I. Honors and Milestones

- Zeni V. Fox, Ph.D., Professor of Pastoral Theology, received the “Wisdom and Service Award,” presented by St. John’s Abbey and St. John’s School of Theology-Seminary, Collegeville, MN, on August 4, 2011. St. John’s Abbey and St. John’s School of Theology-Seminary bestow the “Wisdom and Service Award” on individuals who have made significant contributions to the wisdom of the Church in its formation and development of lay ecclesial ministers. Recipients demonstrate by their personal and professional lives a profound commitment to the pastoral mission of the Church. Their commitment—through leadership in parishes, organizations or seminaries/schools of theology—advances the practice of ministry and the vocational call to lay ecclesial ministry.

- Reverend Mark Francis O’Malley, Hist.Ecl.D., Assistant Professor of Church History, 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 October 1, 2011.

- Justin M. Anderson, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Christian Ethics, was awarded his Doctor of Philosophy in Philosophy degree, upon successful defense of his doctoral dissertation at Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, Louvain, Belgium, on October 6, 2011. His doctoral dissertation is titled “Is Thomas Aquinas a Virtue Ethicist? A Critical Examination of Thomas Aquinas’s Conception of Virtue and Its Relation to Contemporary Moral Philosophy.”
II. Speaking Engagements

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

  o Participated in a phone interview about his conversion from Judaism to Catholicism and about his research on the politics of modern biblical criticism, for The Sacred Page radio show on the Guadalupe Radio Network in California, on September 16, 2011, from 1-2 p.m. EST. A podcast of the radio interview is available online at: http://www.thesacredpage.com/2011/09/tsp-episode-3-jeff-morrow-conversion.html; and

  o Presented the following:
    ▪ “The Lamb’s Supper, Part 1.” Lecture on the Lamb’s Supper in Revelation in light of its background in the Old and New Testaments, St. Mary Parish, Pompton Lakes, NJ, October 8, 2011; and

❖ Zeni V. Fox, Ph.D., Professor of Pastoral Theology, presented “Lay Ministry in the Church: Recognizing the Work of the Spirit.” Talk, for a diocesan gathering in the Diocese of Woolongong, Australia, September 19, 2011.

❖ Diane M. Carr, M.A. ’07, Coordinator, Center for Prayerfully Speaking, Institute for Christian Spirituality, presented “Behold, I Am the Handmaid of the Lord.” Lecture, for the
Women’s Cornerstone team, Our Lady of the Lake Parish, Verona, NJ, September 20, 2011.

- Gregory Y. Glazov, D.Phil. (Oxon.), Associate Professor of Biblical Studies and Coordinator, Great Spiritual Books Program, Institute for Christian Spirituality, presented the following:
  - “The Biblical Background to the Hail Mary.” Talk, for Theology on Tap, Morristown, NJ, September 21, 2011;
  - “Scripture and the Meaning of the Hail Mary.” Talk, for the Feast of the Rosary, Stuart Country Day School of the Sacred Heart, Princeton, NJ, October 7, 2011;

- Reverend Monsignor Gerard H. McCarren, S.T.D., Associate Professor of Systematic Theology and Spiritual Director for the Seminary, served as the respondent at the reading of “Vanity of Human Glory,” Sermon xii, Volume VIII, Parochial and Plain Sermons, by Blessed John Henry Newman. This event, part of the Reading Newman: On Friendship series, was sponsored by the Center for Catholic Studies and the Celtic Theatre Company, and held in the Theatre-in-the-Round, Seton Hall University, South Orange, NJ, on September 29, 2011.

III. Special Event

Reverend Monsignor Gerard H. McCarren, S.T.D., Associate Professor of Systematic Theology and Spiritual Director for the Seminary, organized the annual conference of the Federation of Seminary Spiritual Directors, held at Immaculate Conception Seminary, South Orange, NJ, and St. Mary’s Abbey, Morristown, NJ, from October 20-23, 2011. Those in attendance at the conference included 28 spiritual directors from the United States and Canada, as well as three speakers from Illinois, Michigan and Colorado and three local speakers. Reverend Monsignor Joseph R. Chapel, S.T.D., Assistant Spiritual Director for the Seminary; Associate Professor of Moral Theology; Co-Director, Institute for Christian Spirituality; and Director, Center for Diaconal Formation, contributed significantly to the conference, as he and Monsignor McCarren extended hospitality throughout the conference. In addition, Reverend John F. Russell, O.Carm., S.T.D., Professor Emeritus of Systematic Theology, delivered the opening night’s talk: a keynote address on St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus and Spiritual Direction.
IV. Mission and Service


- Seven faculty members of Immaculate Conception Seminary School of Theology served as assessors and examiners for six candidates in the Pastoral Provision. These candidates are married former Anglican priests who have converted to Roman Catholicism and seek ordination as Catholic priests. This service was rendered at Immaculate Conception Seminary, South Orange, NJ, on September 29, 2011, by the following faculty members:
  - Reverend Monsignor Joseph R. Chapel, S.T.D., Assistant Spiritual Director for the Seminary; Associate Professor of Moral Theology; Co-Director, Institute for Christian Spirituality; and Director, Center for Diaconal Formation;
  - Reverend Monsignor Robert F. Coleman, J.C.D., Rector and Dean and Associate Professor of Pastoral Theology;
  - Reverend Monsignor Gerard H. McCarren, S.T.D., Associate Professor of Systematic Theology and Spiritual Director for the Seminary;
  - Reverend Lawrence B. Porter, K.H.S., Ph.D., Professor of Systematic Theology and Director of the Seminary Library;
  - 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;
  - Reverend Monsignor Robert J. Wister, Hist.Eccl.D., Professor of Church History; and
Reverend Monsignor Gerard H. McCarren, S.T.D., Associate Professor of Systematic Theology and Spiritual Director for the Seminary, presented the following workshops on the Roman Missal, Third Edition:

- “An Introduction to the Roman Missal (2010): A Time for Parish Liturgical Renewal.” Monsignor McCarren presented this workshop together with John D. Nowik, M.M., Director of Music for Immaculate Conception Seminary, on the following occasions:
  - St. Mary Parish, Stony Hill, Watchung, NJ, October 4, 2011; and
  - Immaculate Conception Parish, Mahwah, NJ, October 12, 2011; and
- “What’s Different in the Third Edition of the Roman Missal?” Part one of a two-part workshop for priests of the Archdiocese of Newark on the implementation of the Roman Missal, Third Edition. This workshop was offered twice at St. Peter Parish, River Edge, NJ, on October 24, 2011. It will be offered again, once at St. Helen Parish, Westfield, NJ, on November 3, 2011, and twice at the Archdiocesan Center, Newark, NJ, on November 8, 2011.

V. Publications

- Reverend Thomas G. Guarino, K.H.S., S.T.D., Professor of Systematic Theology, published the following:
  - Review of The Trinity: Rediscovering the Central Christian Mystery, by M. John Farrelly. The Heythrop Journal 52 (September 2011): 829-30; and
Article on the website of the journal *First Things*: “Misjudgment in Boston.”
(September 20, 2011). Online at:

- Reverend John F. Russell, O.Carm., S.T.D., Professor Emeritus of Systematic Theology, published the following journal articles:
  - “‘He is guiding and inspiring me’: St. Thérèse Receiving Spiritual Direction.”
  - “Respecting Uniqueness and Freedom: St. Thérèse Giving Spiritual Direction.”
    *Mount Carmel* 59, no. 2 (April-June 2011): 52-58; and
  - “A Journey of Risk: The Spirituality of Mother Angeline Teresa McCrory, O.Carm.”


- Zeni V. Fox, Ph.D., Professor of Pastoral Theology, published the following:
Jeffrey L. Morrow, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Undergraduate Theology, published the following journal articles:


Reverend John J. Chadwick, S.T.D., Assistant Professor of Systematic Theology, published an article: “RCIA process involves head, heart, hands.” *The Catholic Advocate* (the community newspaper of the Archdiocese of Newark) 60, no. 16 (September 14, 2011): 18-19.

Reverend Monsignor Robert F. Coleman, J.C.D., Rector and Dean and Associate Professor of Pastoral Theology, published an article: “Formation of priests fills Archbishop Myers’ heart.” *The Catholic Advocate* (the community newspaper of the Archdiocese of Newark) 60, no. 18 (October 12, 2011): 32-33.

VI. Conferences, Meetings and Symposia

❖ Reverend Pablo T. Gadenz, S.S.L., S.T.D., Assistant Professor of Biblical Studies:
  o Participated in the Applied Biblical Studies Conference, held at The Franciscan University of Steubenville, Steubenville, OH, from July 27-29, 2011. At the conference, which this year focused on the Gospel of Matthew, Father Gadenz gave a plenary address titled “Matthew 26-28: The Sacrifice and Authority of the Son” and preached a Holy Hour meditation and two homilies; and
  o Attended the 74th Annual Meeting of the Catholic Biblical Association, held at Assumption College, Worcester, MA, from August 6-9, 2011.

❖ Zeni V. Fox, Ph.D., Professor of Pastoral Theology, presented the following:
  o Two presentations for the Fifth Annual Symposium on Lay Ministries, sponsored by the Saint Clare Center for Catholic Life, at Cardinal Stritch University, Milwaukee, WI:
    ▪ Presentation for the Bishop, Board and Faculty, August 17, 2011; and
    ▪ “Spirituality for the Laity.” Keynote address, August 18, 2011; and
  o Two presentations for On Sacred Ground: Lay Leadership in Catholic Human Service and Diocesan Organisations, conference, sponsored by Governance and Management, and held in Sydney, Australia:
    ▪ “Lay Leaders of Catholic Institutions: Serving the Church and the World.” Keynote address, September 21, 2011; and

❖ Reverend Thomas G. Guarino, K.H.S., S.T.D., Professor of Systematic Theology, was a seminar participant and respondent in the Erasmus Colloquium, sponsored by the Institute on Religion and Public Life, and held in New York City, on October 4, 2011. The topic of the colloquium was “Theology and the Fulfilled Life.”

❖ Stephen B. Kass, M.N.E., M.A. ’09, Coordinator of Marketing and Development, Institute for Christian Spirituality, represented Immaculate Conception Seminary School of Theology as a respondent to the panel “Role of a Catholic Education in a Higher Education Marketplace,” at The Future of Higher Education, a symposium held at Seton Hall University on October 13, 2011, in honor of the investiture of A. Gabriel Esteban, Ph.D., as the Twentieth President of Seton Hall University.

❖ Ellen R. Scully, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Undergraduate Theology, presented “The Interaction between Divine Simplicity and the Multiplicity of the Natural Order in Augustine’s De Trinitate.” Paper, at the Thirty-Sixth International Patristic, Medieval, and Renaissance Conference, sponsored by and held at Villanova University, Radnor, PA, from October 21-23, 2011.

VII. Other Scholarly and Professional Activity

❖ Reverend Thomas G. Guarino, K.H.S., S.T.D., Professor of Systematic Theology:

  o Evaluated a manuscript submitted to the journal Theological Studies in the summer of 2011; and

  o Reviewed an article manuscript for Horizons: The Journal of the College Theology Society in 2011.
Reverend Monsignor Gerard H. McCarren, S.T.D., Associate Professor of Systematic Theology and Spiritual Director for the Seminary, as a faculty member for the Institute for Priestly Formation at Creighton University, participated, with the teachers of other sections of the course, in the first of two curriculum review session for the course IPF 504: The Mystery of the Liturgy: Receiving in Celebration and in Life, at the Institute for Priestly Formation, Creighton University, Omaha, NE, from September 4-7, 2011. Monsignor McCarren also will attend the second of the two sessions from January 2-5, 2012.