Philosophy 5314: Thomas Aquinas on Human Nature

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Office hours: T-Th 11:00-1:00pm; W 2:00-5:00pm

Texts:

1. Quaestiones disputatae de veritate (Paris 1256-9) (=DV)
2. Summa contra gentiles 2.46-90 (Italy 1259-1265) (=SCG)
3. Questiones disputatae de anima (Rome-1265-1266 or perhaps 2nd Paris Regency 1268-72) (=QDA)
4. Summa theologiae 1.75-102 (Rome 1266-8) (=ST)

Requirements: 1) 1 5pp. papers to be delivered in class (must be turned in at the class period preceding the delivery date, with copies to everyone); 2) 1-2pp. response papers to each of the in-class papers (due the date of delivery); 3) 1 question based on the assigned text(s) for the day and quoting from the text(s), starting on 25 August and due on any day where there is no other written assignment due: to be submitted on a 3x5 note card; 4) 1 15-20 pp. paper.

Introduction

23 August

Nature of the Soul

25 August: Materialism ST I, Q. 75, 1; SCG 2.49, 63-5
30 August: Soul as incorporeal ST I, Q. 75, 2-3; SCG 2 50-1; QDA, Q. 1
01 September: Platonic spiritualism ST I, Q. 75, 4; SCG 2 56-7.
Franciscan hylomorphism ST 75.5; QDA 6
06 September: Incorruptibility: ST I, Q. 75, 6; QDA, Q. 14. SCG 78-82; Spiritual substances ST 75.7; QDA 7; SCG 2 91

Soul-Body Union

08 September: Soul as substantial form: ST 76.1; QDA 1; SCG 56, 68-70
13 September: Contra Muslim theory of one cosmic intellect ST 76.2; QDA 2, 3; SCG 73-8
15 September: Contra Franciscan plurality of forms/souls ST 76.3-4; QDA 11; SCG 58.
20 September: Human soul and human body ST 76.5; QDA 8. Intermediaries between soul and body? ST 76.6-7; QDA 9; SCG 71. Soul suffuses the whole body ST 76.8; QDA 10; SCG 72
Powers of the Soul

22 September: Distinguishing “power” and “essence”: ST 77.1; QDA 12; “Powers”: ST 77.2-4, 5-6; QDA 1

27 September: Interior sense powers: ST 78.3-4; QDA 13

29 September: Exterior sense powers: ST 78.4; QDA 13

04 October: Possible intellect: ST 79.1-2; QDA 3; SCG 59, 73-5

06 October: Agent intellect: ST 79.3-5; QDA 4-5; SCG 76-8.

10-11 October: Fall Break


18 October: Appetite: Sense Appetite: ST 80.1-2; DV 25. 1, 3; ST 81.1-3; DV 25.1-4.


Intellectual Acts

27 October: Knowing Bodies: The Intelligible Species: ST 84.1-4; DV 10.2,4,6.

01 November: Knowing Bodies: The Intelligible Species 2: ST 84.5 -6; DV 10.1,6,8. ST 84.7-8; DV12.3.

03 November: No class

08 November: Knowing Bodies: Producing the Intelligible Species: ST 85.1-4; DV 2.4-6, 8.14.

10 November: Knowing Bodies: Using the Intelligible Species: ST 85.5-8; DV 1.12.

15 November: Knowing singulars, infinites, contingents, and futures: ST 1.86.1-4; DV 5.6, 10.5, 8.12.

17 November: Knowing the self: ST 1.87.1-4; DV 8.6, 10.8.

22- 25 November: Thanksgiving Break


Conclusion:

01 December: Aquinas on Genesis: ST I QQ 90-102