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### **Awards, Honors and Appointments**

- ❖ **Justin M. Anderson, Ph.D.**, Associate Professor of Moral Theology, and **Ellen R. Scully, Ph.D.**, Associate Professor of Undergraduate Theology, were awarded a \$3,000 Curriculum Development Initiative Assessment Grant by the Seton Hall University Assessment Center, on October 17, 2016, to work collaboratively on the creation of institutional and educational assessment plans for Immaculate Conception Seminary School of Theology.
  
- ❖ **Very Reverend John J. Chadwick, K.H.S., S.T.D.**, Rector of Saint Andrew's College Seminary and Adjunct Professor of Systematic Theology, was invested into the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem during a Mass and ceremony at St. Patrick's Cathedral, New York City, on November 18, 2016.

- ❖ **Very Reverend John J. Cryan, K.H.S., M.Div.**, Director of Pastoral Formation, was invested into the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem during a Mass and ceremony at St. Patrick's Cathedral, New York City, on November 18, 2016.
  
- ❖ **Justin M. Anderson, Ph.D.**, Associate Professor of Moral Theology, was awarded the Provost's Summer Grant for developing and launching a Summer online course on *Christian Decision-Making*, for May-June 2017. The course is being developed during Spring 2017 with support from Seton Hall University's Teaching, Learning and Technology Center.

## Speaking Engagements

- ❖ **Justin M. Anderson, Ph.D.**, Associate Professor of Moral Theology, presented "A Catholic at the Polls: On the Coming Election." Lecture on the issue of conscience and how to navigate the coming presidential election, at St. Catherine Parish, Glen Rock, NJ, on October 18, 2016.
  
- ❖ **Deacon Andrew E. Saunders, M.A. '08**, Director, Center for Diaconal Formation, was interviewed on *Relevant Radio* (1430 AM), on the topic of the Vocation of the Deacon and the Diaconate Convocation held at Seton Hall University on November 5, 2016. The interview was conducted on November 3, 2016.
  
- ❖ **Dianne M. Traflet, J.D. '88, S.T.D.**, Associate Dean for Graduate Studies and Administration, Assistant Professor of Pastoral Theology, and Director, Institute for Christian Spirituality, presented the following:

- “St. Edith Stein and the Mystery of Christmas.” Talk, at Sacred Heart Parish, Clifton, NJ, on December 6, 2016.
- “Our Pilgrimage of Faith: Inspiration from Mary and Joseph in Seeking the Face of Christ in Challenging and Dark Times.” Advent Reflection, at St. Jude Parish, Hopatcong, NJ, on December 9, 2016.

❖ **Jeffrey L. Morrow, Ph.D.**, Associate Professor of Undergraduate Theology:

- Was interviewed online and quoted in the Coming Home Network International’s blog article [“What Do You Remember About Your First Mass?”](#) The interview took place on January 9, 2017.
- Is presenting *Why Do Catholics...???* Three-part lecture series on Catholic apologetics, at St. Lawrence Parish, Chester, NJ. The series has included the following lectures thus far:
  - “My Conversion Story” (story of Dr. Morrow’s conversion to Catholicism). February 3, 2017.
  - “Response to Questions” (responses to questions on Creation, the Crusades, the Inquisition, Confession, and Purgatory). February 10, 2017.
- Was interviewed for three episodes of “Soul of Seton Podcast,” for Seton Hall University Campus Ministry, at Seton Hall University, South Orange, NJ, on February 14, 2017. The topics of the episodes were:
  - “Why Is the Bible Full of Fairy Tales?” (regarding Jesus’ Resurrection and why it is not simply a fairy tale).
  - “The Jewish Roots of Catholicism” (with a particular focus on the Eucharist).
  - “How Did That Get in the Bible?” (regarding the canonization process of Scripture).

- ❖ **Gregory Y. Glazov, D.Phil. (Oxon.)**, Professor of Biblical Studies, presented a lecture followed by a book-signing, in celebration of the publication of the new book that he edited and translated, [\*The Burning Bush: Writings on Jews and Judaism\*](#), in Immaculate Conception Seminary's Chapel of Christ the Good Shepherd, at Seton Hall University, South Orange, NJ, on February 8, 2017.

## Special Events

- ❖ From December 2015 through November 2016, in celebration of the Extraordinary Jubilee of Mercy declared by Pope Francis, Immaculate Conception Seminary School of Theology offered a series of retreats titled *70 x 7: Faith, Family, and Forgiveness, Part III: Developing a Heart of Mercy* and a series of lectures bearing the same title. The retreats and lectures considered the power of forgiveness and mercy through the inspiring lens of Scripture, great books, music and film. Each of the seven retreat days and each of the seven evening lectures was designed to lead participants on a transformative journey of forgiveness from spiritual imprisonment to true freedom, so that they may be able, in the words of Pope Francis, to “contemplate the Face of Mercy,” Jesus Christ, and to experience “the joy of forgiveness.”

**Dianne M. Traflet, J.D. '88, S.T.D.**, Associate Dean for Graduate Studies and Administration, Assistant Professor of Pastoral Theology, and Director, Institute for Christian Spirituality, served as moderator for the retreats and the lectures. ICSST offered the following not-previously-reported lecture in this series: “Cooking up a Merciful Heart: A Recipe from Dickens’ *A Christmas Carol*.” By **Gregory Y. Glazov, D.Phil. (Oxon.)**, Professor of Biblical Studies, at Assumption Parish, Morristown, NJ, on November 17, 2016.

## Mission and Service

- ❖ **Justin M. Anderson, Ph.D.**, Associate Professor of Moral Theology:
  - Continues service as director of *Amplificamus*: ICSST Faculty Collaborative Working Group, coordinating colleagues' scholarly presentations each semester. *Amplificamus* is an informal, scholarly faculty collaborative group, which aims to “enlarge,” “extend” and “develop” ICSST faculty members' own intellectual and scholarly development, meeting bi-semesterly in ICSST's Lewis Hall. In this group, faculty members take turns presenting their current research, in progress or completed, to fellow faculty from a variety of scholarly backgrounds. This task is one of the greatest services the faculty can render to God, one another and the Church, to which an alternative denotation of the Latin “*amplificamus*” also bears witness when its meaning becomes “to praise loudly.”
  - Presented the following:
    - “Virtues of Christian Life.” Lectures, for the Missionaries of Charity, Plainfield, NJ, on the following dates:
      - October 11, 2016.
      - November 22, 2016.
      - December 6, 2016.
      - January 10, 2017.
      - January 24, 2017.
    - “Sacrament of Confirmation.” Lecture, for the RCIA group at St. Teresa of Avila Parish, Summit, NJ, on January 29, 2017.

- ❖ **Patrick R. Manning, Ph.D.**, Assistant Professor of Pastoral Theology:
  - Served as a guest lecturer for Monsignor Richard Liddy’s undergraduate-level course CAST/CORE 3749 NA: *Philosophy, Theology, and Lonergan*, at Seton Hall University, South Orange, NJ, on November 28, 2016. Dr. Manning lectured on causes for widespread loss of meaning in postmodernity and possible strategies for recovering meaning.
  - Presented “The Sacrament of Matrimony.” Lecture, for the RCIA group at Little Flower Church, Berkeley Heights, NJ, on February 5, 2017.
  
- ❖ **Reverend Christopher M. Ciccarino, S.S.L., S.T.D.**, Associate Dean for Seminary and Academic Studies and Assistant Professor of Biblical Studies, **Reverend Pablo T. Gadenz, S.S.L., S.T.D.**, Associate Professor of Biblical Studies, **Reverend Frederick L. Miller, S.T.D.**, Adjunct Professor of Systematic Theology, and **Reverend James P. Platania, S.S.L.**, Assistant Professor of Biblical Studies, led a group of 24 seminarians from Immaculate Conception Seminary on a pilgrimage to the Holy Land from December 27, 2016-January 8, 2017, lecturing at the biblical sites and celebrating Mass at the shrines marking events in the life of Jesus.
  
- ❖ **Jeffrey L. Morrow, Ph.D.**, Associate Professor of Undergraduate Theology, presented “Reverence for the Word and the Dogma of Scriptural Inspiration.” Formation Conference for the seminarians of the College Seminary of the Immaculate Conception at St. Andrew’s Hall, Seton Hall University, South Orange, NJ, on February 12, 2017.

## Publications

- ❖ **Justin M. Anderson, Ph.D.**, Associate Professor of Moral Theology, published a journal article: “The Hermeneutical Function of the Family in Right Understanding of Catholic Social Teaching and its Use for Catholic University Education.” *Journal of Catholic Higher Education* 35, no. 2 (Summer 2016): 119-32.
  
- ❖ **Jeffrey L. Morrow, Ph.D.**, Associate Professor of Undergraduate Theology, published the following:
  - An article-length book review of *Politicizing the Bible: The Roots of Historical Criticism and the Secularization of Scripture 1300-1700*, by Scott W. Hahn and Benjamin Wiker. *Nova et Vetera* 14, no. 4 (2016): 1293-1340. The review is titled “Averroism, Nominalism, and Mechanization: Hahn and Wiker’s Unmasking of Historical Criticism’s Political Agenda by Laying Bare its Philosophical Roots.”
  - An online magazine article: [“On Biblical Scholarship and Bias.”](#) *The Bible and Interpretation* (December 2016).
  - Two online book reviews:
    - Review of *Una Biblia a varias voces: Estudio textual de la Biblia Políglota Complutense*, co-edited by Ignacio Carbajosa and Andrés García Serrano. *Review of Biblical Literature* (February 2017).
    - Review of *Jesús en la Carta als Hebreus: Una cristologia de matriu jueva*, by Jordi Cervera I. Valls. *Review of Biblical Literature* (February 2017).
  - A book-length organized annotated bibliography including introductory material: *Catholic Apologetics Resources*. Mason, OH: Principium Institute, 2017.

## Conferences, Meetings, and Symposia

- ❖ **Patrick R. Manning, Ph.D.**, Assistant Professor of Pastoral Theology, presented “Fostering Hope Through Vision and Practices.” Poster presentation, at the Religious Education Association conference, in Pittsburgh, PA, on November 4, 2016.
  
- ❖ **Reverend Monsignor Thomas G. Guarino, K.H.S., S.T.D.**, Professor of Systematic Theology, presented “Vatican II: Corruption or Development? An Examination.” Paper, at the “Catholicism and Modernity Seminar,” at Columbia University, New York City, on November 17, 2016.
  
- ❖ **Jeffrey L. Morrow, Ph.D.**, Associate Professor of Undergraduate Theology:
  - Participated in the following:
    - Annual meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature, in San Antonio, TX, from November 18-21, 2016.
    - Annual meeting of the American Academy of Religion, in San Antonio, TX, from November 18-21, 2016.
    - Scripture and Hermeneutics Seminar, sponsored by St. Paul Center for Biblical Theology and the St. George’s Centre for Biblical and Public Theology, in San Antonio, TX, from November 18-20, 2016.
  - Presented “*La Religion* in Loisy: A Look at Alfred Loisy’s Use of ‘*La Religion*’ in the Context of the History of Religion.” Invited paper, at the annual meeting of *La Société Internationale d’Études sur Alfred Loisy*, in San Antonio, TX, on November 20, 2016.



- ❖ **Reverend Monsignor Thomas G. Guarino, K.H.S., S.T.D.**, Professor of Systematic Theology, co-chaired a meeting of the bi-lateral ecumenical group Evangelicals and Catholics Together (ECT), in New York City, on December 12, 2016. ECT is currently working on a document titled “What Christianity Is.”
  
- ❖ **Justin M. Anderson, Ph.D.**, Associate Professor of Moral Theology, presented “In Pursuit of the Honorable: Honor, the Honorable and Military Codes of Honor.” Invited paper, at *Ethics & Military Professionalism: Cyber Warfare and Other Conflicts*, 2017 Conference of the International Society of Military Ethics, held in Washington, DC, from January 25-27, 2017.

## Other Scholarly and Professional Activity

- ❖ **Ellen R. Scully, Ph.D.**, Associate Professor of Undergraduate Theology, peer-reviewed a manuscript for the *Journal of Early Christian Studies*, in September 2016.
  
- ❖ **Reverend Monsignor Thomas G. Guarino, K.H.S., S.T.D.**, Professor of Systematic Theology, peer-reviewed a manuscript for *Theological Studies*, in winter 2017.