FLANNERY LECTURE IN CATHOLIC THEOLOGY Tuesday April 4, 2023, 5:00 PM

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FEATURING

Marcel Uwineza, S.J. (Rwanda)

Principle, Hekima University College (Kenya)

"Theology from a Place of Wounds: Lessons from the Mirror Church in Rwanda"

About the Speaker

Marcel Uwineza, S.J. (Ph.D. Systematic Theology, Boston College) is Principle at Hekima University College, Nairobi, Kenya. He is author of *Risen from the Ashes* (2022), *Healing a Wounded People* (2023) and co-editor of *Reinventing Theology in Post-Genocide Rwanda* (2023). In 2019 he addressed the United Nations General Assembly.

About the Lecture

Theology ought to start from wounds. It ought to remember Nyamata and Ntarama, two of the six churches that are now memorial sites for the thousands killed and buried there. Uwineza offers five perspectives of what it means to reinvent theology from places of wounds. In every place where churches have been silent and complicit when the body of Christ is broken, Rwanda's "dry bones" put the reality in our face that Christian mission is not primarily about development services, good as these may be, but essentially about transforming people's identities.

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