



## Learning Event: Jesus and the Jewish Roots of Mary

Why do Catholics say that Mary was sinless, when the Bible says, “all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God”? And do we believe that Mary was assumed into heaven, when the Bible says nothing about it? Most important of all, why do Catholics give Mary so much honor? Is the Catholic veneration of Mary really “idolatry”?

Get the answers to these questions and more when you join us for a learning event on Thursday, May 22nd from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. in the Old White Church (217 S. Church Street, Wauconda) for a video presentation by Dr. Brant Pitre called “Jesus and the Jewish Roots of Mary.” In this presentation, Dr. Pitre will shine the light of the Old Testament on Mary, the mother of Jesus. He shows how three ancient Jewish images help us to understand our Catholic beliefs about Mary:

- **The New Eve:** If Jesus is the new Adam, then who is the New Eve? What are the implications of Mary’s identity as the New Eve for the dogma of the Immaculate Conception?
- **Ark of the Covenant:** If Jesus is the new Manna from heaven, then where is the New Ark? Dr. Pitre shows how Jewish beliefs about the lost Ark of the Covenant give profound revelations into who Mary is and her bodily Assumption into heaven.
- **The New Queen Mother:** If Jesus is the new Davidic King, then who is the new Queen? In the Old Testament, the Queen wasn’t the king’s wife, but his mother. Dr. Pitre shows how Mary’s identity as “Queen Mother” is the key for unlocking Catholic devotion to her, and the difference between honoring Mary and worshipping God.

If you are looking to understand the biblical roots of Catholic beliefs about Mary, the Mother of God, then look no further: *Jesus and the Jewish Roots of Mary* is the perfect presentation for yourself or a friend or family member who wants to understand what the Bible really teaches about the Virgin from Nazareth.

Please register using the QR Code below, or text Vicki Peloquin at 847.997.7350.

