

A DAY TO DISMEMBER

On March 7th, 1277, Bishop Stephen Tempier of Paris condemned Aquinas. What happened then to Aquinas's massive effort at understanding? I mused on that in the Prologue to *The Everlasting Joy of Being Human*, and pattered on there about the fate of Lonergan's shocking spectrum of understanding. Might it be better if Lonergan were condemned instead of being now damned with faint greys?

So I will tweet in a bird-den of the Tree of Life, and I do hope that a paralleling with Trumping tweets proves meaningless. But I feel the need to fulfill the two tasks of foundations—fantasy and cycle-acceleration—in a rambling fashion throughout these next sixteen years. The full run would put me two years older than Billy Graham at departure: well, we'll just have to wait and see. But I thought of a needed full run of sixteen years in my present grounded pessimism regarding a previous hope of Lonergan studies arriving at some beginning of a 2020 vision in the corresponding year, 2020. Is the pessimism grounded? Prove me wrong please! I intend to speak on the Lonergan 1833 text at the Los Angeles Lonergan meeting April 19th–21st. Will I be “an effective and resolute intervention in this historical process”? I doubt it. But suppose I continue tweeting, helpfully and annoyingly, for a decade or more?