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Presentation

A religious priest of the Congregation of Saint John (ordained 2009), Fr. Gabriel Mary (baptized David John) Fiore has years of experience in educational ministries for laity, religious, priests, and seminarians. Since obtaining a License in Sacred Theology (2018), he began to publish articles in peer-reviewed journals of spirituality and to teach for the Pontifical University of Saint Thomas (Angelicum) in Rome. Having recently published his doctoral dissertation, he continues to serve the Church in Europe and the United States through teaching Catholic spirituality and related ministries.

Education

Bachelor of Arts in Philosophy and Classical Literature, University of Arizona (1993-98).

Studies in Philosophy and Theology at the *studia* of the Congregation of St. John, France (2000-06).

Bachelor of Sacred Theology, Pontifical University of the Holy Cross (2006-08).

Master of Arts in Theology (dogmatics, research section), Seton Hall University (2013-16).
Dissertation: "The Nature and Vocation of Woman according to John Paul II."

License of Sacred Theology, Pontifical University of Saint Thomas (2016-18). Tesina: "Rethinking the Spiritual Gospel: A Critical Review of the Scholarly Literature on Johannine Spirituality."

Doctor of Sacred Theology, PUST (magna cum laude, May 27, 2022). Dissertation: "Spirituality in John's Gospel: Historical Developments and Critical Foundations."

Publications

« Comme un père pour ses enfants : la paternité spirituelle de saint Paul. » *Aletheia-Ecole Saint Jean* 35 (2009): 73-92.

"Ignatian Perseverance: Guidance from St Ignatius of Loyola for Those Tempted to Abandon a Permanent Vocation." *The Way* 58, no.1 (Jan 2019): 77-90.

"Silence before God in the Life and Writings of Saint Thomas Aquinas." *Nova et Vetera* 19, no.1 (Winter 2021): 1-19.

"The Garment of Lovers: Learning from the Wounds of Love and Longing in the Poetry of Saint John of the Cross." *Carmel in the World* 59, no.2 (2020): 94-112.

Spirituality in John's Gospel: Historical Developments and Critical Foundations. Eugene: Pickwick (available Dec. 2023).

"What is Spirituality? Clarifying a Term Vital for Contemporary Theology." *Aletheia-Ecole Saint Jean* (forthcoming, Dec. 2023).

University Teaching

Assistant Professor of Theology, Pontifical University of Saint Thomas in Rome (2020-present)

- "The Spirituality of Augustine" (sS2579, Fall 2020, Fall 2023)

- “The Gifts of the Holy Spirit in the Christian Life” (sS3383, Fall 2020)
- “Acedia, Desolation, and Other Spiritual Afflictions” (sS3385, Spring 2020, Fall 2022)
- “In the Footsteps of the Beloved Disciple: Joh. Spirituality in the Church” (sP3380, Fall 2020)
- “Spiritual Direction for Religious” (SE3589, Fall 2022, Fall 2023)
- “Pathways to Spiritual Growth” (SE3604, Spring 2023)
- “Spiritual Giants of the 16th Century: Ignatius of Loyola, Teresa of Avila, and John of the Cross” (sP 3629, Fall 2023)

Educational Ministries

Assistant professor of philosophy and theology for the Community of St. John in France (2008-10)

- Assistant novice master, contributing to the human and spiritual development of young religious from a wide variety of cultural, linguistic, and educational backgrounds.
- Taught undergraduate-level philosophy classes for student brothers and young laity.
- Gave weekly methodology seminar on the critical reading of texts, writing, and basic study skills and assisted students with individual research projects and learning challenges.
- Taught systematic theology “De Deo Uno” at *studium* of religious nuns (Semur-en-Brionnais).

Campus Minister at Seton Hall University, S. Orange, New Jersey (2010-13)

- Collaborated with professors and large staff of lay and consecrated ministers.
- Provided sacraments, spiritual direction, and pastoral care for students and professors.
- Gave informal talks and led discussion groups in philosophy and theology for young adults.

Formation of Seminarians at Immaculate Conception Seminary, S. Orange, New Jersey (2011-16)

- Member of spiritual direction team, meeting monthly with individual seminarians (2 years).
- Workshops for seminarians on priestly spirituality and understanding religious life (3 years).

Pastor of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish in Orange, New Jersey (2013—16)

- Developed pastoral and administrative skills, while learning to build community in an urban parish consisting mainly of Italian, Nigerian, Haitian, and Central American immigrants.
- Taught adult catechesis for Latino immigrants, many of whom were functionally illiterate.

Seminars and Retreats for Communities of Religious Women (2015—19)

- Gave philosophy and theology seminars for young sisters in initial formation as well as renewal seminars for older, professed sisters of the Missionaries of Charity in the Russian-Slavic province, with needed adaptations for an eager public with little academic preparation.
- Preached retreats for the Missionaries of Charity in the US, Haiti, and Russian regions.
- Gave theology seminars and preached retreats for Carmelite monasteries and for the Contemplative Sisters of Saint John in the US and Lithuania.

Associate Professor of Spiritual Theology at Ecole Saint John (Fley, France) an accredited antenna of the Angelicum University (2020—present)

- Lecture courses : « La spiritualité johannique dans la Tradition de l’Eglise » (Spring 2020 and Spring 2022) ; « Les pères du désert et les débuts du monachisme » (Fall 2021) ; « Maitres espagnols du 16^e : Thérèse d’Avila et Ignace de Loyola » (Spring 2023)

Honors

- Scholarship from Classical Association of the Middle West and South (CAMWS) for outstanding undergraduate studies in Latin and Greek classics, 1995.
- John Paul II prize for best master's research project in theology, Seton Hall University, 2016.

Academic Associations

- Society for the Study of Christian Spirituality (SSCS), Member since 2023.
- Journal, "Aletheia-Ecole Saint Jean" (postulating for peer-reviewed status), editorial board since 2023.