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## **Islam and Catholicism: Two Faiths, Two Perspectives**

**A PRESENTATION**

**By**

**Andrew Bieszad**

Muslims and Catholics comprise two of the world's three monotheistic religions that share belief in one God. There are differences in these two faiths, however, in how that belief is expressed. So what is Islamic theology, how does it compare with Catholic teaching, and how do our respective beliefs shape our view about each other? On Sunday, September 12, 2010, at the Church of St. Thomas More, **Andrew Bieszad**, a scholar of Islamic studies, will explore the theological differences in beliefs between Islam and Catholicism, their respective meanings and their significance for today.

**Mr. Bieszad** has conducted educational seminars on Islam since 2007. Two of his articles that touch on aspects of the theological differences of the faiths have been published - *Church Honors Lebanese Civil War Martyrs* (Cedar News, July 13, 2008) and *The Secular Islam Summit Conference Report* (TELOS, Summer 2007). He previously served as an Islam and Catholic-Muslim relations advisor to the National Catholic Students Coalition - the American branch of Pax Romana.

**Andrew Bieszad** speaks Arabic and has a Master's Degree from Hartford Seminary in Islamic Studies. He is currently working on publishing his Thesis.

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**at 3:00 PM**

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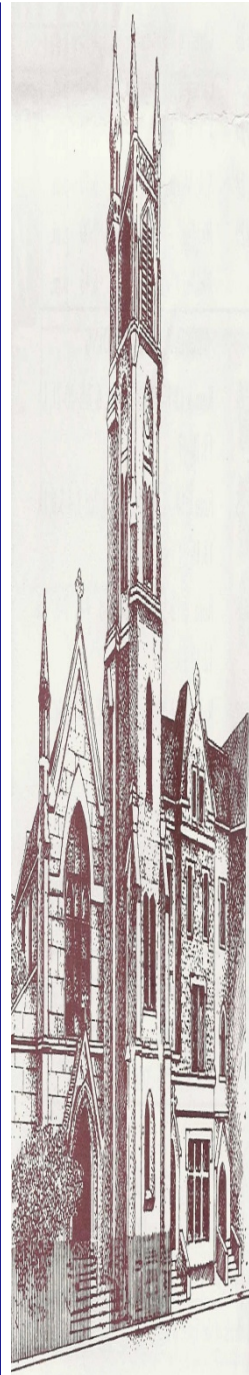
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