

Ethical Encounters 2026

Fall Semester Programming

These programs seek to connect each year's Royal read book to local issues and realities. In 2026, Searching for God at Ground Zero is an occasion for reflection at the 25th Anniversary of 9/11. Author Father James Martin, S.J. highlights themes of charity, hope, and grace and so we too will consider where we find these ethical values- and where they have been missing- in the experiences of American Muslims and in the work of first responders in the post 9-11 context.

These co-curricular FYC (first-year seminar) events, supported by Ethics Across the Curriculum, are immersive and dialogic. Students will engage with communities and leaders in off-campus settings with opportunities to engage in conversation. Transportation will be provided to the Islamic Center and the Scranton Fire Department is walkable in Downtown Scranton.

Muslim-American Experiences Post 9-11: A Visit to the Islamic Center of Scranton and Discussion with Members

Islamic Center of Scranton

Thursday, October 1st
5:30 PM-7:00 PM

RSVP HERE:



<https://cglink.me/2rM/s2165>

First Responders and the Post 9-11 Context: A Tour of the Scranton Fire Department Headquarters and Q&A with Chief John Judge

Scranton Fire Department:

Friday, November 6th
Friday November 13th
3:30 PM-5:00 PM

RSVP HERE:



<https://cglink.me/2rM/s2168>

Space is limited for each event.