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Pontifical University of St. Thomas
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Roma, RM

EDUCATION

Pontifical University of St. Thomas Aquinas (Rome)

Doctorate in Spiritual Theology (in progress) 2022–present
Proposed Thesis: “*Phronesis* and Sanctification: A Thomistic Reception of Newman’s
Theology of Conscience”

Pontifical Faculty of the Immaculate Conception (Washington, D.C.)

Licentiate in Sacred Theology 2014–2016
Thesis: “Newman’s Critique of Liberalism in Religion”
Lectio Coram: “The Satisfaction Theory of Atonement in Aquinas and the Fathers”

Pontifical Faculty of the Immaculate Conception (Washington, D.C.)

Bachelor of Sacred Theology and Master of Divinity 2010–2015

Denison University (Granville, Ohio)

Bachelor of Arts 1999–2003
Majors: Philosophy and Latin
Honors Thesis: “Martial’s Epigrams as Satire”
Senior Philosophy Colloquium: “Aquinas’s Proof for the Immortality of the Soul”
Finalist for the President’s Medal

WORK AND VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

St. Patrick Parish | Columbus, OH June 2016–June 2022
Parochial Vicar

- Director of Liturgy and Liturgical Ministries (2016–2019)
- Director of Youth Ministry (2018–2021)
- Director of RCIA (2021–2022)

Dominican Province of St. Joseph | Eastern U.S. June 2018–June 2022
Promoter of the Rosary
Director of the Confraternity of the Most Holy Rosary

St. Agnes Boys School | New York, NY July 2004–July 2007
High School Teacher, Mathematics and Religion

St. Clement Pope Grammar School | Queens, NY July 2003–July 2004
Second Grade Teacher (Full-time Volunteer)

PUBLISHED ARTICLES

“*Ad Orientem* and Absolutism”

First Things, Web Exclusive, September 20, 2016

“Why Thomism?”

Permanent feature at *Dominicana Journal* (dominicanajournal.org) since May 1, 2015

Regular Contributions to *Dominicana Journal* (dominicanajournal.org)

- Regular contributor, 2011–2013
- Editor, 2012–2013

TEACHING

RCIA Instructor

- St. Patrick Parish, Columbus, OH, August 2021–June 2022

Adjunct Theology Instructor, Pontifical College Josephinum (Columbus, Ohio)

- Taught *Salvation History*, a required introductory course for college seminarians and pre-theologians, Fall 2017. Received superlative peer and student teaching evaluations.

High School Teacher

- Religion and Mathematics, St. Agnes Boys School, New York, NY, July 2004–July 2007

Senior Teaching Assistant

- Denison University, Dr. Anthony Lisska’s *Intro to Philosophy* course, Fall of 2002

SELECTED RETREATS AND PRESENTATIONS

“The Last Things”

Retreat for the Monastery of Our Lady of Grace, North Guilford, CT, October 23–30, 2020

“The Eucharist and Friendship”

Retreat for the Dominican Sisters of St. Cecilia, Nashville, TN, June 2–9, 2018

“Got Hope?”

Parish Mission, Immaculate Conception Church, Columbus, OH, March 3–6, 2018

“Why the Church?” and “Why Christianity?”

Adult Education Series, St. Thomas Aquinas Church, Zanesville, OH, June–July 2015

LANGUAGE PROFICIENCIES

Latin: advanced reading

Greek: proficient reading

Italian: advanced reading, intermediate speaking

French: basic reading