

Preliminary Program

The Liturgical Tradition of the Eastern Catholics: A Concealed Talent?

**International Conference
19–20 November 2026
Eichstätt, Germany**

Thursday, 19 November 2026

14:00–14:30 — Opening of the Conference

Rector Prof. Dr Andriy Mykhaleyko, Collegium Orientale; Fr Roman Fihas; Fr Thomas Kremer

14:30–18:30 — Session I

Historical Dimension: Latinization and De-Latinization

14:30–15:15 — Thomas Kremer (Eichstätt)

Latinization as a Concept: Its Origins, Development, and Uses

15:15–16:00 — Przemysław Nowakowski (Kraków)

Eastern Catholic Responses to Latinization: Acceptance, Adaptation, Resistance, and Discernment

16:30–17:15 — Thomas Mark Németh (Vienna)

De-Latinization in the Twentieth Century: Canonical Foundations and Liturgical Implementation

17:15–18:00 — Vincent van Vessel (Baghdad)

Why Did the Chaldean Patriarchs Choose to Latinize Their Eastern Rite and Later Seek to Purify It in Light of Their Original Tradition? The History of the Chaldean Church from the Sixteenth Century to the Present

20:00–21:00 — Lecture-Concert

The Musical Heritage of the Isolated Greek Catholic Parish of Cargèse, Corsica

Introduction to the church music research project in Eichstätt, followed by a performance of sacred chants by the Collegium Orientale Choir

Friday, 20 November 2026

07:00–08:15 — Divine Liturgy in the Syro-Malankara Rite

In German and Malayalam; Collegium Orientale Chapel

09:00–12:40 — Session II

Ecumenical Dimension: Preservation, Borrowing, and Mutual Exchange

09:00–09:40 — Elias Haslwanter (Washington)

Latin Elements in Contemporary Orthodox Worship

09:40–10:20 — Vasyl Rudeiko (Lviv)

What Greek Catholics Have Preserved: Liturgical Memory as an Ecumenical Resource

10:50–11:30 — Antoine Fleyfel (Paris)

Preservation and Reform in the Non-Byzantine Eastern Catholic Churches: A Maronite Perspective

11:30–12:10 — Lidiya Lozova (Lviv)

Lviv Icon Painting School and contemporary trends in Orthodox iconography

12:10–12:40 — Discussion

13:50–17:00 — Session III

Contemporary Ecclesiological and Pastoral Dimensions

13:50–14:30 — Charbel Nassief (Beirut)

Reflections on the Renewal of the Melkite Greek Catholic Liturgy (working title)

14:30–15:10 — Mark Morozowich (Washington)

Renewal through a Return to the Sources: The History and Limits of Ressourcement

15:40–16:20 — Eduard Berdnyk (Lviv)

Returning to Tradition in the Eastern Catholic Churches: A Resource or a Limitation?

16:20–17:00 — Rostyslav Myrosh (Lviv)

The Eucharistic Dimension of the Sacrament of Matrimony in the Byzantine Tradition

17:00–17:45 — Concluding Discussion

The Eastern Catholic Liturgical Tradition as a Resource for Ecumenism and Contemporary Church Life

18:00–19:00 — Great Vespers for the Feast of the Entrance of the Most Holy Theotokos into the Temple

Byzantine Rite in German; Collegium Orientale Chapel