'Jesus and Judaism' to be topic of lecture

Dr. Amy-Jill Levine, an orthodox Jew and an authority on the historical Jesus, will give the annual Dunning Lecture at St. Mary's Seminary and University in Roland Park on Oct. 22 at 7:30 p.m.

Dr. Levine's topic will be "Jesus and Judaism: The Connection Still Matters." The lecture is sponsored by the seminary's Ecumenical Institute of Theology, which is preparing to celebrate its 40th anniversary.

Dr. Levine is the Carpenter Professor of New Testament Studies in the Divinity School, the Department of Religious Studies, and the Graduate Department of Religion at Vanderbilt University in Nashville, Tennessee. She has held office in the Society of Biblical Literature, the Catholic Biblical Association, and the Association for Jewish Studies. Her 2006 book The Misunderstood Jew: The Church and the Scandal of the Jewish Jesus (HarperOne) will be the subject of her lecture.

The free lecture is open to the public and will be preceded by a book signing. For more information, call 410-864-4200 or visit www.stmarys.edu/ei.