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Symposium Program

November 19 th , 2025

08:00 pm	Dinner / Restaurant “Antico Pozzo” – Vicolo della Sat, 6
	Bette Jacobs and Lucia Galvagni, Welcome

November 20 th , 2025 | Aula Piccola – FBK, via S. Croce, 77 – Trento

09:30 – 10:00 am	Bette Jacobs – Introduction
10:00 – 11:00 am	Therese Lysaught – Summary of the Pontifical Academy for Life Meeting “AI and Medicine” (10-12 November 2025)
11:30 am – 01:30 pm	Sr. Leah, Sr. Mary, Sr. Beena, Father Matthew – Updates on Local Communities
03:00 – 04:30 pm	Local Commitment and Technology Challenges
04:45 – 05:30 pm	Summary on Human Dignity

November 21st, 2025 | Aula Piccola – FBK, via S. Croce, 77 – Trento

09:30 – 09.50 am	Massimo Leone – Welcome to FBK
09.50 – 10.15 am	Bette Jacobs – Recap
10:15 – 11:00 am	Infrastructures: National and Local Health Systems, Collaborations, Workforce, Logistics
11:30 am – 01:30 pm	Patient Centered Practice and Community Needs
03:00 – 04:30 pm	Healthcare Financing: Current and Future
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Hosts



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Bette Jacobs



*Fondazione Bruno Kessler |
Center for religious Studies*

Massimo Leone

Steering Committee

- Georgetown University | Bette Jacobs
- Creighton University | Kevin FitzGerald
- Loyola University Chicago | M. Therese Lysaught
- Fondazione Bruno Kessler | Lucia Galvagni

Participants

- Catholic Health Association of India (CHAI) | Fr. Mathew Abraham Putenchirayil
- Catholic Health Association (CHA) of the US | Bruce Compton
- Fondazione Bruno Kessler | Massimo Leone
- Religious Congregation of the Sisters of Mercy | Sister Mary Okumu
- Salesian Sisters Nursing College – Bangladesh | Sister Leah Dolina Drong
- Sisters Doctors Forum India | Sister Beena Madavath



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Location

Fondazione Bruno Kessler (FBK)
Humanistic Hub | Aula Piccola
Via Santa Croce, 77
38122 Trento
<https://isr.fbk.eu/en/>

Lodging

Hotel Venezia
Via Rodolfo Belenzani, n. 70
38122 Trento

Welcome dinner

Ristorante Antico Pozzo
Vicolo della Sat, n. 6
38122 Trento

Other dinners

Ristorante Orso Grigio
Via degli Orti, 19
38122 Trento

Ristorante Lo Scrigno del Duomo
Piazza del Duomo, n. 29
38122 Trento



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List of Readings

Discussion Readings

1. Ivan **Efreaim A. Gozum**, Chastene Christopher D. **Flake**, “Integrating Catholic Social Teaching with AI Ethics to Address Inequity in AI Healthcare”, *Journal of Religion and Health* 6 (2024), pp. 4323–4341
2. Dhruv **Khullar**, “If A.I. Can Diagnose Patients, What Are Doctors For? Large language models are transforming medicine—but the technology comes with side effects”, *The New Yorker* September 22, 2025
3. **Hastings Center**, “Committing to Making New Medical Technologies Available Globally”, *Hastings Center News* November 5, 2025
4. Edmund **Pellegrino**, “The Healing Relationship: The Architectonics of Clinical Medicine”, in R.J. Bulger, J.P. McGovern (eds), *Physician and Philosopher. The Philosophical Foundation of Medicine. Essays by E. Pellegrino*, Carden Jennings Publisher, Charlottesville 2001, pp. 80–94
5. Edmund **Pellegrino**, “The Virtuous Physician and the Ethics of Medicine”, in R.J. Bulger, J.P. McGovern (eds), *Physician and Philosopher...*, pp. 99–112
6. Edmund **Pellegrino**, “The Book of Job”, in R.J. Bulger, J.P. McGovern (eds), *Physician and Philosopher...*, pp. 179–190
7. **The Initiative on Catholic Social Thought and Public Life**, “Pope Leo XIV’s New Challenge and Moral Leadership on Poverty, Work, and Artificial Intelligence”, Georgetown University, October 30, 2025 – Available at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=638vQDOu5-Q>

Supported Readings

1. E. **Pellegrino**, “The Relationship of Theory and Praxis in the Philosophy and Ethics of Medicine”, in R.J. Bulger, J.P. McGovern (eds), *Physician and Philosopher...*, pp. 66–71
2. E. **Pellegrino**, “The Anatomy of Clinical Judgements. Some Notes on Right Reason and Right Action”, in R.J. Bulger, J.P. McGovern (eds), *Physician and Philosopher...*, pp. 130–149
3. Paul **Kalanithi**, *When Breath Becomes Air*, Random House, New York 2016
4. **World Health Organization**, *Ethics and governance of artificial intelligence for health: Guidance on large multi-modal models*, 25 March 2025