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## Guest Lecture

# God as Thou and Prayer as Dialogue: Martin Buber's Tools for Reconciliation

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Prof. Dr. Alexandre Guilherme is the Coordinator of the Research Group on Education and Violence at the Pontificia Universidade Catolica do Rio Grande do Sul, PUCRS, Brazil. His lecture provides an in-depth study into the different forms of 'Prayer'- as some are vocal and articulate and others are only mental in nature. Guilherme analyses the basis of Martin Buber's philosophy, particularly his conception of God as Thou the understanding of 'prayer'. He argues that Buber's understanding of 'prayer' as dialogue serves as a way for the individual to seek reconciliation with him- or herself with others and with God.

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**12:00 – 13:30**

**Education Building, Room 570, 5th Floor**

The discussion will be held in English and will be open to the public

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