

# **COURSE SYLLABUS**

**for**

## **FUNDAMENTALS OF CANON LAW**

### **COURSE DESCRIPTION:**

This course serves as an introduction to the Code of Canon Law for the Latin Church. Students will examine the role of law in the life of the Church, the history of canon law, particular canons relative to the interpretation of ecclesiastical law, and a systematic analysis of the canonical structures of government existing within the Church.

### **COURSE METHODOLOGY:**

Class sessions consist primarily of lectures on the pertinent canons along with the opportunity of questions and discussion.

### **COURSE REQUIREMENTS:**

Students are expected to attend all class sessions. They are also expected to participate actively in class discussions. It is imperative that students take notes during the lectures.

There will be one examination. Grades are determined according to the following percentage:

Final Exam:	80%
Class Participation:	20%

### **TEXT:**

Code of Canon Law: *Latin English Edition* Canon Law Society of America  
Washington, D.C. 20064