

# THE WHOLE in the FRAGMENT

Sacramental  
versus  
Contractual Logic

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## The Question of Trinitarian Ontology

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### DESCRIPTION

This short course will seek to approach the question of Trinitarian Ontology. Do we have an adequately Christian account of reality that regards it as created in the image of the Trinitarian God? Do we accord enough metaphysical primacy to love, relationality and emergence? First of all it will be asked what is a thing in general? Then it will be asked what is spirit, a conscious thing? After that we will consider Augustine's answers to those questions and his articulation of a Trinitarian Ontology. Finally we will look at this question as it has been reconsidered in our own day.

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- Seminar 1 Reality: what is a thing and what makes a whole?
- Seminar 2 Spirit: what is a subject and how is it united?
- Seminar 3 Sacramental and Trinitarian Onto-logic in Augustine
- Seminar 4 Trinitarian Ontology today

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