

Recent Publications By and About Thomas Merton

We continue with this issue of *The Merton Seasonal* to feature a running bibliography of recently published works by and about Merton. Readers are invited to send items for inclusion in the bibliography to Dr. Paul M. Pearson, Director, Thomas Merton Center, Bellarmine University, 2001 Newburg Rd., Louisville, KY 40205; Phone (502) 272-8177; e-mail: pmpearson@bellarmine.edu.

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A REMINDER:

The deadline for submitting proposals for presentations at the

ITMS Twentieth General Meeting,
June 17-20, 2027 at
Iona University, New Rochelle, NY

is **September 1, 2026**.

Note that proposals addressing the conference theme, "**Thomas Merton and the Spirit of New York: Creativity, Connection and Commitment**," have an increased likelihood of acceptance.

For the complete Call for Presentations, see page 27 of the Spring 2026 issue of *The Merton Seasonal* or the conference website: <https://merton.org/2027/>.