

The Oratory Lecture Series Presents

THE MONOPHYSITE CONTROVERSY: CROSSROADS AT CHALCEDON

THURSDAY,
JAN. 30

6:30pm

Drinks & Snacks

7-8:30pm

Lecture & Discussion



In the early centuries of the Church, the Monophysites (“mono” = one, “physus” = nature) believed that Christ had one nature, a combination of human and divine. Against this view, the Church clarified at the Council of Chalcedon that Christ has two natures, that He is fully human and fully divine.

Monophysites thought they were holding a middle position—a “via media.” St. John Henry Newman, nearing his own conversion to Roman Catholicism, found his “via media” of the Anglican Church in the same situation, not holding to a Christological heresy, but instead holding an errant way of reconciling tensions between Protestantism and Roman Catholicism.

This lecture goes deep in history, so that we can learn the lessons and remain faithful to Christ, true God and true man.

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