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Awards and Honors

- ❖ **Reverend Monsignor Joseph R. Reilly, S.T.L., Ph.D.**, Rector and Dean, was honored for his service to St. Andrew Parish, Bayonne, NJ, at the parish's annual Holy Name Society dinner-dance, on March 8, 2014.

- ❖ **Reverend Thomas G. Guarino, K.H.S., S.T.D.**, Professor of Systematic Theology, received notification that his book *Vincent of Lérins and the Development of Christian Doctrine* has been selected as the winner of the 2014 Paradosis Center for Theology and Scripture Book Prize. The prize is bestowed "in recognition of the publication of the book making the most significant theological contribution to Catholic, Orthodox and/or evangelical dialogue in any given year, whether in the area of biblical, historical, or dogmatic theology."

- ❖ **Reverend Pablo T. Gadenz, S.S.L., S.T.D.**, Associate Professor of Biblical Studies, will be spending the 2014-2015 academic year on sabbatical, working on a commentary on the Gospel of Luke for the *Catholic Commentary on Sacred Scripture* series. This series, by leading American Scripture scholars, strives to combine the best in biblical scholarship with living faith. Father Gadenz was named a visiting scholar at Princeton Theological Seminary during the time of his sabbatical. This prestigious institution of higher learning will provide him with an excellent atmosphere and ample resources to undertake his research and writing. Moreover, they will benefit from his scholarly presence and priestly witness while there.

Speaking Engagements

- ❖ **Reverend Monsignor Robert J. Wister, Hist.Eccl.D.**, Professor of Church History, presented the following:
 - “Pope Francis.” Lecture, for the Serra Club of the Oranges, Orange, NJ, on February 10, 2014.
 - “Seminaries and Vocations Today.” Lecture, at the Annual Communion Breakfast sponsored by Knights of Columbus Council #11671, at St. Philip the Apostle Parish, Clifton, NJ, on April 6, 2014.

- ❖ **Reverend Monsignor Raymond J. Kupke, Ph.D.**, Adjunct Professor of Church History, presented “St. Elizabeth Ann Seton.” Lecture, for the Lenten series *What Does a Follower of Jesus Look Like?*, at Immaculate Conception Parish, Montclair, NJ, on March 16, 2014.

- ❖ **Julie V. Burkey, M.A.P.M. '04, D.Min.**, Coordinator, Center for Workplace Spirituality, Institute for Christian Spirituality, and Adjunct Professor of Pastoral Theology, presented the following:
 - “St. Joseph, Living a Life of Ordinary Holiness: Work as an Expression of Love.” Lecture, for *The Avila Lecture Series*, at St. Teresa of Avila Parish, Summit, NJ, on March 19, 2014.
 - “St. Joseph.” Lecture, for the Lenten series *What Does a Follower of Jesus Look Like?*, at Immaculate Conception Parish, Montclair, NJ, on March 23, 2014.
 - “Authenticity and Prayer: Sustenance for Personal and Professional Life.” Retreat, for the *Heart of the University* Faculty Retreat Series, at Seton Hall University, South Orange, NJ, on March 31, 2014.
 - “Finding Your Moral Compass.” Lecture, for the Servant Leadership Scholars Meeting, at Seton Hall University, South Orange, NJ, on April 2, 2014.

- ❖ **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, presented the following:
 - “Living the Gospel Joyfully Through the Power of the Holy Spirit.” Keynote address, for the *Lenten Day of Prayer for Women*, offered by Sisters of Jesus our Hope, and held at St. Magdalen de Pazzi Parish, Flemington, NJ, on March 22, 2014.
 - “Today’s Catholic Woman: Feminine, Faithful and Fearless.” Keynote address, for the Women’s Conference, offered by and held at St. Paul Inside the Walls: The Catholic Center for Evangelization at Bayley-Ellard, Madison, NJ, on March 29, 2014.

- “Dorothy Day, Edith Stein, Thérèse of Lisieux: Women of Sacrificial Love in the Heart of the Church.” Lenten presentation, for the FaithQuest Program, at Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Parish, Roseland, NJ, on April 9, 2014.
- “Carrying the Cross with St. Edith Stein.” Lecture, offered by and held at St. Mary Parish, Barnegat, NJ, on April 12, 2014.

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

- “The Light of Faith and the Joy of the Gospel: Pope Francis on Faith and the New Evangelization.” Lecture, for the *New Energies* Lenten series, at Church of St. Joseph The Carpenter, Roselle, NJ, on March 24, 2014.
- “The Forgiveness of Sins and God’s Mercy.” Lecture about the Sacrament of Confession, for the Lenten series, at Our Lady of Victories Parish, Harrington Park, NJ, on March 25, 2014.
- “Laying the Foundation of Faith: Pope Francis and the Sacraments.” Lecture on Pope Francis’s discussion of the Sacraments, with particular focus on the Eucharist and Confession, at Church of St. Joseph the Carpenter, Roselle, NJ, on March 31, 2014.
- “St. Peter and St. Paul: The Biblical Roots of the Papacy and the Universal Call to Evangelize.” Lecture, for The Cathedral of Saint Francis of Assisi Family-Centered Class, at The Cathedral of Saint Francis of Assisi, Metuchen, NJ, on April 6, 2014.
- “Faith and the Family: Pope Francis on the Role of the Laity.” Lecture, for the *New Energies* Lenten series, at the Church of St. Joseph the Carpenter, Roselle, NJ, on April 7, 2014.

- ❖ **Reverend Monsignor Joseph R. Reilly, S.T.L., Ph.D.**, Rector and Dean, presented “Prayer and Spirituality.” Lenten presentation, for the FaithQuest Program, at Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Parish, Roseland, NJ, on March 26, 2014.

- ❖ **Justin M. Anderson, Ph.D.**, Assistant Professor of Moral Theology, presented “St. Vincent de Paul.” Lecture, for the Lenten series *What Does a Follower of Jesus Look Like?*, at Immaculate Conception Parish, Montclair, NJ, on March 30, 2014.

- ❖ **Reverend Thomas G. Guarino, K.H.S., S.T.D.**, Professor of Systematic Theology, presented “Vattimo, Diversity and Catholicism.” *ThomasFest* Lecture, an annual lecture sponsored by the Philosophy Department of Xavier University, Cincinnati, OH, on April 9, 2014. The lecture was also a part of Xavier’s Ethics/Religion and Society Program.

- ❖ **Reverend Lawrence B. Porter, K.H.S., Ph.D.**, Professor of Systematic Theology and Director of the Seminary Library, presented “The Cross in Christian Art and Spirituality: An Illustrated Lecture.” Lecture, for *The Avila Lecture Series*, at St. Teresa of Avila Parish, Summit, NJ, on April 10, 2014.

- ❖ **Reverend Christopher M. Ciccarino, S.S.L., S.T.D.**, Associate Dean and Assistant Professor of Biblical Studies, presented “Catacombs of Rome.” Lecture, for *The Avila Lecture Series*, at St. Teresa of Avila Parish, Summit, NJ, on May 7, 2014.

Special Events

- ❖ The Catholic Center for Family Spirituality at Immaculate Conception Seminary School of Theology sponsored the retreat series *70 X 7: Faith, Family, & Forgiveness*, at Notre Dame of Mount Carmel Parish, Cedar Knolls, NJ. The concluding presentation in this series was *Learning to Forgive and to Give Forgiveness Away to Others*. By Robert D. Enright, Ph.D., Co-founder of the International Forgiveness Institute; Educational Psychologist; and Professor of Educational Psychology at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, on March 29, 2014.

- ❖ Immaculate Conception Seminary School of Theology co-sponsored with Seton Hall University's Institute of Interdisciplinary Studies and Department of Catholic Studies **“I Will Be Called John’: The Election of the Good Pope—October 28, 1958.”** Lecture, in anticipation of the canonization of Blessed Pope John XXIII. This lecture was delivered by Gregory Tobin, M.A. '06, in the Seminary's Chapel of Christ the Good Shepherd, on April 22, 2014.

- ❖ Immaculate Conception Seminary School of Theology sponsored **“Hail, Holy Queen, Mother of Mercy!”** Evening of inspiration and music, as part of Seton Hall University's 2014 Petersheim Academic Exposition. This program, presented by Immaculate Conception Seminary School of Theology graduate student Keaton Douglas, with musical accompaniment by seminarian Richard DeBrasi, was held in the Seminary's Chapel of Christ the Good Shepherd, on April 23, 2014.

- ❖ Immaculate Conception Seminary School of Theology co-sponsored with Seton Hall University's Institute of Interdisciplinary Studies and School of Diplomacy and International Relations **“A Portrait of Saint John Paul II: Personal Reflections of a Papal Nuncio.”** Lecture, in celebration of Pope John Paul II's canonization. This lecture was delivered by Archbishop James Patrick Green, in the Seminary's Chapel of Christ the Good Shepherd, on April 29, 2014.

Mission and Service

- ❖ **Jeffrey L. Morrow, Ph.D.**, Associate Professor of Undergraduate Theology, presented the following:
 - “The Eucharist.” Discussion of Catholic teaching concerning the Eucharist and its Biblical background, for the adult education program for parents of children in CCD, at Assumption Parish, Roselle Park, NJ, on March 2, 2014.
 - “Morning Prayer/Penance and Forgiveness.” Lecture, for the RCIA program, at St. Teresa of Avila Parish, Summit, NJ, on March 30, 2014.
 - Three discussions for the Palm Sunday RCIA retreat, at St. Mary Parish, Pompton Lakes, NJ, on April 13, 2014:
 - “Holy Week I: The Passover Seder.”
 - “Holy Week II: The Last Supper: From Passover to Mass.”
 - “Holy Week III: Triduum.”

- ❖ **Reverend Monsignor Joseph R. Reilly, S.T.L., Ph.D.**, Rector and Dean, presented *Open the Door & Let Christ in.* Parish Mission, at St. Michael Parish, West Gate Chapel,

Eglin Air Force Base, FL, from April 9-11, 2014. The Mission included the following presentations:

- “An Invitation to Grace.” On April 9, 2014.
- “Living Below the Surface.” On April 9, 2014.
- “Lenten Dispositions.” On April 10, 2014.
- “Letting God Be God.” On April 10, 2014.
- “The Light of Faith.” On April 11, 2014.
- “Trust, Mercy & Love.” On April 11, 2014.

❖ **Deacon Andrew E. Saunders, M.A. '08**, Associate Director, Center for Diaconal Formation, was elected to a two-year term on the Board of Directors of the National Association of Diaconate Directors, as the Region III (New Jersey and Pennsylvania) Representative. Following the National Association of Diaconate Directors Conference, held in Atlanta, GA, from April 22-25, 2014, all Board members were installed by Most Reverend Luis Zamara, Auxiliary Bishop of Atlanta, GA, at the Basilica of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, Atlanta, GA, on April 25, 2014.

Publications

❖ An article explaining the theological principles developed by **Reverend Thomas G. Guarino, K.H.S., S.T.D.**, Professor of Systematic Theology, was published by Eduardo Echeverria in *Josephinum Journal of Theology* 19 (2012): 283-321. The article is titled “Divine Revelation and Foundationalism: Toward a Historically Conscious Foundationalism.”

- ❖ *Vincent of Lérins and the Development of Christian Doctrine*, the most recent book publication of **Reverend Thomas G. Guarino, K.H.S., S.T.D.**, Professor of Systematic Theology, was reviewed by Carl R. Trueman in a review titled “Traditional Troubles.” This review appears in [First Things \(May 2014\)](#).

- ❖ **Jeffrey L. Morrow, Ph.D.**, Associate Professor of Undergraduate Theology, published the following:
 - An article in conference proceedings: “Babylonian Myths and the Bible: The Historical and Religious Context to Loisy’s Application of ‘Myth’ as a Concept.” *Papers of the Nineteenth Century Theology Group* 44, no. 1 (2013): 43-62.
 - A review of *Temple Building and Temple Cult: Architecture and Cultic Paraphernalia of Temples in the Levant (2. – 1. Mill. B.C.E.): Proceedings of a Conference on the Occasion of the 50th Anniversary of the Institute of Biblical Archaeology at the University of Tübingen (28th-30th of May 2010)*, by Jens Kamlah. [Review of Biblical Literature \(2014\): 1-4](#).

- ❖ **Reverend Monsignor Robert J. Wister, Hist.Eccl.D.**, Professor of Church History:
 - Was interviewed for the following online newspaper articles:
 - [“2 Popes on Hand in Historic 1st Cardinal Ceremony.”](#) By Nicole Winfield. *Associated Press* (February 22, 2014).
 - [“Obama to find ally on justice in first meeting with Pope Francis.”](#) By Philip Pullella and Jeff Mason. *Reuters* (March 26, 2014). Online at:
 - [“Meetings of U.S. presidents and popes: long, but not ancient, tradition.”](#) By Carol Zimmermann. *Catholic Courier* (March 31, 2014).

- [“Pope John XXIII Launched Vatican II and then Some.”](#) By Nicole Winfield. *Associated Press* (April 23, 2014).
 - [“Francis Deeply Influenced by Both Sainly Popes.”](#) By Nicole Winfield and Daniela Petroff. *Associated Press* (April 26, 2014).
 - Published a magazine article: [“Words from Long Ago—The Stafford Hall Cornerstone.”](#) *Seton Hall Magazine* (Spring 2014): 10-11.
- ❖ **Reverend Thomas G. Guarino, K.H.S., S.T.D.**, Professor of Systematic Theology, published a journal article: “*Philosophia Obscurans?* Six Theses on the Proper Relationship between Theology and Philosophy” *Nova et Vetera* 12 (2014): 349-94.
- ❖ **Reverend Monsignor C. Anthony Ziccardi, S.S.L, S.T.D.**, Adjunct Professor of Biblical Studies, published a book review of *Acts: An Exegetical Commentary*, by Craig S. Keener. *The Catholic Biblical Quarterly* 76 (2014): 356-60.
- ❖ **Reverend Monsignor Raymond J. Kupke, Ph.D.**, Adjunct Professor of Church History:
- Was interviewed for the following online newspaper articles:
 - [“Bloodied Shirt, Unwashed Fork: JPII Relics Abound.”](#) By Frances D’Emilio. *Associated Press – Rome Bureau* (April 24, 2014).
 - [“Crusades Fought, eBay Bids Sought for Relics.”](#) By Frances D’Emilio. *Associated Press – Rome Bureau* (April 24, 2014).
 - Published a newspaper article: [“Opinion: Pope Paul VI: Remembering the ‘man in the middle.’”](#) *The Record* (April 30, 2014).

Conferences, Meetings, and Symposia

- ❖ **Reverend Thomas G. Guarino, K.H.S., S.T.D.**, Professor of Systematic Theology, led the “Catholicism, Culture and Modernity” seminar, at Columbia University, New York City, on April 29, 2014. The seminar draws its participants from faculty and doctoral students of the University. The topic was “Gianni Vattimo and the Postmodern Narrative of Secularization: A Catholic Response.”

Other Scholarly and Professional Activity

- ❖ **Reverend Thomas G. Guarino, K.H.S., S.T.D.**, Professor of Systematic Theology, peer-reviewed an article for the journal *The Thomist* (Winter 2014).