“Moving Beyond Belief: poems and stories in conversation with Catholicism” will feature poetry readings by Pádraig Ó Tuama and Marie Howe. A discussion will follow about writing through a Catholic lens, the transformative power of poetry, and giving voice through poetry to groups that are living on the margins of the Church.

Pádraig Ó Tuama is a theologian, poet, and author of several collections, including *Sorry for Your Troubles*. In his memoir, *In the Shelter*, he wrote about the paradox of being gay and Catholic. He is the former leader of the Corrymeela Community, which is Northern Ireland’s oldest peace and reconciliation community.

Marie Howe’s *What the Living Do* chronicles a Catholic childhood and her brother’s death from AIDS. She is an acclaimed poet and teacher, and the author of three additional volumes of poetry, including *The Kingdom of Ordinary Time* and *Magdalene*. From 2012-2014, Howe served as the Poet Laureate of New York.