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SUMMARY

- Roman Catholic Priest of the Diocese of Brooklyn
- Dean of Seminarians at St. Joseph's Seminary, Dunwoodie, NY
- Director of Institutional Effectiveness at St. Joseph's Seminary, Dunwoodie, NY
- Chair of the Department of Church History and Professor of Dogmatic Theology at St. Joseph's Seminary, Dunwoodie, NY
- Censor Librorum, Diocese of Brooklyn

EDUCATION

Doctorate in Sacred Theology, *Summa cum laude*, Pontifical Lateran University, 2014

Concentrations: Dogmatic Theology, Historical Theology

Dissertation: *Political Augustinianism: A Study of the Interpretations of Augustine's Political Thought from 1900 to the Present*

Licentiate in Sacred Theology, *Summa cum laude*, Pontifical Lateran University, 2011

Concentrations: Ecclesiology with Specialization in Church History

Thesis: *The Influence of the Concept of History in Scholasticism and Its Contemporary Impact*

Baccalaureate in Sacred Theology, *Summa cum laude*, Pontifical Gregorian University, 2009.

Thesis: *The Eschatological Nature of the Assumption of Mary: A Survey of 20th Century Developments*

Priestly Formation, *Pontifical North American College*, 2006-2010

Bachelor of Arts, *Summa cum laude*, Stonehill College, 2006

Concentration: History, Minor in Philosophy

Summer Institute in Medieval Studies, *University of Cambridge*, 2005.

"Evaluated with High Achievement"

Xaverian High School, Class of 2003

ORDINATION

Ordained to the Priesthood by Most Rev. Nicholas DiMarzio, Ph.D., D.D., June 26, 2010
Roman Catholic Diocese of Brooklyn
Cathedral Basilica of St. James- Brooklyn, NY

Ordained to the Diaconate by Most Rev. Octavio Cisneros, D.D., July 25, 2009
Roman Catholic Diocese of Brooklyn
Basilica of Regina Pacis- Brooklyn, NY

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Adjunct Professor, Pontifical North American College, 2011-2012

Courses: The History of the Catholic Church in the United States
(Collaboration with Pontifical Gregorian University and Pontifical University of St. Thomas Aquinas)

Adjunct Professor, St. Joseph's Seminary, 2013-2015

Courses: The Church in Modern World (Modern Church History), Introduction to Theology, Introduction to Church History

Professor of Dogmatic Theology, St. Joseph's Seminary, 2015-Present

Courses: Holy Orders and Ministry, Theology of the Eucharist, Ecclesiology, Introduction to Theology,

Francis Cardinal Spellman Chair of Church History, St. Joseph's Seminary, 2016-Present

Courses: Modern and Contemporary Church History, Reformation and Catholic Reformation, The History of the Church in the United States

Instructor, Emmanuel School of Mission, Rome, Italy, 2009-2010

ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE

Dean of Seminarians, St. Joseph's Seminary, 2020-Present

Director of Institutional Effectiveness, St. Joseph's Seminary, Fall 2017-Present

Asst. Director of Assessment and Accreditation, St. Joseph's Seminary, 2016-2017

ADDITIONAL ROLES

Formation Advisor, St. Joseph's Seminary, 2015-Present

Censor Librorum, Roman Catholic Diocese of Brooklyn, 2013 to Present

President of Historical Commission for Cause of Canonization, Archdiocese of New York, 2018-Present

President of Historical Commission for Cause of Canonization, Diocese of Brooklyn, 2014-2020

Reviewer for Catechetical Texts, USCCB Subcommittee on the Catechism, 2018-Present

Member of Board of Trustees, Xaverian High School, Brooklyn, NY, 2016-Present

Parochial Vicar, St. Luke's Church, Whitestone, NY, 2013-2015

Certified Guide for the Vatican Necropolis, *La Fabbrica di San Pietro*, Vatican City State, 2006-2013

On-Site Events Coordinator, Office of Conference and Events, Stonehill College, 2005-2006

PUBLICATIONS

Book

Political Augustinianism: Modern Interpretations of Augustine's Political Thought.
Minneapolis: Fortress Press, 2014.

Articles

"A Dogma for 150 Years," *Emmanuel Magazine*, Nov/Dec (2005): 505-513.

"The Investiture Contest in Norman England: A Struggle between St. Anselm of Canterbury and the Norman Kings Part 1 of 2," *American Benedictine Review*, 2(2010):119-137

"The Investiture Contest in Norman England: A Struggle between St. Anselm of Canterbury and the Norman Kings Part 2 of 2," *American Benedictine Review*, 3(2010):307-324.

“The Anthropological Contribution of John Paul II in Familiaris Consortio 11, *Homiletic and Pastoral Review*, (April 2011): <http://www.hprweb.com/2012/04/john-paul-ii-christian-anthropology-and-familiaris-consortio/> (28 April 2012).

Foreword for Chuwudeumebi Norbert Atta, *The Pastoral Solitude of the Catholic Bishops Conference of Nigeria on Christian-Muslim Faith-Related Relations (1982-2012)*, Facoltà Teologica del Triveneto, 2014.

“Augustinian Insights into the Christian in Public Life” 20th Annual Augustine Lecture-University of Malta (November 2016). Published in *Augustinian Institute Annual* (2017).

“Rediscovering Augustine's Saeculum and the State of Contemporary Augustinian Hermeneutics” University of Malta (November 2016). Published in *Augustinian Institute Annual* (2017)

“Between Earthly and Heavenly Peace: The Contemporary Discussion of Augustine’s Concept of Peace,” in *Agustín de Hipona como Doctor Pacis: estudios sobre la paz en el mundo contemporáneo*. Bogota: Editorial Uniagustiniana, 2019.

“Seeking Augustinian Insights for the Christian in Public Life Today,” in *Non Laborat Qui Amat: A Festschrift in Honour of Prof. Salvino Caruana OSA*. Edited by Hector Scerri, et al. Malta: Maltese Augustinian Province, 2020.

“Ask a Priest: How does the Church’s response to coronavirus crisis compare to its role in earlier pandemics?” *Archways Magazine* (Winter 2021): 4-5.

Review

Review of Dean Hammer, Roman Political Thought. *Augustiniana* (2015): 267-274.

Review of Sarah Stewart-Kroeker, Pilgrimage as Moral and Aesthetic Formation in Augustine’s Thought. *Augustiniana* 69 (2019).

Review of Augustine’s Political Thought Edited by Richard Dougherty. *Church History* (2020).

Editorial Peer Reviews

Peer Reviewer for “Sensus Communis” in *Humanitas Hodie*

Peer Reviewer for *Agustín de Hipona como Doctor Pacis: estudios sobre la paz en el mundo contemporáneo* Bogota: Editorial Uniagustiniana, 2019.

PRESENTATIONS & CONFERENCES

- Day of Prayer Sisters of Mercy Mid-Atlantic Province- December 31, 2010
- Conference of Italian Association of Church Historians- March 2011
- Day of Prayer Sisters of Mercy Mid-Atlantic Province- December 31, 2011
- Day of Prayer Sisters of Mercy Mid-Atlantic Province- December 31, 2012
- Mini-Course on St. Paul- Immaculate Conception Parish Astoria, NY February 2013
- Augustine and Politics Colloquium, Univ. of Virginia, July 2013
- Day of Prayer Sisters of Mercy Mid-Atlantic Province- December 31, 2013
- “Insights into a Papal Conclave” Public Lecture, St. Luke’s Church Whitestone, March 11, 2013
- Faculty Retreat Day Holy Cross High School- April 19, 2013
- Day of Prayer Our Lady of Mercy Academy- December 31, 2013
- Conference Fellowship of Scholars- June 2014
- Day of Prayer Sisters of Mercy Mid-Atlantic Province- December 31, 2014
- Discussant for Panel on the work of Jean Bethke Elshtain and Participant Midwest Political Science Association-June 2015
- Day of Prayer Sisters of Mercy Mid-Atlantic Province- December 31, 2015
- Day of Prayer Queens North Deanery- February 22, 2016
- Theological Expert on “In the Arena” WOR710AM, NET TV, Relevant Radio- May 19, 2016
- Retreat Director- “Seeking Perfect Charity: Rediscovering *Perfectae Caritatis*” Mercy Villa-Water Mill, NY July 9-16, 2016
- University of Malta 20th Augustine Lecture- November 21, 2016
- Day of Prayer Sisters of Mercy Mid-Atlantic Province- December 31, 2016
- St. Elizabeth High School Faculty Day of Prayer- March 24, 2017
- Historical Expert, *Mysteries of the Church*, NET-NY TV, April 2017
- Planning Committee of the Priest Convocation-Diocese of Brooklyn Fall 2014, Fall 2017
- Chair of 50th Anniversary of the Diaconate Committee- Diocese of Brooklyn, 2016-2018
- Participant at the “Conference for the Promotion of the New *Ratio Fundamentalis Institutionis Sacerdotalis* Congregation for Clergy, Rome Italy- July 2017
- Presenter at Film Festival of Immaculate Conception Church Astoria- Nov. 25, 2017
- Holy Cross Community at King’s College Advent Day of Recollection- December 6, 2017
- Day of Prayer Sisters of Mercy Mid-Atlantic Province- December 31, 2017
- Day of Recollection for Parish Ministers- St. Francis of Assisi Church Astoria- March 18, 2018
- Analyst, *Currents News*, NET-NY TV, Aug. 6, 2018
- Guest Homilist, St. Rocco’s Italian Festival- Johnston, RI- Aug. 15, 2018
- Historical Commission President-Servant of God Bernard Quinn (2015-Present)
- Diocesan Committee on the Servant of God Francis Ford (2016-Present)
- Historical Commission President-Servant of God Dorothy Day (2017-Present)
- Keynote Address to Brooklyn Music Commission- Nov. 12, 2018
- Presenter- Film Festival Immaculate Conception Church Astoria- Nov. 16, 2018
- Middle States Conference for Higher Education Annual Conference Participant- Washington, D.C.- Nov 28-30, 2018

- Day of Prayer Sisters of Mercy Mid-Atlantic Province- December 31, 2018
- Immaculate Conception Church Astoria- Lenten Mission- March 20, 2019
- Analyst- News 12 Westchester, April 16, 2019
- Presenter- Film Festival Immaculate Conception Church Astoria- June 4, 2019
- Retreat Director- “The Beatitudes: Living Our Call to Holiness” Mercy Villa- Water Mill, NY, July 13-20, 2019
- Retreat Director- Franciscan Friars of the Renewal- “Religious Life in Magisterium Since the Second Vatican Council”- Monticello, NY- September 27-29, 2019
- Participant NACTS Meeting Schaumburg, IL- Oct. 3-5, 2019
- Advent Day of Prayer- Holy Cross Community at Stonehill College, Dec. 12, 2019
- Day of Prayer Sisters of Mercy Mid-Atlantic Province- December 31, 2019
- Participant ATS Biennial Meeting- June 24-25, 2020
- Analyst, “Encounter with Bishop John Barres,” *Catholic Faith Network* Jan. 19, 2021

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Catholic Historical Association

American Historical Association

North American Patristics Society

Theta Alpha Kappa- National Theology Honor Society

Phi Alpha Theta- National History Honor Society

Lambda Epsilon Sigma- Stonehill College Honor Society

Pontifical North American College Alumni Association