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Awards, Honors and Appointments

- ❖ **Jeffrey L. Morrow, Ph.D.**, Associate Professor of Undergraduate Theology, was awarded the following:
 - A sabbatical for the 2015-2016 academic year. Dr. Morrow was named a visiting scholar at Princeton Theological Seminary for the period of his sabbatical.
 - A sabbatical grant from the St. Paul Center for Biblical Theology, Steubenville, OH, for academic year 2015-2016.
 - A summer stipend for the research project titled "Alfred Loisy's Ecclesiological Vision in *L'Évangile et L'Église*." This grant was awarded by the Seton Hall University Research Council, for summer 2015.

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, presented the following:
 - “The Transforming Power of Forgiveness.” Parish Mission, at Sacred Heart Parish, Haworth, NJ, from March 2-4, 2015.
 - “The Passion Through the Eyes of Mary.” Lecture, at St. Mary Parish, Dumont, NJ, on March 24, 2015.
 - “Oasis 2015: Day of Prayer for Women,” hosted by The Religious Teachers Filippini, at Villa Walsh, Morristown, NJ, on April 18, 2015.

- ❖ **Jeffrey L. Morrow, Ph.D.**, Associate Professor of Undergraduate Theology:
 - Did the following for the Diocese of Toledo’s 2015 Catholic Men’s conference on “Pursuing Holiness,” for which he served as one of the main speakers:
 - Participated in two interviews:
 - Phone interview for *The Blade* (the daily newspaper for Toledo, OH) in anticipation of the conference. T.K. Barger, the Religion Editor for *The Blade*, conducted the interview on March 10, 2015.
 - Radio interview regarding his talks, for live broadcast on *Annunciation Radio* (the radio station of the Diocese of Toledo), on March 14, 2015.

- Presented two lectures at the conference, which was held in Toledo, OH, on March 14, 2015:
 - “Pursuing Holiness in Ordinary Life.” One of the main lectures for the conference.
 - “Building Blocks for a Spiritual Plan of Life.” Lecture, which Dr. Morrow delivered twice, back-to-back, during the workshop sessions of the conference. The talk addressed various spiritual practices (morning offering, Mass, Confession, examinations of conscience, spiritual reading, etc.) as building blocks for a spiritual plan of life for those who have hectic family and work lives.
 - Presented “Catholic Apologetics.” Lecture, for the *New Energies* Lenten seminar, at Church of the Assumption, Roselle Park, NJ, on March 24, 2015.
- ❖ **Reverend Monsignor Joseph R. Reilly, S.T.L., Ph.D.**, Rector/Dean, presented “The Scars I Have that Nobody Sees: Living With, Through and Beyond Our Wounds.” Prayer and Spirituality presentation, for the Lenten Adult Spirituality Forum *FAITH QUEST 2015*, at Notre Dame Parish, North Caldwell, NJ, on March 18, 2015. *FAITH QUEST* began in 2007 as part of the Archdiocese of Newark’s *New Energies* Initiative. The four cluster parishes of West Essex—St. Aloysius, Caldwell; Notre Dame, North Caldwell; Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament, Roseland; and St. Thomas More, Fairfield, collaborated to develop this Lenten adult education and information program.

- ❖ **Reverend Thomas G. Guarino, K.H.S., S.T.D.**, Professor of Systematic Theology, presented “Evangelicals and Catholics Together at Twenty: Theological and Philosophical Reflections.” Faculty Day lecture, at Sacred Heart Major Seminary, Detroit, MI, on April 14, 2015.
- ❖ **Reverend Lawrence B. Porter, K.H.S., Ph.D.**, Professor of Systematic Theology and Director, Turro Seminary Library, presented “Holy Names: God’s and Yours.” Lecture on the importance of names in biblical and Christian tradition, for the men of the Holy Name Society, at St. Agnes Parish, Clark, NJ, on April 14, 2015.
- ❖ **Reverend Monsignor Joseph R. Chapel, S.T.D.**, Associate Professor of Moral Theology (currently on leave as Spiritual Director of Casa Santa Maria, the Pontifical North American College, Rome), was interviewed on a daily Italian radio show on the *TV2000* Catholic network, following Pope Francis’ visit to the Pontifical North American College. [The interview](#) was conducted by Gennaro Ferrara with Marco Burini, and aired on May 4, 2015.

Special Events

- ❖ Immaculate Conception Seminary School of Theology sponsored the following:
 - From December 2014 through June 2015, Immaculate Conception Seminary School of Theology’s Institute for Christian Spirituality is offering a series of retreats titled ***70x7: Faith, Family, and Forgiveness, Part II***. Held at Notre Dame of Mount Carmel Parish, Cedar Knolls, NJ, and St. Paul Inside the Walls: The Catholic Center for Evangelization at Bayley-Ellard, Madison, NJ, the retreats consider the power of forgiveness through the inspiring lens of Scripture, great books, music and film. With

music, prayer and conversation, each of the seven days is designed to lead retreatants on a transformative journey of forgiveness from spiritual imprisonment to true freedom, so that they may be able to experience, as Pope Francis encourages, “the joy of forgiveness.” Thus far, the Institute has offered the following retreats:

- “‘Father, forgive them for they know not what they do’: Forgiveness as Redemptive Suffering.” 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; and with a performance by **Keaton Douglas**, ICSST student, professional soprano and composer, at St. Paul Inside the Walls: The Catholic Center for Evangelization at Bayley-Ellard, Madison, NJ, on March 28, 2015.
- “The Spirit of Forgiveness in *Les Misérables* and *Anna Karenina*.” By **Gregory Y. Glazov, D.Phil. (Oxon.)**, Associate Professor of Biblical Studies; and with a performance by **Keaton Douglas**, ICSST student, professional soprano and composer, at Notre Dame of Mount Carmel Parish, Cedar Knolls, NJ, on April 11, 2015.
- “Love and Forgiveness: The Witness of Prisoners of Auschwitz.” By **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; and with a performance by **Keaton Douglas**, ICSST student, professional soprano and composer, at Notre Dame of Mount Carmel Parish, Cedar Knolls, NJ, on May 9, 2015.
- “Reforming a Challenged Church: Six Lessons from Church History.” Lecture, presented by **Christopher Bellitto, Ph.D.**, Associate Professor of History at Kean

University, as part of the *Archbishop Gerety Lecture Series*, in the Seminary's Chapel of the Good Shepherd, South Orange, NJ, on April 14, 2015.

- **“*Evangelii Gaudium: The Joy of the Gospel.*”** Day of theological studies, facilitated by **Diane M. Carr, M.A. '07**, Coordinator of Graduate and International Services; Coordinator of the Prayerfully Speaking Initiative, Institute for Christian Spirituality; and Adjunct Professor of Pastoral Theology, at Immaculate Conception Seminary School of Theology, Seton Hall University, South Orange, NJ, on April 18, 2015. The day included Mass in the Chapel of Christ the Good Shepherd and the following classes taught by Seminary faculty:
 - “From Joy to Mission: Why ‘Useless’ Missionaries Are What the World Needs Most.” By **Justin M. Anderson, Ph.D.**, Assistant Professor of Moral Theology.
 - “The Gospel and the Transformation of Sorrow into Joy.” By **Gregory Y. Glazov, D.Phil. (Oxon.)**, Associate Professor of Biblical Studies.
 - “The Gospel: A Challenge as Well as a Joy.” By **Reverend Lawrence B. Porter, K.H.S., Ph.D.**, Professor of Systematic Theology and Director, Turro Seminary Library.
 - “Spirit-Filled Evangelizers.” By **Reverend Monsignor Raymond J. Kupke, Ph.D.**, Adjunct Professor of Church History.
 - “A Theological Look at Pope Francis’ Call for Evangelization in *Evangelii Gaudium.*” By **Jeffrey L. Morrow, Ph.D.**, Associate Professor of Undergraduate Theology.
- **“Religious Freedom and Religious Conflict: *Dignitatis Humanae* in the 21st Century.”** Conversation, with guest speakers **Mary Ellen O’Connell**, the Robert and Marion Short Professor of Law and Research Professor of International Dispute Resolution-Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies, University of Notre Dame,

and **Robin W. Lovin**, Director of Research at CTI, the Cary Maguire University Professor of Ethics emeritus at Southern Methodist University, and former president of the Society of Christian Ethics. ICSST's **Reverend Thomas G. Guarino, K.H.S., S.T.D.**, Professor of Systematic Theology, organized and moderated this academic event commemorating the fiftieth anniversary of Vatican II's *Dignitatis Humanae* (Declaration on Religious Freedom). The event was held in the Seminary's Chapel of Christ the Good Shepherd, South Orange, NJ, on April 28, 2015.

- ❖ Immaculate Conception Seminary School of Theology co-sponsored with Seton Hall University's Joseph A. Unanue Latino Institute and the Office of the President **“Pope Francis and the Hispanic Presence in the Church.”** Lecture, by His Eminence Cardinal Seán Patrick O'Malley, Archbishop of Boston, at Seton Hall University, South Orange, NJ, on April 22, 2015.

Mission and Service

- ❖ **Kimberly A. Mailley, B.S.**, Coordinator of Programs, Center for Diaconal Formation and Coordinator, Seminary's Theological Education for Parish Services (STEPS), represented Immaculate Conception Seminary School of Theology on the Seton Hall University committee to select the winners of the 11th Annual Student Servant Leader Awards, during Spring 2015.
- ❖ **Jeffrey L. Morrow, Ph.D.**, Associate Professor of Undergraduate Theology:
 - Presented “The Eucharist.” Lecture, for parents of students in the CCD program at Church of the Assumption, Roselle Park, NJ, on March 1, 2015.

- Served as moderator of the General Session on Marital Love, for the New Jersey Region of the International Federation for Family Development's Family Enrichment Program, in South Orange, NJ, on March 8, 2015.

❖ **Reverend Lawrence B. Porter, K.H.S., Ph.D.**, Professor of Systematic Theology and Director, Turro Seminary Library:

- Presented "Catholics and the Bible." Lenten retreat, at St. Michael Catholic Community, West Gate Chapel, Eglin Air Force Base, FL, from March 10-12, 2015.
- Delivered the invocation at Seton Hall University's 2015 Research Awards Luncheon, at Seton Hall University, South Orange, NJ, on April 14, 2015.
- Sponsored "Notes of Distinction." Benefit concert in support of the College Seminary at St. Andrew's Hall, at Seton Hall University, South Orange, NJ, on April 28, 2015.

❖ **Reverend W. Jerome Bracken, C.P., Ph.D.**, Associate Professor of Moral Theology, served as presenter and responder at a young adult discussion session on "Love Is Our Mission" and Sexual Morality. At the session, which was held at St. Bartholomew Parish, Scotch Plains, NJ, on March 21, 2015, Father Bracken answered questions about the virtue of chastity, dating, purity in relationships, modesty, same sex orientation, and the theology of the body regarding procreation and childlessness.

❖ **Justin M. Anderson, Ph.D.**, Assistant Professor of Moral Theology, presented "Aquinas & Amazing Grace." Lecture, for Seton Hall University Campus Ministry, at Seton Hall University, South Orange, NJ, on April 9, 2015.

- ❖ Six faculty members of Immaculate Conception Seminary School of Theology served as assessors and examiners for candidates in the Pastoral Provision. These candidates are married former Anglican priests who have converted to Roman Catholicism and seek ordination as Catholic priests. This service was rendered at Immaculate Conception Seminary, South Orange, NJ, on April 9 and 10, 2015, by the following ICSST faculty members:
 - **Justin M. Anderson, Ph.D.**, Assistant Professor of Moral Theology.
 - **Reverend Monsignor Gerard H. McCarren, S.T.D.**, Associate Professor of Systematic Theology and Spiritual Director.
 - **Reverend Lawrence B. Porter, K.H.S., Ph.D.**, Professor of Systematic Theology and Director, Turro Seminary Library.
 - **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.
 - **Reverend Monsignor Robert J. Wister, Hist.Eccl.D.**, Professor of Church History.
 - **Reverend Monsignor C. Anthony Ziccardi, S.S.L, S.T.D.**, Adjunct Professor of Biblical Studies.

- ❖ **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, presented “Women at the Tomb.” Scriptural meditation, the first of a three-part series, *Inspirational Mornings of Reflection: A Spiritual Adventure with Women in Scripture*, for wives of permanent deacons and deacon candidates, sponsored by Immaculate

Conception Seminary School of Theology's Center for Diaconal Formation, at Seton Hall University, South Orange, NJ, on April 25, 2015.

Publications

- ❖ **Reverend Thomas G. Guarino, K.H.S., S.T.D.**, Professor of Systematic Theology, published the following:
 - Book review of: *The Architecture of Theology*, by A. N. Williams (Oxford, 2011). *The Thomist* 78 (January 2014): 141-45.
 - Article on the website of the journal *First Things*: [“ECT at Twenty: A Joint Witness to the Gospel.”](#) (March 13, 2015).

- ❖ **Jeffrey L. Morrow, Ph.D.**, Associate Professor of Undergraduate Theology, published the following:
 - Two book reviews:
 - [Book review of: *Escudriñar las Escrituras: Verbum Domini y la interpretación bíblica*](#), edited by Luis Sánchez Navarro. *Review of Biblical Literature* (March 2015): 1-5.
 - [Book review of: *Tempel im Alten Orient*](#), edited by Kai Kaniuth, Anne Löhnert, Jared L. Miller, Adelheid Otto, Michael Roaf, and Walther Sallaberger. *Review of Biblical Literature* (May 2015): 1-4.
 - A journal article: “Spinoza’s Use of the Psalms in the Context of his Political Project.” *Interdisciplinary Journal of Research on Religion* 11, no. 1 (2015): 1-18.
 - A magazine article: [“The Crises of Saints.”](#) *Crisis* (May 5, 2015): 1-3.

Conferences, Meetings, and Symposia

- ❖ **Deacon Andrew E. Saunders, M.A. '08**, Director, Center for Diaconal Formation, as chairman of the Finance Committee of the National Association of Diaconate Directors (NADD), presented to the membership the association's proposed 2016 budget, which was voted on and approved, at "Deacon: Servant of Christ's Mercy," the NADD conference, held in Minneapolis, MN, from April 22-24, 2015.

Other Scholarly and Professional Activity

- ❖ **Reverend Thomas G. Guarino, K.H.S., S.T.D.**, Professor of Systematic Theology:
 - Served as external reviewer for a professor's application for promotion in rank at a New Jersey university, in March 2015.
 - Peer-reviewed an article for *Modern Theology*, during spring 2015.