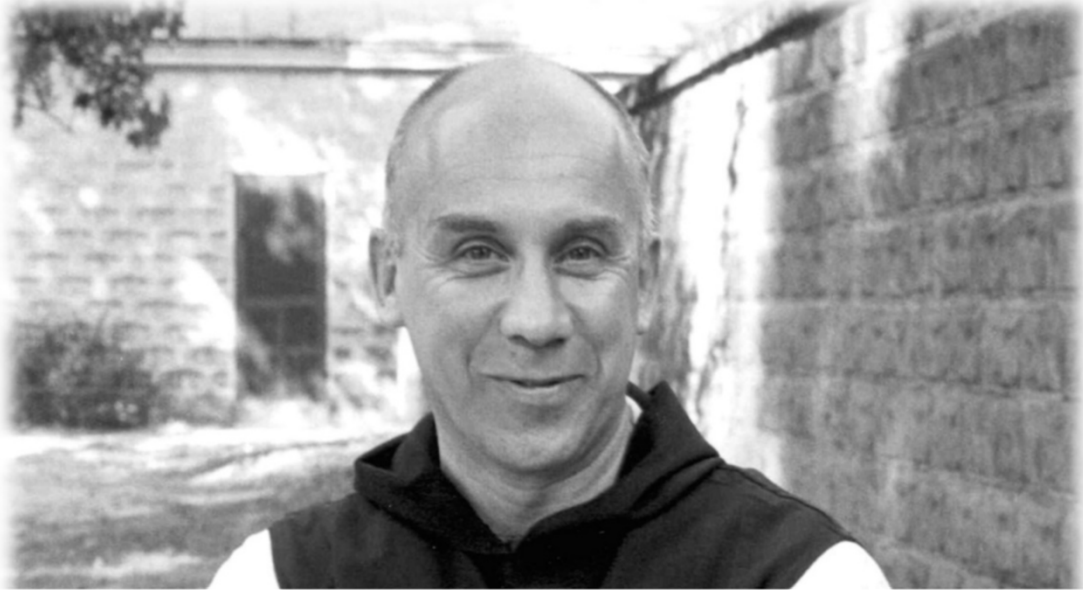


“St. John of the Cross Explains In Considerable Detail The Purification Of The Soul By The Infused Light Of God.”



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Trappist monk Thomas Merton (1915-1968) was one of the world's most widely read, talked about, and beloved authors, poets, contemplatives, and spiritual teachers.

So keen were Merton's insights, so powerful his words, that, 50 years after his untimely death, his books are still being talked about in churches, coffee shops, small groups, university campuses, bookstores, and homes.

The Grand Rapids chapter of the International Thomas Merton Society formed in May of 2016 to discuss the life and works of Fr. Louis. We meet the second Wednesday of every month at Baker Book House on East Paris near 28th Street.

In our November 14th meeting we'll discuss Chapters 7 and 8 in Merton's book *The Inner Experience*, which still might be available at (or ordered from) Baker Book House.

Come join us...and discover why Thomas Merton is more popular today than ever before – with Protestants, Catholics, and seekers from all walks of life and faith traditions.

We are open to the public and free of charge.

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