The “Gift” of Modernity -- Cyril O’Regan (April 5, 2017)

[1] Introduction: The Two Senses of Gift
   (1) Straightforward sense: benefit
   (2) Non-Straightforward sense: double: benefit and trouble

   (1) Cheerers: Pre-Reflective Affirmers of Modernity as gift
   (2) Weepers: Pre-Reflective Rejecters of Modernity as gift
   (3) Shadow-Seers: Pre-Reflective Grasp of Ambiguity and doubleness of Modernity: Gift and Poison

   (1) Philosophy: Jürgen Habermas
   (2) Liberal Protestant Theology: Catholic Modernism

   (1) Philosophy: Martin Heidegger: Alasdair MacIntyre
   (2) Theology: Vatican 1: Aeterni Patris

   (1) Philosophy: Charles Taylor: Jacques Derrida
   (2) Theology: Register 1: Pope Francis: Pope Benedict XVI: Johann Baptist Metz
   (3) Theology: Register 2: Henri de Lubac: Hans Urs von Balthasar

[6] Concluding Remarks