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Speaking Engagements

- ❖ **Justin M. Anderson, Ph.D.**, Associate Professor of Moral Theology, presented the following:
 - “Scandal and Truth.” Discussion and Q&A on the theology of scandal and truth-telling, as part of the series *The Doctor Is In*, sponsored by St. Paul Inside the Walls: The Catholic Center for Evangelization at Bayley-Ellard. This presentation was held at St. Paul Inside the Walls, Madison, NJ, on November 7, 2018. Approximately 25 people attended.
 - “Catholic Manhood in an Age of Crisis.” Talk on St. Joseph as a model for Catholic men in today's world, at St. Joseph Shrine, Stirling, NJ, on December 1, 2018. Approximately 30 people attended.

❖ **Reverend Pablo T. Gadenz, S.S.L., S.T.D.**, Associate Professor of Biblical Studies:

- Presented “The Gospel of Luke: Overview and Infancy Narrative.” 50-minute lecture, followed by 15 minutes of Q&A, at St. Justin the Martyr Parish, Toms River, NJ, on November 28, 2018. The lecture provided an overview of Luke’s Gospel and a closer look at the Infancy Narrative (Luke 1-2), as preparation for the Year C liturgical cycle and the season of Advent. Ninety-eight people attended.
- Served as a guest speaker on the hour-long “Inner Life” talk show on the nationwide station *Relevant Radio* (Newark area: 1430 AM), discussing with the show’s host the upcoming Sunday’s Gospel reading, and fielding callers’ questions, on the following dates:
 - [November 30, 2018.](#)
 - [December 21, 2018.](#)
 - [January 25, 2019.](#)
- Presented “The Gospel of Luke: Focus on the Infancy Narrative.” 55-minute lecture, followed by 25 minutes of Q&A, at St. Paul Parish, Princeton, NJ, on December 5, 2018. After an overview of the Gospel of Luke, the lecture focused on the Infancy Narrative (Luke 1-2), as preparation for Christmas, during the season of Advent. Approximately 65 people attended.
- Presented “The Gospel of Luke: Focus on the Infancy Narrative.” 45-minute lecture, followed by 10 minutes of Q&A, at St. Michael Parish, Long Branch, NJ, on December 12, 2018. After an overview of the Gospel of Luke, the lecture focused on the Infancy Narrative (Luke 1-2), as preparation for Christmas, during the season of Advent. Approximately 50 people attended.

- Served as the guest for the half-hour long “Encounter” television talk show hosted by Bishop John Barres and Reverend Monsignor James Vlaun of the Diocese of Rockville Centre, NY, on the *Catholic Faith Network* (reaching television audiences in the New York, New Jersey, and Connecticut area). [The episode](#), which focused on the Gospel of Luke, was taped on January 16, 2019, and aired numerous times during the following weeks. Father Gadenz’s television interview was the subject of [a news story](#) published on the Seton Hall University website on February 18, 2019.
- Was interviewed for [“Luke’s Historical Gospel,”](#) an episode of the online Catholic podcast *Classical Theism* on the subject of the Gospel of Luke, on account of Father Gadenz’s recent book. During the interview, Father Gadenz gave some background to Luke’s Gospel and its key passages, and he answered various objections regarding the history and theology contained in Luke’s Gospel. Recorded via Skype from Father Gadenz’s office at Seton Hall University, South Orange, NJ, on January 31, 2019, the hour-long interview was posted online on February 17, 2019.
- Presented “The Gospel of Luke.” 45-minute lecture, followed by 15 minutes of Q&A, at Church of the Nativity, Fair Haven, NJ, on February 5, 2019. After an overview of the Gospel of Luke, the lecture focused on its key passages and themes. The lecture kicked off the parish’s weekly Bible study on Luke. Approximately 40 people attended.
- Presented a paper, “Hermeneutical Insights on the Gospels: Ratzinger’s Jesus of Nazareth in Retrospect,” to a group of three colleagues in Immaculate Conception Seminary School of Theology’s faculty scholarly collaborative group, *Amplificamus*, in ICSST’s Lewis Hall, Seton Hall University, South Orange, NJ, on February 13, 2019. This paper has been accepted for publication in the *Journal of Theological Interpretation*.

- ❖ **Patrick R. Manning, Ph.D.**, Assistant Professor of Pastoral Theology, was interviewed regarding his recent (previously-reported) journal article “Disintegrating Worldviews and the Future of Catholic Education: Addressing the Deep Roots of Catholic Disaffiliation,” for the [Catholic Matters podcast series](#), on January 9, 2019.

- ❖ **Reverend Monsignor Thomas G. Guarino, K.H.S., S.T.D.**, Professor of Systematic Theology, was interviewed by Mark Bauerlein, senior editor of *First Things*, on the topic of Monsignor Guarino’s newly-published book, *The Disputed Teachings of Vatican II: Continuity and Reversal in Catholic Doctrine*, on January 11, 2019. [A podcast of this interview](#) is available on the *First Things* website.

Special Events

- ❖ Immaculate Conception Seminary School of Theology sponsored a book-signing of *The Paulist Biblical Commentary*, with a free public lecture titled “Paul’s Letter to the Romans: Theological, Spiritual, and Pastoral Implications,” by Reverend Thomas D. Stegman, S.J., editor, in the Seminary’s Chapel of Christ the Good Shepherd, on November 8, 2018. Sixty-three people attended. Father Stegman is a member of the U.S. Midwest Province of the Society of Jesus. He also is Dean and Professor Ordinarius of New Testament in the Ecclesiastical Faculty at Boston College School of Theology and Ministry. *The Paulist Biblical Commentary* presents a commentary on each of the 73 books of the Catholic canon of the Bible, along with 12 general articles designed to meet the needs of a wide variety of Bible readers, ranging from students to those engaged in pastoral ministry. This lecture provided a flavor for the uniqueness of *The Paulist Biblical Commentary* by offering reflections on Paul’s Letter to the Romans.

- ❖ **Patrick R. Manning, Ph.D.**, Assistant Professor of Pastoral Theology, presented “Christianity and Human Happiness.” Facebook Live interview with **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, sponsored by and held at Immaculate Conception Seminary School of Theology, Seton Hall University, South Orange, NJ, on November 14, 2018. One hundred seventy-seven people engaged in this Facebook Live session, which served as a preview of Dr. Manning’s new Spring 2019 course *Christianity and Human Happiness*. Organized by **Diane M. Carr, M.A. ’07**, Coordinator of Graduate and International Services, this Facebook Live session is available on <https://www.facebook.com/halltheology/videos/499189290584816/>

- ❖ Immaculate Conception Seminary School of Theology’s Center for Diaconal Formation sponsored “Morning of Prayer with the Mother of God: Mary in the Gospel of John,” for wives of deacons and deacon candidates, at St. Paul Inside the Walls, Madison, NJ, on December 1, 2018. **Reverend Frederick L. Miller, S.T.D.**, Adjunct Professor of Systematic Theology, facilitated the morning, presenting on “Cana Mystery, John 2:1-11” and on “Mary on Calvary, John 19:25-27.” The morning also included breakfast and small group discussions, and concluded with Mass. Twenty-five people attended.

Mission and Service

- ❖ **Reverend Pablo T. Gadenz, S.S.L., S.T.D.**, Associate Professor of Biblical Studies:
 - Presented “Understanding and Preaching St. Luke’s Gospel.” Workshop with four lectures on the Gospel of Luke, for priests, deacons, and directors of religious education

of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati, OH, from 9:30 a.m. to 3:15 p.m., on the following occasions:

- At Mount St. Mary's Seminary of the West / The Athenaeum of Ohio, Cincinnati, OH, on November 7, 2018.
- At St. Peter Parish, Huber Heights, OH, on November 8, 2018.

A total of approximately 115 people attended the workshops.

- Served as the chaplain at the [2019 West Coast Priest Conference](#) co-sponsored by the St. Paul Center for Biblical Theology and the Napa Institute. Father Gadenz was the main celebrant and homilist at four Masses and presented two Holy Hour conferences. The conference was held at Estancia La Jolla Hotel & Spa, La Jolla, CA, from January 7-10, 2019. Approximately 135 priests attended.
- Presented "The Gospel of Luke." Faculty Development Seminar provided to Seton Hall University professors teaching the Core Curriculum course *Journey of Transformation*, which will cover the Gospel of Luke this year. The one-hour lecture (including time for Q&A) was offered twice in order to accommodate more professors, at Seton Hall University, South Orange, NJ, on February 5 and 6, 2019. A total of 15 Seton Hall professors attended the seminar.

❖ **Reverend Mariusz Eugene R. Koch, C.F.R., M.Div., M.A.**, Associate Spiritual Director for the Seminary:

- Preached and celebrated the Sacrament of Reconciliation at a training session for St. Paul's Outreach, in New Milford, NJ, on November 10, 2018. More than 100 women attended the training session.

- Preached at the annual Mass offered for the repose of the souls of deceased priests, sponsored by the Polish Priests Association of the Dioceses of Metuchen, Newark, Paterson, and Trenton, at St. Theresa of the Child Jesus Parish, Linden, NJ, on November 27, 2018. Approximately 50 priests attended.
 - Facilitated a day-long pre-Advent retreat for the Franciscan Sisters, in Parsippany, NJ, on December 1, 2018. Approximately 50 Sisters attended.
- ❖ **Patrick R. Manning, Ph.D.**, Assistant Professor of Pastoral Theology, presented “The Vocation of the Family.” Presentation, for the Church of the Presentation Family Faith Formation Program, at Church of the Presentation, Upper Saddle River, NJ, on November 14, 16, and 17, 2018. Approximately 950 people attended.
- ❖ **Sister Maria Pascuzzi, C.S.J., S.S.L., S.T.D.**, Associate Dean for Undergraduate Studies:
- Presented “Scriptural Reflections for Advent.” Retreat day for Advent, focused on the Incarnation. The day, which included two 50-minute presentations and liturgy, was held at the Congregation of the Infant Jesus, Rockville Centre, NY, on December 2, 2018. Sixty-four people attended.
 - Served as organizer and archaeological and scriptural guide/commentator for a nine-day pilgrimage to the Holy Land (December 31, 2018-January 9, 2019). Each day, Sister Pascuzzi commented at various site visits both on the archaeological and historical significance of the site as well as related scripture from both Old and New Testaments. Each evening, Sister Pascuzzi lectured on one of the Beatitudes as found in the Gospel of Matthew. Thirty-five people (including 31 religious sisters, one priest, and three lay people) participated in the pilgrimage.

- Served as guest speaker on the topic “Rejoice and Be Glad! The Beatitudes in Context, Past and Present,” for a retreat day (9 a.m.-3 p.m.) for the Sisters of Saint Joseph and their Associates as well as religious associates of other local Long Island congregations. The retreat day was held at the Joan Leonard Center, Brentwood, NY, on January 26, 2019. One hundred eight people attended.
- Presented “Hold Fast to the Gospel.” Keynote address, at a communion breakfast held in commemoration of the 150th anniversary of St. Patrick’s R.C. Parish, Long Island City, NY, at Sheraton Four Points Hotel Ballroom, Long Island City, NY, on February 10, 2019. One hundred fifty-four people attended.

Publications

- ❖ **Reverend Monsignor Robert J. Wister, Hist.Eccl.D.**, Professor of Church History, published [a book review of *Minor Setback or Major Disaster? The Rise and Demise of Minor Seminaries in the United States, 1958-1983*](#), by Robert L. Anello, M.S.A. *The Catholic Historical Review* 104, no. 3 (Summer 2018): 559-61.
- ❖ **Reverend Pablo T. Gadenz, S.S.L., S.T.D.**, Associate Professor of Biblical Studies, published the following:
 - An article in a supplement to a magazine. Father Gadenz’s article, “The Gospel of Luke / *El Evangelio según san Lucas*,” appears in the [2019 liturgical year calendar-poster](#), a supplement to [Catechist Magazine](#) (September 2018). Father Gadenz’s one-page overview of the Gospel of Luke appears on the back of the 2019 calendar poster. He also translated this overview into Spanish for the Spanish version of the calendar-poster.

- A book review of *The Epistle to the Romans*, by Richard N. Longenecker. [Biblica 99, no. 3 \(Fall 2018\)](#): 463-66.
- In January 2019, the Polish publisher Wydawnictwo Polskiej Prowincji Dominikanów Wdrodze officially signed a contract with Baker Academic for a Polish-language edition of Father Gadenz's recently-published book, *The Gospel of Luke*, to be produced in the next two years.

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

- A journal article: “*Études Bibliques: The Early Biblical Work of Alfred Loisy.*” *Modernism* 4, no. 1 (2018): 12-32.
- Four book reviews:
 - Review of *Empirical Models Challenging Biblical Criticism*, co-edited by Raymond F. Person, Jr., and Robert Rezetko. *Review of Biblical Literature* (November 2018).
 - [Review of Newman's Early Roman Catholic Legacy, 1845-1854](#), by C.M. Shea. *Catholic Books Review* (2018).
 - Review of *Criticism and Confession: The Bible in the Seventeenth Century Republic of Letters*, by Nicholas Hardy. *Review of Biblical Literature* (December 2018).
 - Review of *A History of Biblical Interpretation, Volume 3: The Enlightenment through the Nineteenth Century*, co-edited by Alan J. Hauser and Duane F. Watson. *Review of Biblical Literature* (January 2019).
- A book: [Alfred Loisy and Modern Biblical Studies](#). Washington, DC: The Catholic University of America Press, 2019.

- ❖ **Justin M. Anderson, Ph.D.**, Associate Professor of Moral Theology, published a book review of *Scandalum in the Early Bolognese Decretistic and in Papal Decretals (ca. 1140-1234)*, *Spicilegium Sacrum Lovaniense* 55, by Wouter Druwé. *Ephemerides Theologicae Lovanienses* 94, no. 4 (December 2018): 739-41.

- ❖ **Reverend Monsignor Thomas G. Guarino, K.H.S., S.T.D.**, Professor of Systematic Theology:
 - Published an article on the website of the journal *First Things*: [“Mary, Conceived Without Sin, Pray for Us.”](#) (December 7, 2018).
 - Co-authored and signed a [Statement on the New York State Abortion Law of 2019](#), published by Evangelicals and Catholics Together (ECT) on the website of the journal *First Things*. (February 1, 2019).

- ❖ **Reverend Lawrence B. Porter, K.H.S., Ph.D.**, Professor of Systematic Theology and Director of the Turro Seminary Library, published an article on the website of the journal *Homiletic & Pastoral Review*: [“Aquinas as Biblical Exegete: His Interpretation of Paul’s ‘Thorn in the Flesh.’”](#) (January 2019).

Conferences, Meetings, and Symposia

- ❖ **Reverend Pablo T. Gadenz, S.S.L., S.T.D.**, Associate Professor of Biblical Studies, presented the following:
 - “Hermeneutical Insights on the Gospels from Joseph Ratzinger’s Jesus of Nazareth.” Paper, at the annual meeting of The Joseph Ratzinger Society of Biblical Theology, held

at the Augustine Institute, Greenwood Village, CO, on November 16, 2018.

Approximately 30 people attended the presentation.

- “Isaac Typology and Fulfillment of the Oath to Abraham in Luke-Acts.” Paper, at the annual meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature, held at the Denver Convention Center, Denver, CO, from November 17-21, 2018. Father Gadenz’s paper was presented at a session on Intertextuality in the New Testament, on November 17, 2018. Approximately 25 people attended the presentation.

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

- Participated in the annual meeting of The Joseph Ratzinger Society of Biblical Theology, held at the Augustine Institute, Greenwood Village, CO, on November 16, 2018.
- Presented the following:
 - “Methods of Interpreting Scripture and Nature: The Influence of the Baconian Method on Spinoza’s Biblical Criticism.” Paper, at the annual meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature, held at the Denver Convention Center, Denver, CO, from November 17-21, 2018. Dr. Morrow’s paper was presented on November 17, 2018. Approximately 40 people attended the presentation.
 - “Contending Against Rationalists: Pope Leo XIII’s Response to the Rise of Historical Consciousness in Biblical Studies.” Paper, at the annual meeting of the American Academy of Religion, held in Denver, CO, from November 17-20, 2018. Dr. Morrow’s paper was presented on November 18, 2018. Approximately 100 people attended the presentation.
 - “Engaging Danny Praet and Corinne Bonnet’s *Science, Religion and Politics During the Modernist Crisis* (2018).” Invited paper, at the annual meeting of La Société

Internationale d'Études sur Alfred Loisy, in Denver, CO, on November 18, 2018.
Approximately 10 people attended the presentation.

- ❖ **Reverend Monsignor Thomas G. Guarino, K.H.S., S.T.D.**, Professor of Systematic Theology, co-chaired a meeting of the bilateral ecumenical initiative Evangelicals and Catholics Together (ECT), in New York City, on December 3, 2018. ECT is working on a statement titled “The Gift of Children,” which will be published in 2019.

- ❖ **Patrick R. Manning, Ph.D.**, Assistant Professor of Pastoral Theology, was among the 2017-2018 University Teaching Fellows who shared both their experience as Teaching Fellows and the pedagogical projects that they developed as a result of their participation in the program, at the forum “Best Practices from the University Teaching Fellows,” open to the University community, and held at Seton Hall University, South Orange, NJ, on December 4, 2018. Approximately 20 people attended.

Other Scholarly and Professional Activity

- ❖ **Reverend Monsignor Thomas G. Guarino, K.H.S., S.T.D.**, Professor of Systematic Theology, peer-reviewed an article for *The Lonergan Review*, in winter 2019.