I. Honors and Milestones

- Reverend Thomas G. Guarino, S.T.D., Professor of Systematic Theology, and Reverend Lawrence B. Porter, Ph.D., Professor of Systematic Theology and Director of the Seminary Library, have been named to the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem. The Mass and Investiture Ceremony into the Order will take place at St. Patrick’s Cathedral, New York City, on October 2, 2010.

II. Speaking Engagements


- Stephen B. Kass, M.N.E., M.A., ’09, Coordinator of Marketing and Development, Institute for Christian Spirituality, presented the following:
  - “The Importance of Culture and Identity to an Organization.” Lecture, Catholic School Leadership Program, Seton Hall University, South Orange, NJ, April 30, 2010; and
  - A Place for Mary: the Blessed Mother. Institute for Christian Spirituality lecture series, St. Mary Parish, Pompton Lakes, NJ. The series, which was featured in the Paterson diocesan newspaper, The Beacon, consisted of four lectures:
• “Mary’s Place in Scripture.” May 4, 2010;

• “Mary’s Place in Our Hearts and the Church.” May 12, 2010;

• “Mary’s Place in the Franciscan Order.” May 20, 2010; and

• “Mary’s Place in Prayer.” May 25, 2010.


❖ Jeffrey L. Morrow, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Undergraduate Theology, presented the following:


  o “Priesthood and Politics: Mystagogical Exegesis and a Sacramental Hermeneutic as a Solution to the Crisis in Modern Biblical Criticism.” Lecture, “Letter & Spirit” Summer Institute, Steubenville, OH, June 22, 2010; and

  o At the Applied Biblical Studies Conference, Franciscan University of Steubenville, OH, July 29, 2010, two lectures for a popular audience:

    • “Heavenly Temple and Heavenly Worship on Earth: A Jewish Reading of the Book of Revelation”; and

    • “The Lamb of God Who Takes Away the Sins of the World.”

❖ Gregory Y. Glazov, Ph.D. (Oxon.), Associate Professor of Biblical Studies and Coordinator, Great Spiritual Books Program, Institute for Christian Spirituality, presented the following:


- Reverend Mark Francis O’Malley, Hist.Ecd.D., Assistant Professor of Church History, presented “Historical Highlights of U.S. Catholic Chaplaincy.” Interview, WSOU Radio, Seton Hall University, South Orange, NJ, June 2010, air date: July 25, 2010.

III. Special Events

- Dianne M. Traflet, J.D., '88, S.T.D., Associate Dean, Assistant Professor of Pastoral Theology and Founder and Co-Director, Institute for Christian Spirituality, and Diane M. Carr, M.A., ’07, Coordinator, Center for Prayerfully Speaking, Institute for Christian Spirituality, mentored students in their Spiritual Theology and Public Speaking class in preparation for the students’ presentation of “God’s Great Mercy.” Retreat, Immaculate Conception Seminary, South Orange, NJ, April 29 and May 13, 2010.

IV. Mission and Service

❖ Reverend Donald E. Blumenfeld, Ph.D., Director of Pastoral Formation and Adjunct Professor of Pastoral Theology, established, designed, organized and supervised Introduction to Diaconal Ministry, seven-week summer workshop series for the Newark transitional deacons, Immaculate Conception Seminary, South Orange, NJ, June 9-July 21, 2010 (seven Wednesdays). As part of this series, Father Blumenfeld delivered four talks:

- “Relating Appropriately with Parishioners.” July 14, 2010;
- “Theological Reflection on Diaconal Ministry Experience.” July 21, 2010; and

❖ Reverend Monsignor Gerard H. McCarren, S.T.D., Associate Professor of Systematic Theology and Spiritual Director for the Seminary, provided spiritual direction for six seminarians in the 10-week “Spiritual Formation for Diocesan Seminarians” summer program of the Institute for Priestly Formation, Creighton University, Omaha, NE, June 15-August 5, 2010.

V. Publications

❖ Zeni V. Fox, Ph.D., Professor of Pastoral Theology, published the following:

Reverend Pablo T. Gadenz, S.S.L., S.T.D., Assistant Professor of Biblical Studies:

- Was quoted by Emily Stimpson in “Recovering a Catholic vision of the historical Jesus.” Our Sunday Visitor (May 30, 2010); and


VI. Off-Campus Courses

Joseph P. Rice, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Philosophical Theology, as an external referee, evaluated course material for *Love and Fruitfulness: Marriage and Family in the Teaching of the Church*. Incipient online distance learning course of the John Paul II Institute, Rome, to be conducted under the auspices of the Maryvale Institute, Birmingham, England. This evaluation was the first phase of a two-phase evaluation. May and June 2010.

Víctor Velarde-Mayol, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Philosophical Theology, taught Cognitive Science. Graduate course, Rutgers University, Busch Campus, Piscataway, NJ, June 9-July 28, 2010.

Reverend Pablo T. Gadenz, S.S.L., S.T.D., Assistant Professor of Biblical Studies, taught the following:

- The Biblical Theology of Pope Benedict XVI. Twelve-lecture course, “The Rome Experience” program for American diocesan seminarians, the Pontifical University of the Holy Cross, Rome, June 14-25, 2010; and

Reverend John F. Russell, O.Carm., S.T.D., Professor Emeritus of Systematic Theology, taught the following:

- St. Thérèse & the Priesthood. San Alfonso Retreat Center, Long Branch, NJ, June 21-25, 2010; and
- The Spirituality of St. Thérèse of Lisieux. Mount Carmel Spiritual Center, Niagara Falls, Ontario, Canada, July 8-10, 2010.

Reverend Monsignor Gerard H. McCarren, S.T.D., Associate Professor of Systematic Theology and Spiritual Director for the Seminary, taught IPF 504 C: The Mystery of the Liturgy: Receiving in Celebration and in Life. Course for seminarians in the 10-week “Spiritual Formation for Diocesan Seminarians” summer program of the Institute for Priestly Formation, Creighton University, Omaha, NE, July 12-August 5, 2010.
VII. Conferences and Meetings

❖ Reverend Thomas G. Guarino, S.T.D., Professor of Systematic Theology:
  o Participated in a conference on religious freedom, sponsored by Evangelicals and Catholics Together (ECT), New York City, June 4, 2010.

❖ Jeffrey L. Morrow, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Undergraduate Theology, presented “The Political Background to the Separation of the Bible from Theological Ethics Prior to Vatican II.” Paper, International Conference on Catholic Theological Ethics in the World Church, Trent, Italy, July 25, 2010.

❖ Reverend Pablo T. Gadenz, S.S.L., S.T.D., Assistant Professor of Biblical Studies:
  o Participated in the Applied Biblical Studies Conference, Franciscan University of Steubenville, OH, July 28-30, 2010. At the conference, Father Gadenz conducted a workshop titled “Parallels between the Gospel of John and the Book of Revelation”; led Holy Hour Meditation; and delivered a Homily; and

❖ Zeni V. Fox, Ph.D., Professor of Pastoral Theology, presented “Ritual, Leadership and Lay Ecclesial Ministry.” Paper, Collegeville Ministry Seminar II, St. John Seminary School of Theology, Collegeville, MN, August 2-4, 2010.