Christian doctrine, rituals, and prohibitions about the body and the flesh will be explored on Monday, May 1, in a UCSB Affiliates "Spirituality & Culture" lecture by Daniel Bornstein, a visiting professor in UC Santa Barbara's Department of Religious Studies.

Titled "Relics, Ascetics, and Living Saints in Medieval Christianity: Holy Bodies, Sacred Flesh," the lecture will begin at 7:30 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church Fellowship Hall, 21 East Constance Ave., Santa Barbara.

Tickets are $8 for UCSB Affiliates and Chancellor's Council members, $10 for others.

Contact the UCSB Office of Community Relations at 893-4388 to register, as space is limited.

Bornstein, a professor at Texas A&M University, is the J. E. and Lillian Byrne Tipton Distinguished Visiting Professor at UCSB this quarter.

A historian of medieval and Renaissance Italy, he studies the role of religion in everyday life.

Bornstein is currently writing a book on religion, culture, and society in medieval Cortona.
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