The Gospel of Matthew has played a significant role throughout history in teaching the Christian message. Its memorable presentation of the deeds and words of Jesus includes the Sermon on the Mount, the Beatitudes, the Our Father and the Golden Rule. It is the Gospel of the kingdom and of the Church. It also serves as a bridge between the Old and the New Testaments. This seminar will explore the background, themes, and impact of Matthew’s Gospel. It will be of special interest to Core faculty teaching the Journey of Transformation.

Since 1998, the Center for Catholic Studies has provided the opportunity for faculty to reflect in depth on topics central to the Catholic intellectual tradition. This seminar is open to all administrators and faculty. Faculty participants who write a short response-essay will receive a stipend of $300. These essays will be collected and made available online at http://scholarship.shu.edu/catholic-studies/.