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Speaking Engagements

- ❖ **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, was featured on the 1-hour EWTN show *At Home with Jim and Joy*. [The interview](#) on the topic of the life and spirituality of St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross (St. Edith Stein) aired on September 7, 2015 and again on September 12, 2015.

- ❖ **Jeffrey L. Morrow, Ph.D.**, Associate Professor of Undergraduate Theology, served as the guest Catholic representative for "A Catholic Scholar, a Protestant Pastor, a Conversation that Matters." Conversation, at The Bridge, Grace Valley Fellowship, Phoenixville, PA, on September 18, 2015.

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

- Introduced, and then responded to, a lecture delivered by Professor Eduardo Echeverria in the Walsh library at Seton Hall University, South Orange, NJ, on September 30, 2015. The lecture was titled “The Two Shall Become One Flesh: The Synod on the Family” and was sponsored by Seton Hall University’s Department of Catholic Studies.
- Was interviewed by Dr. Timothy George, dean of Beeson Divinity School of Samford University, on October 20, 2015. The interview centered around the forthcoming book edited by both Father Guarino and Dr. George and titled *Evangelicals and Catholics Together at Twenty: Vital Statements on Contested Topics* (Grand Rapids: Brazos Press, 2015). The interview will air in the Beeson Podcast series in November 2015.

Special Events

- ❖ Immaculate Conception Seminary School of Theology sponsored “The Family: The Call to Authentic Love and Joy.” Day of Prayer and Inspiration, with reflection on the canonization of Louis and Zélie Martin, parents of St. Thérèse of Lisieux. This event was held at Immaculate Conception Seminary School of Theology, Seton Hall University, South Orange, NJ, on September 19, 2015. Featured speakers were **Reverend Frederick L. Miller, S.T.D.**, Adjunct Professor of Systematic Theology; **Reverend Paul S. Manning, S.T.B., M.Div.**, Adjunct Professor of Pastoral Theology; and **Marcia Reina**, a parishioner of St. Teresa of Avila Parish, Summit, NJ.

- ❖ Immaculate Conception Seminary School of Theology and St. Paul Inside the Walls: The Catholic Center for Evangelization at Bayley-Ellard, Madison, NJ, sponsored “Evangelization at Work.” Workshop, facilitated by **Julie V. Burkey, D.Min.**, Adjunct

Professor of Pastoral Theology, at St. Paul Inside the Walls, Madison, NJ, on September 26, 2015. The day included a discussion of how Catholic faith can become a concrete reality in the workplace. Individuals shared real-life stories of evangelizing in their places of work. Participants in the workshop spent time reflecting on the work-faith connections in their own lives.

Mission and Service

- ❖ **Reverend Monsignor Joseph R. Reilly, S.T.L., Ph.D.**, Rector/Dean, presented “Dean’s Dialogue: Advancing Our Catholic Mission.” Talk to faculty, staff and administrators of the School of Health and Medical Sciences, at Seton Hall University, South Orange, NJ, on September 8, 2015.
- ❖ **Reverend Pablo T. Gadenz, S.S.L., S.T.D.**, Associate Professor of Biblical Studies, appeared on *Fios1 TV*, offering commentary prior to Pope Francis’s Vespers service at St. Patrick’s Cathedral in NYC, and as a papal correspondent for *1010 WTNS News Radio* throughout the day, on September 25, 2015.
- ❖ **Jeffrey L. Morrow, Ph.D.**, Associate Professor of Undergraduate Theology, presented the following:
 - “Theology of the Sacraments.” Lecture on the seven Sacraments, for the adult education program for parents of children in CCD, at Church of the Assumption, Roselle Park, NJ, on September 27, 2015.

- “Morality.” Lecture on Catholic morality, for parents of children preparing for First Holy Communion and Confirmation, at Church of the Assumption, Roselle Park, NJ, on October 25, 2015.

❖ **Reverend Monsignor Gerard H. McCarren, S.T.D.**, Associate Professor of Systematic Theology and Spiritual Director, delivered the keynote presentation at the Liturgical Ministry Day of Renewal, at Holy Trinity Parish, Westfield, NJ, on October 3, 2015.

❖ **Deacon Andrew E. Saunders, M.A. '08**, Director, Center for Diaconal Formation, delivered two keynote presentations at the Diocese of Allentown Permanent Diaconate Convocation, at the Marian Inn at Our Lady of Perpetual Help School, Bethlehem, PA, on October 10, 2015:

- “Liturgy and Life: Making the Vital Connections between Worship, Belief and Life.”
- “It Is no Longer I Who Live, but Christ Who Lives in Me.”

Publications

❖ **Ellen R. Scully, Ph.D.**, Assistant Professor of Undergraduate Theology, published a book:

[Physicalist Soteriology in Hilary of Poitiers](#). Leiden; Boston: Brill, 2015.

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

- Two magazine articles:
 - [“Taking Up the Cross Daily by Praying with Our Senses: On the Role of Mortification in the Christian Life.”](#) *Homiletic & Pastoral Review* (August 30, 2015).
 - [“Did Reno Get It Right? *Laudato Si* in Its Centuries-Long Context.”](#) *Homiletic & Pastoral Review* (September 14, 2015).
- [A book review of: *The Hebrew Book in Early Modern Italy*](#), co-edited by Joseph R. Hacker and Adam Shear. *Review of Biblical Literature* (September 2015).
- A journal article: “Faith, Reason and History in Early Modern Catholic Biblical Interpretation: Fr. Richard Simon and St. Thomas More.” *New Blackfriars* 96, no. 1066 (2015): 658-73.

❖ **Reverend Monsignor Robert J. Wister, Hist.Eccl.D.**, Professor of Church History, was interviewed for the newspaper article [“In choosing the name ‘Francis,’ new pope sent a clear message.”](#) This September 17, 2015 article by Kimberly Winston appeared online in the *Washington Post* and was written in collaboration with *USA Today*, in anticipation of Pope Francis’s September 2015 visit to the U.S.

❖ **Reverend Monsignor Raymond J. Kupke, Ph.D.**, Adjunct Professor of Church History, was interviewed for an *Associated Press* “Big Story” on the topic of Pope Francis’s September 2015 visit to the U.S. The article was picked up by news outlets throughout the world, including *The New York Times*, *Washington Post*, *Chicago Tribune* and *U.S. News & World Report*.

Conferences, Meetings, and Symposia

- ❖ **Reverend Monsignor Gerard H. McCarren, S.T.D.**, Associate Professor of Systematic Theology and Spiritual Director:
 - Participated in the annual meeting of the Joint Commission for Dialogue between the Roman Catholic Church and the World Methodist Council at the Ecumenical Center of the Council of Churches of Malaysia, in Petaling Jaya, Malaysia, from October 9-16, 2015. The members, appointed by the Pontifical Council for Promoting Christian Unity and the World Methodist Council, held their last meeting before they submit their document, which will be titled “The Call to Holiness: From Glory into Glory,” to their sponsors.
 - Participated in the annual conference of the Federation of Seminary Spiritual Directors, at St. Meinrad Seminary, St. Meinrad, IN, from October 21-24, 2015. Monsignor McCarren led the presentation to new spiritual directors on the ministry of seminary spiritual direction, on October 21, 2015.
- ❖ **Deacon Andrew E. Saunders, M.A. '08**, Director, Center for Diaconal Formation, participated in the International Diaconate Centre Jubilee, at *Fraterna Domus* Retreat Center, Rome, Italy, from October 21-25, 2015.

Other Scholarly and Professional Activity

- ❖ **Jeffrey L. Morrow, Ph.D.**, Associate Professor of Undergraduate Theology, became a manuscript reviewer for the theological journal *Horizons*, in 2015.