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## **Third-level education and qualifications**

- Trinity College, Dublin, 1981-1985: **BA Hons.** degree in Irish and French
- Trinity College, Dublin, 1987-1988: **Higher Diploma in Education**
- University College, Dublin, 1989-1992: **BA** (evening) degree in philosophy and music
- National University of Ireland, Maynooth, February 1994-1999: **PhD** in philosophy.
- St. Patrick's College, Maynooth, Co. Kildare, 1999-2002: **BD** (Bachelor of Divinity)
- Tilburg University, the Netherlands, 2010-2013: **PhD** in theology.

## **Other qualifications**

- **ALCM**: associate diploma in piano performance, awarded by the London College of Music, 1992.
- **LLCM**: licentiate diploma in church organ performance, awarded by the London College of Music, 1995.

## **STB course taught at Pontificia Università S. Tommaso d'Aquino**

- Theology of Grace

## **STB seminar taught at Pontificia Università S. Tommaso d'Aquino**

- The Fulfilment of the Moral Life in Christ

## **Licentiate courses taught at Pontificia Università S. Tommaso d'Aquino**

- The Transformation Wrought By Grace
- "The Light of Thy Countenance, O Lord, Is Signed Upon Us": St. Thomas's Theology of the Natural Law
- Human Embodiment and Ethics
- The Reality of Sin
- The Fulfilment of the Moral Life in Christ
- Priestly Perfection: Understanding the Priestly Vocation in the Light of St. Thomas Aquinas

## **Licentiate seminars (theology) taught at Pontificia Università S. Tommaso d'Aquino**

- The History of Moral Theology
- The Virtue of Temperance

## **Licentiate course (philosophy) taught at Pontificia Università S. Tommaso d'Aquino**

- The Aesthetics of St. Thomas Aquinas

## **Doctoral seminar (theology) directed at Pontificia Università S. Tommaso d'Aquino**

- Methodology Seminar

## **Publications**

### Books

- *Aesthetic Perception: A Thomistic Perspective* (Dublin: Four Courts Press, 2007).
- *The Hermeneutics of Knowing and Loving in the Thought of St. Thomas Aquinas* (Leuven: Peeters, 2013).

### Articles in academic journals

1. 'Efficient and final causality and the human desire for happiness in the *Summa Theologiae* of Thomas Aquinas,' *The Modern Schoolman* 82 (2004), 33-58.
2. 'The vision of virtue and knowledge of the natural law in the thought of Thomas Aquinas,' *Nova et Vetera* 5 (2007), 41-65.
3. 'Objective prejudice: St Thomas on the transformation by grace of the life of reason,' *Angelicum* 84 (2007), 59-95.
4. 'Hursthouse's virtue ethics: neo-Aristotelian or postcartesian?,' *Nova et Vetera* 6 (2008), 307-327. An earlier version was published in *Proceedings, Metaphysics 2003: Second World Conference*, Vol. II, *Metaphysics and Ethics* (Fondazione Idente di Studi e di Ricerca), 53-59.
5. 'St. Thomas's moral psychology and the rejection of *Humanae Vitae*,' *Nova et Vetera* 6 (2008), 837-856.
6. 'From medieval voluntarism to Hursthouse's virtue ethics,' *The Thomist* 73 (2009), 621-646.
7. 'Anscombe on a *Law* conception of ethics and the experience of obligation,' *The Heythrop Journal* 51 (2010), 208-213.
8. 'The *Apology*: an introduction to the dynamics of the moral life,' *Prājña Vihāra* 11 (2010), 35-52.
9. 'Medieval voluntarism and the culture of death,' *Studia Moralia* 48 (2010), 195-212.
10. 'Human reason, the inclination to procreation and education of offspring, and society,' *New Blackfriars* 92 (2011), 308-317.
11. 'On the alleged physicalism of St Thomas Aquinas at *S.Theol.*, I-II, 94, 2,' *Angelicum* 88 (2011), 231-243.
12. 'Transcending Gadamer: towards a participatory hermeneutics,' *The Review of Metaphysics* 65 (2012), 841-860.
13. 'The significance of worship in the thought of Thomas Aquinas: some reflections,' *International Philosophical Quarterly* 53 (2013), 451-460.
14. 'The Church as the defender of conscience in our age,' *Nova et Vetera* 12 (2013), 193-215.
15. 'Gender construction and the human person as psychosomatically constituted,' *Studia Moralia* 51 (2014), 143-156.
16. 'Hermeneutics and preaching the Word,' *New Blackfriars* 96 (2015), 12-21.
17. 'The Eucharist and the politics of love according to Thomas Aquinas,' *The Heythrop Journal* 61 (2015), 399-410.
18. 'By nature and by grace: the life of mind in Aquinas's *Summa Theologiae*,' *Angelicum* 91 (2014), 609-636.

19. 'The historical, religious and political significance of art: a cautionary note,' *Forum: Supplement to Acta Philosophica* 1 (2015), <http://forum-phil.pusc.it/articoli/v01-a17>
20. 'The temporality of prudence in Thomas Aquinas: towards a participatory construal of Heidegger's *Sorge*,' *American Catholic Philosophical Quarterly* 90 (2016), 499-538.
21. 'God, the university, and human flourishing,' *Nova et Vetera* 14 (2016), 892-916.
22. 'Aesthetics, hermeneutics, and the liturgical transmission of the Word,' *Angelicum* 93 (2016), 631-654.
23. 'Recognition of the existence of God and the experience of beauty according to St. Thomas Aquinas,' *Przegląd Tomistyczny* 22 (2016), 331-344.
24. 'The university curriculum construed in the light of faith,' *New Blackfriars* 98 (2017), 373-386.
25. "'Father, if it be possible, let this chalice pass from me": Christ's prayer in Gethsemane according to St. Thomas,' *Nova et Vetera* 15 (2017), 503-526.
26. 'St. Thomas on adoration: some reflections,' *Nova et Vetera* 16 (2018), 861-879.
27. 'Thomas Aquinas on abstinence and fasting: participating in Christ's cruciform wisdom,' *Pro Ecclesia* 28 (2019), 385-402
28. 'The psychology of lust,' *Divinitas* (2019), 301-320
29. 'The theological hermeneutics of St. Thomas and Benedict XVI,' *Angelicum* 97 (2020), 39-67
30. 'The epistemic wreckage wrought by lust: St. John Paul II's *Theology of the Body* illuminated by St. Thomas Aquinas's moral psychology,' *Angelicum* 97 (2020), 177-199
31. 'St. Thomas Aquinas and Ratzinger/Benedict XVI on the Body and Adoration,' *Nova et Vetera* 19 (2021), 613-632
32. 'The psychology of lust,' *Divinitas* 62 (2019), 301-20
33. "'The Light of Thy Countenance, O Lord, Is Signed Upon Us: Ps. 4:7 and the Christological foundations of the natural law,'" *The Thomist* 86 (2022): 335-72
34. 'The Gift of Counsel, Infused Prudence, and the Natural Law,' *European Journal for the Study of Thomas Aquinas* 40 (2022): 45-77
35. 'Virtue Theory and Musical Appreciation,' *Angelicum* 99 (2022): 591-611
36. "Priestly Celibacy as a Participation in Christ's Priesthood' *Annales Theologici* (forthcoming)
37. Invited article submission: 'St. Thomas on devotion and intelligence,' *Intelligence and Will in Thomas Aquinas (Textes et Etudes du Moyen Âge)*, eds. Enrique Alarcón Moreno and Piotr Roszak (Brepols)

#### Articles co-authored

1. With Carole M. Brown, 'John Paul II and the New Evangelization,' *The Heythrop Journal* 58 (2017), 917-930.

#### Conference proceedings

1. 'Humanae Vitae and chastity' in *Fertility and Gender*, ed. Helen Watt (Oxford: Anscombe Bioethics Centre, 2011), 125-135.
2. 'Patiens Divina in the *Summa Theologiae*: a key to understanding Thomas's experience during Mass at the Chapel of St. Nicholas, Naples, on 6 December 1273,' in *Initiation and Mystagogy in Thomas Aquinas: Scriptural, Systematic, Sacramental and Moral, and Pastoral Perspectives*, eds. H.J.M. Schoot, J.

Verburgt, and J. Vijgen (Utrecht/Leuven: Thomas Instituut/Peeters, 2019), 223-250

#### Articles in Irish publications

1. 'Knowledge *per modum inclinationis* and the judgement of the man learned in moral science,' *Voices of Irish Philosophy: The Yearbook of the Irish Philosophical Society* (2001), 147-161.
2. 'Beauty and the transcendentals in the thought of Aquinas,' *Maynooth Philosophical Papers* (2002), 85-96.

#### Articles in other journals and books

1. 'Same-sex marriage,' *Position Paper* 410 (2008), 63-66.
2. 'Same-sex 'marriage',' *Position Paper* 432 (2009), 388-90.
3. '*Humanae Vitae* and human embodiment,' in *New Perspectives in the Irish Catholic Tradition*, ed. Gavan Jennings (Newcastle upon Tyne: Cambridge Scholars Publishing, 2009), 79-80.
4. 'Human reason and the inclination to procreation and education of offspring,' in *New Perspectives*, 109-116.
5. 'Colonization of conscience,' *Position Paper* 435 (2010): 94-96.
6. '*Humanae Vitae* and human embodiment,' *Position Paper* 437 (2010):
7. 'From *Humanae Vitae* to *Evangelium Vitae*' *Position Paper* 440/441 (2010): 260-262.
8. 'Trinity, Church, and conscience according to John Paul II,' in *JPII: Access All Areas: The Thought of the Saint* (Cork: One by One Press, 2014), 70-76.
9. 'Science, philosophy, and abortion,' *Position Papers: A Review of Catholic Affairs* 503 (2016), 14-16.
10. 'The vocation to beauty,' *Position Papers: A Review of Catholic Affairs* 522 (2018), 22-25. The original text as well as a translation into Italian by Ettore Maria Mazzola, entitled 'Architettura, una luce di Speranza,' can be found at <http://www.picweb.it/emm/blog/index.php/2018/08/31/architettura-una-luce-di-speranza/>

#### Foreword

Heather M. Erb, *The Path of Spiritual Happiness* (St. Louis, MO: En Route Books and Media, 2016), 8-11.

#### Occasional articles

1. 'Power to undermine the institutional Church: a critical view of the recently launched power to change campaign,' in *The Irish Family*, Friday 11 October, 2002, 13.
2. 'The Same-sex Marriage Debate' in *The Irish Catholic*, Thursday 23 November 2006, 16-17.
3. 'The Problem with Gay Marriage' in *The Irish Catholic*, Thursday 17 July, 2008, 5.
4. '*Humanae Vitae* and human embodiment' in *The Irish Catholic*, Thursday 7 August 2008.
5. 'Cahal B. Cardinal Daly: an intellectual appreciation,' *Intercom* (March 2010), 26-27.

6. 'Critique of Church's stance on ordination of women seriously flawed,' *The Irish Times*, Friday 13 August 2010 (<http://www.irishtimes.com/opinion/critique-of-church-s-stance-on-ordination-of-women-seriously-flawed-1.637439>)
7. 'Monthly Musings,' in *Alive!*, February 2014, 4.
8. 'Religion and science not opposed,' in *Alive!*, March 2014, 12.
9. 'Preaching the Word is central to Church mission,' in *The Irish Catholic*, Thursday 3 April, 2014, 12 (<http://www.irishcatholic.ie/article/preaching-word-central-church-mission>)
10. 'Monthly Musings,' in *Alive!*, July/August 2016, 4.
11. 'The rich vocation to beauty,' in *The Irish Catholic*, Thursday 16 February 2017 (<http://www.irishcatholic.ie/article/rich-vocation-beauty>)
12. 'Nuns should stand up for life and pull out of deal,' *The Irish Catholic*, Thursday 1 June 2017 (<http://irishcatholic.ie/article/nuns-should-stand-life-and-pull-out-deal>)
13. 'Sisters of Charity must reject any NMH deal that will destroy innocent human life,' *The Irish Times*, Tuesday 13 June 2017 (<http://www.irishtimes.com/opinion/sisters-of-charity-must-reject-any-nmh-deal-that-will-destroy-innocent-life-1.3117120>)
14. 'How can Catholic politicians approach issues like euthanasia and abortion?' in *The Irish Catholic*, Thursday 31 December 2020
15. 'Priesthood and gender,' in *Alive!*, June 2022, 13
16. 'The Sacrament of Penance and Priesthood,' in *Alive!*, June 2022, 19
17. 'Doctrine development makes explicit in faith what was previously implicit,' *The Irish Times*, 12 September 2022 (<https://www.irishtimes.com/opinion/2022/09/12/doctrine-development-makes-explicit-in-faith-what-was-previously-implicit/>)
18. 'Benedict the Great,' *Alive!*, February 2023, 9

#### Book reviews in academic journals

1. *Irish Theological Quarterly* 67 (2002), 294-6: Thomas Aquinas, *Disputed Questions on Virtue: Quaestio Disputata de Virtutibus in Communi and Quaestio Disputata de Virtutibus Cardinalibus* (Indiana: St. Augustine's Press, 1999).
2. *Irish Theological Quarterly* 70 (2005), 291-2: Thomas D'Aquin, *Commentaire de la première épître aux corinthiens complété par la postille sur la première épître aux corinthiens (chap. 7, 10b au chap. 10, 33) de Pierre de Tarentaise* (Paris: Les Éditions du Cerf, 2002).
3. *The Review of Metaphysics*, 59 (2006), 903-4: Robert C. Solomon, *Not Passion's Slave: Emotions and Choice* (NY: OUP, 2003).
4. *The Review of Metaphysics* 61 (2007): Adrian J. Reimers, *The Soul of the Person: A Contemporary Philosophical Psychology* (CUA, 2006)
5. *Irish Theological Quarterly* 83 (2008), 386-88: *The Ethics of Aquinas*, ed. Stephen J. Pope (Washington, D.C.: Georgetown University Press, 2002).
6. *Irish Theological Quarterly* 83 (2008), 388-390: *Indubitanter ad Veritatem: Studies Offered to Leo J. Elders in Honour of the Golden Jubilee of his Ordination to the Priesthood*, ed. Jörgen Vijgen (Budel: Damon, 2003).
7. *Milltown Studies* 61 (2008), 135-138: Mark Sultana, *Self-Deception and Akrasia: A Comparative Conceptual Analysis* (Rome: Editrice Pontificia Università Gregoriana, 2006).

8. *Milltown Studies* 66 (2010), 84-85: D. Vincent Twomey, SVD, *Moral Theology after Humanae Vitae: Fundamental Issues in Moral Theory and Sexual Ethics* (Dublin: Four Courts Press, 2010).
9. *The Heythrop Journal* 52 (2011), 1071-1072: John G. Trapani, Jr., *Poetry, Beauty, and Contemplation: The Complete Aesthetics of Jacques Maritain* (Washington D.C.: The Catholic University of America Press, 2011).
10. *The Heythrop Journal* 56 (2015), 1061-1062. Mark L. Yenson, *Existence as Prayer: The Consciousness of Christ in the Theology of Hans von Balthasar* (New York: Peter Lang, 2014).
11. *Nova et Vetera* 14 (2016), 712-716: Alice M. Ramos, *Dynamic Transcendentals: Truth, Goodness, & Beauty from a Thomistic Perspective* (Washington, D.C.: Catholic University of America Press, 2012).
12. *Nova et Vetera* 16 (2018), 669-672: Anthony McCarthy, *Ethical Sex: Sexual Choices and Their Nature and Meaning* (South Bend, IN: Fidelity Press, 2016).

#### Other reviews

1. *The Irish Catholic*, 29 April 2010: D. Vincent Twomey, SVD, *Moral Theology after Humanae Vitae: Fundamental Issues in Moral Theory and Sexual Ethics* (Dublin: Four Courts Press, 2010).
2. <http://dominicansinteractive.com/book-review-aquinas-a-beginners-guide/> Edward Feser, *Aquinas: A Beginner's Guide* (Oxford: Oneworld, 2010).
3. <http://dominicansinteractive.com/book-review-faith-reason-and-the-existence-of-god/> Denys Turner, *Faith, Reason, and the Existence of God* (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2004)

#### **Papers presented**

1. 'Knowledge *per modum inclinationis* and the judgement of the man learned in moral science.' Annual conference of the Irish Philosophical Society, St. Patrick's College, Maynooth, November 2000.
2. 'Knowledge *per modum inclinationis* and the judgement of the man learned in moral science.' Erasmus Institute Graduate Student Summer School Seminar in Medieval Studies, organised by Notre Dame, Indiana, and held at St. John's University, New York, U.S.A., June 2002.
3. 'Efficient and final causality and the human desire for happiness in the *Summa Theologiae* of Thomas Aquinas'. Conference, *Metaphysics and Mysticism*, organised by the Irish Philosophical Association at the National University of Ireland, Maynooth, April 2003.
4. 'Hursthouse's virtue ethics: neo-Aristotelian or postcartesian?' The *International Metaphysics Conference*, Rome, July 2003.
5. 'What philosophy expects from theology.' The Lonergan Centre, Milltown Institute of Theology and Philosophy, November 2003.
6. 'The vision of virtue and knowledge of the natural law in the thought of Thomas Aquinas.' The National University of Ireland, Maynooth, November, 2004.
7. 'Efficient and final causality, beatitude, and the religious epistemology of Thomas Aquinas'. Staff and postgraduate colloquium, Milltown Institute, November 2005.
8. 'Aquinas on the elevation of reason by grace.' Conference on *Belief and Metaphysics*, Granada, September 2006, organised by the Centre of Theology and Philosophy, University of Nottingham in conjunction with the Instituto de Filosofía Edith Stein de Granada.

9. 'Saint Thomas on the life of the mind: Some theological considerations.' Inaugural Cairde Thomáis Naofa Conference, National University of Maynooth, March 2007.
10. 'Personhood and the ethics of current educational policy.' Conference, *Ethics Across the Curriculum*, organised by the Society for Ethics Across the Curriculum, at the Milltown Institute, Dublin, November 2008.
11. 'Anscombe on a *law* conception of ethics and the experience of obligation.' Conference entitled, 'E. Anscombe's *Intention* and the Renewal of Moral Psychology', Santa Croce University, Rome, February 28-29, 2008.
12. 'From Ockham's voluntaristic natural law to Hursthouse's voluntaristic virtue ethics.' Conference, *Analytic Thomism*, National University of Ireland, Maynooth, 12 April 2008.
13. 'Flesh suffused by spirit and spirit suffused by flesh: the natural inclinations and practical reason.' Conference, *The Grandeur of Reason*, Rome, 1-4 September 2008.
14. 'A hermeneutics of faith.' Conference, *Fede e Ragione*, Santa Croce University, Rome, February 26-27, 2009.
15. 'Gender construction and the human person as psychosomatically constituted.' Conference, *Nature, Culture, Freedom*, Santa Croce University, Rome, February 22-23, 2010.
16. 'The passions, virtue, and reason.' Conference, *Neuroscienza e Azione Morale: Le Condizioni Neurobiologiche dell'Affettività, le Decisioni e le Virtù*, Santa Croce University, Rome, February 28-March 1, 2011.
17. 'Efficient and Final Causality and Participatory Hermeneutics.' Conference, *Recovering Causality: Historical Sources and Systematic Challenges from a Thomistic Perspective*, Angelicum University, Rome, 24-26 June, 2014.
18. 'The historical, religious and political significance of art: a cautionary note.' Conference, *La Filosofia Come Paideia: Sul Ruolo degli Studi Filosofici*, Santa Croce University, Rome, February 23-24, 2015.
19. 'Hermeneutics and preaching the Word' at *A Colloquium on Dei Verbum*, Angelicum University, Rome, February 25-27, 2016.
20. 'The interinvolvement of intellect and will according to Thomas and its hermeneutical signification.' Conference, *Intelligence and Will in Thomas Aquinas*, University of Navarre, Pamplona, Spain, 26-27 April 2018.
21. 'Faith, charity, and *patiens divina* in the *Summa Theologiae*.' Conference, *Initiation and Mystagogy in Thomas Aquinas: Theological, Philosophical, Liturgical, and Pedagogical Perspectives*, Thomas Instituut, Utrecht, Netherlands, 13-15 December, 2018.

### **Invited Speaker**

1. 'Moral psychology and the reception of *Humanae Vitae*.' Conference, '*Humanae Vitae*: 40 Years Later', Ave Maria University, Florida, February 1 and 2, 2008.
2. 'St Thomas and the natural law as a 'work of reason': the alleged physicalism of *ST I-II*, 94, 2.' Annual Aquinas Lecture, the Priory Institute, Tallaght, Dublin, 28 January 2009.
3. 'Justice approached through fortitude and temperance.' Conference on *Leadership and Ethics* at Strathmore University, Nairobi, Kenya, October 29 and 30, 2009.
4. '*Humanae Vitae* and chastity.' Conference, *Fertility, Infertility and Gender*, organized by the Linacre Centre, Maynooth, 16-18 June 2010.

5. 'Some reflections on contemporary Aquinas studies.' Dominican Provincial Study Day, St. Mary's Priory, Tallaght, Dublin, March 7, 2014.
6. 'The temporality of prudence in Thomas Aquinas: towards a participatory construal of Heidegger's *Sorge*.' Institute of Philosophy, Prague, 6 June, 2014.
7. "'Father, if it be possible, let this chalice pass from me": Christ's prayer according to St. Thomas.' The Saint John Paul II Theological Society, St. Patrick's College, Maynooth, 24 March 2015.
8. 'Towards a Thomistic Participatory Aesthetics.' Symposium, *Piękno. Między Wschodem a Zachodem (Beauty: Between East and West)*, organized by *Instytut Tomistyczny* at Narodowy Instytut Audiowizualny, Warsaw, 24 October 2015.
9. "Benedict XVI and Thomas Aquinas," *Biblioteca Ratzinger*, Rome, 22 March 2019.
10. "*Sacrificate sacrificium iustitiae: The Transformation Wrought by the Cross of Christ*," Rome Life Forum, Pontifical University of St. Thomas Aquinas, Rome, 17 May 2019.
11. 'The psychology of lust according to St. Thomas Aquinas.' 5<sup>th</sup> International Symposium on John Paul II's *Theology of the Body*, Rolduc Abbey, Kerkrade, Netherlands, 28-30 June 2019.
12. 'La virtud de la religión,' for the Instituto Mater Dei, Ciempozuelos, Madrid, Spain, August 2022.
13. 'La importancia del estudio – siempre pero especialmente hoy,' for the Mater Dei Institute, Belgrano 1246, Argentina, 20 December 2022.
14. 'St. Thomas on Christ's Priesthood and Manner of Life,' St. Mary's College Oscott, UK, 23 March 2023.
15. 'Contemplating the Word.' Talk given to 'permanent' deacons, St. Mary's College Oscott, UK, 10 September 2023.