



Call for Papers

A Multidisciplinary Approach to Ageing: Conceptions, Flourishing, and Challenges for Church and Civil Society

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This special edition of *Solidarity* calls for papers addressing the ethical issues associated with ageing from within the fields of Moral Philosophy, Moral and Pastoral Theology, Law, and Healthcare.

Questions/topics for discussion could include but are not limited to:

- Conceptions of ageing: What does it mean to age?; What meaning do we assign to the phenomenon of ageing?; What worth is and ought to be assigned to old age?; Is it possible to age authentically?; Cultural perspectives and Indigenous conceptions of old age and ageing; Ageing and Intergenerational communion.
- Flourishing: What is it to flourish in old age?; What place does faith/spirituality play in old age?; The meaning of leisure and activity for the ageing; The meaning of time for the ageing; Notions of wisdom and respect and their interaction in the context of old age; The contributions of the ageing to society; The experience of joy in ageing.
- Challenges for Church and Civil Society: What does protection for the elderly mean, and why should they be protected?; The problem of elder abuse; Dealing with the ageing process (facing illness, disability, suffering, and loss of control); The provision of appropriate and adequate facilities for the elderly; The provision of palliative care services; Societal and economic ramifications of employment of an ageing population; Ageism and Stereotyping: Challenging stereotypes in the interests of living an authentic life; The philosophical and practical responses of the Catholic Church regarding ageing.

Abstracts of 100-300 words, accompanied with a current Curriculum Vitae, are to be emailed to *Solidarity* at sydney.solidarity@nd.edu.au by 15 March 2017.