

University Seminar on Mission #31
Syllabus Fall 2026
Fridays 10:00 – 12:00 p.m.

Facilitator: Msgr. C. Anthony Ziccardi

1. September 25: Overview and Introductions

Commentary by Msgr. Anthony Ziccardi

Reading: Newly revised *Seton Hall: A Catholic University*

2. October 2: Recent History of Catholic Higher Education in America

Commentary by Msgr. Anthony Ziccardi

Readings: James Burtchaell, "The Decline and Fall of the Christian College,"
Parts I and II

3. October 16: A Catholic Vision of Education

Commentary by Msgr. Anthony Ziccardi

Readings: *Ex corde Ecclesiae*, 1990

Land O'Lakes Statement, 1967, 26 US educators at IFCU meeting

Joseph W. Koterski, S.J., "Taking a Catholic View on Academic Freedom"

Stanley Fish, "Academic Freedom is not a Divine Right"

4. October 23: The Core and the Heart of Catholic Higher Education

Commentary by Dr. Anthony Sciglitano

Readings: "Declaration on the Relation of the Church to Non-Christian Religions;"

Nostra Aetate; John C. Cavadini, "Why Study God? The Role of Theology at a
Catholic University"

5. October 30: The Catholic Intellectual Tradition

Commentary by Msgr. Richard Liddy

Reading: Richard Liddy, "Newman's Idea of a University"

6. November 6: Mission and the Transformation of Culture

Commentary by Msgr. Richard Liddy

Reading: Richard Liddy, "Research as Conversion"

7. November 13: Make-up session - if needed