

THE CALENDAR MEMORY: CONTINUITY AND SIGNIFICANCE OF ASTROLOGY IN THE ECCLESIAL TRADITION

In the paper, Zodiac is considered to be the basic model of historical remembrance whose anamnesis concerns the ecclesial calendar. The computing of Easter corresponds to the mindful heart prayer, which makes the zodiacal model a fundamental trait of the hesychastic feat. It represents a link between Heaven and Earth, designating cosmic wisdom which is the principle of a primordial personality.

Modern religiosity rejects astrology for the same reason as the modern science does, coinciding in that manner to extended arm of such an ideology. The focus of investigating astrology is therefore put onto a premodern tradition whose paradigm is the ecclesial calendar which is a memory matrix. Astrology in the ecclesial tradition has been corroborated by numerous and diverse instances which are reliable evidence of an everlasting persistence.

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