

CURRICULUM VITAE

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PERSONAL PROFILE

Legionary of Christ priest. Entered the congregation July 1, 1982. Ordained a priest November 25, 1994.

Born in Tracy, Minnesota, September 8, 1960. Grew up on a small farm in southwestern Minnesota, the second of seven children.

EDUCATION

-S.T.D. in moral theology, Regina Apostolorum Pontifical Athenaeum: *Summa cum laude*, 2020. Doctoral dissertation on the topic “The Truth Will Set You Free: John Paul II’s Personalism as the Key to his Theology of the Body.”

-S.T.L., in moral theology, specializing in marriage and family, Regina Apostolorum Pontifical Athenaeum: *Summa cum laude*, 2001. (Course work completed 1996. Thesis and comprehensive final exam completed February 2001.)

-S.T.B., Regina Apostolorum Pontifical Athenaeum, Rome: *Summa cum laude*, 1994.

-Ph.B., Pontifical Gregorian University, Rome: *Magna cum laude*, 1991.

-Humanities Studies, Salamanca, Spain: *Magna cum laude*, 1984-86.

Novitiate of the Legionaries of Christ, Cheshire, CT, 1982-1984.

-B.A. in philosophy, University of Dallas: *Summa cum laude*, 1982.

FOREIGN LANGUAGES

Modern (spoken, read, written)

Spanish (fluently)

Italian (fluently)

French (not spoken fluently)

Classical

Latin, Greek

PUBLICATIONS

BOOKS

The Splendor of Love: John Paul II's Vision for Marriage and Family (New Hope, KY: New Hope Publications, 2003). 5th printing 2006.

Spanish Edition: *Matrimonio y familia: un nuevo horizonte* published by CFI and CEFID of México. Revised and updated Spanish edition republished by SER Editorial of Guadalajara in November of 2015.

La sexualidad en el amor, SER Editorial of Guadalajara, 2017.

John Paul II: His Thought and Mission — The New Evangelization (Hamden, CT: Circle Press, 1999). Spanish Edition: *Juan Pablo II: Su Pensamiento y Misión — La Nueva Evangelización* (Monterrey: CEFID, 1999).

ARTICLES

“Theology of the Body and the New Evangelization,” *National Catholic Register*, February 25, 2011.

“*Humanae Vitae* at 40: Contraception: Breaking Silence,” *National Catholic Register*, August 10, 2008.

“*Humanae Vitae* at 40: A Great Battle for Love and the Family,” *National Catholic Register*, July 20, 2008.

“Theology of the Body for Six Continents,” *National Catholic Register*, June 24-30, 2007.

“Benedict XI Saves Eros,” *Homiletic and Pastoral Review*, April 2007.

“Theology of the Body for Teens: A Christopher West for High Schoolers,” *National Catholic Register*, May 20-26, 2007.

“Guiding Teens to the Heights: A Powerful New Resource in Theology of the Body,” *National Catholic Register*, November 26-December 2, 2006.

“Marriage Prep with John Paul II,” *National Catholic Register*, Sept. 17-23, 2006.

“Theology of the Body: Teens ‘Get It,’” *National Catholic Register*, Aug. 27-Sept. 2, 2006.

“Contraception and Abortion: The Underlying Link,” United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, Secretariat for Pro-Life Activities, 2005.

Homiletic Resource Packets for *Sacerdos* magazine. (*Sacerdos* is an international magazine for priests with 15,000 subscribers. It is published in English, Spanish, French, Italian, and Portuguese.)

“Margaret Sanger’s Century,” *National Catholic Register*, February 13-19, 2000, p. 9.

“Un don para la Iglesia y el mundo,” *Ecclesia* (Revista de cultura católica), Volumen XIV, número 1, enero-marzo, 2000, pp. 41-53.

“John Paul II, Relativism, and Nationalism,” *Sacerdos*, Year 6, No. 23, September-October, 1999, pp. 12-20.

“Priestly Vocations: An Elusive Goal?” *Sacerdos*, Year 6, No. 21, May-June, 1999, pp. 21-25.

“Person: Relational Being or *Distinctum Subsistens*?” *Christus*, CES, Rome, Spring 1994, pp. 67-83.

PRESENTATIONS

Theology of the Body Presentation at John Paul II Institute for Marriage and Family, Guadalajara, December 2015.

Presentation of *Matrimonio y Familia: un nuevo horizonte* on “Simplemente Adriana” radio program, “Saber Vivir” and “Mujeres en Misión” television programs, Guadalajara, December 2015.

Theology of the Body Presentation to priests, religious, teachers, lawyers and doctors, parents, and young people. Fiji, August 17-27, 2012.

“Chastity and the Gift of Self,” Theology of the Body Presentation at the International Conference of Theology of the Body of John Paul II, Pontifical Athenaeum *Regina Apostolorum*, Rome (November 9-10, 2011).

Theology of the Body Presentation to priests and lay leaders of Kelowna, Canada (January 17-21, 2011)

Theology of the Body Presentation to priests and deacons (August 8, 2009)

Theology of the Body Presentation to Families (August 9, 2009)

-Lexington, KY (“Building Marriages that Last Conference” sponsored by Familia and the Diocese of Lexington)

Theology of the Body Presentation to priests and lay persons

-August 5, 2009, Washington, D.C. (Seminar by the Institute for Psychological Sciences, “Psychology in the Service of Marriage and Family”)

Theology of the Body Presentation/Marriage Renewal

-November 22, 2008, Denver.

Theology of the Body Presentation/Marriage Renewal

-June 28, 2008, Colorado Springs.

Theology of the Body Presentation/Marriage Renewal

-April 19, 2008, Detroit

Theology of the Body Presentation

-March 30, 2008 University of Notre Dame, Edith Stein Project

Theology of the Body Retreat for Young People and Married Couples

-Nov. 30-Dec. 1, 2007 Sisters of Life Retreat Center, Fairfield, CT

Theology of the Body Presentation to High Schoolers/TOB to College Students/TOB to Married Couples/Marriage Renewal, October 19-21, 2007, Detroit

“Speaking the Language of the Body in Truth: Toward a Culture of Life,” 8th Annual Connecticut Respect Life Conference, Oct. 6, 2007 Meriden, CT

Theology of the Body Presentations/Marriage Renewal

-Tulsa, OK (Diocesan Family Life Office) Sept. 7-9, 2007

Theology of the Body Presentations/ “The Future of Marriage” Presentation

-International Youth and Family Encounter, Atlanta, July 26-29, 2007.

Theology of the Body Presentations/Marriage Renewal

-Phoenix (Diocesan Family Life Office) April 27-29, 2007

Theology of the Body Presentations

-Lafayette, LA, Regnum Christi Regional Women’s Convention, March 23-25, 2007

Theology of the Body Presentations/Marriage Renewal

-Cincinnati, February 16-18, 2007

Theology of the Body Presentations/Marriage Renewal/TOB to Priests

-Toledo, OH, April 21-23, 2006

“Overcoming Obstacles to Marital Self-Giving”/TOB Presentations

-National Youth and Family Encounter, San Jose, CA, July 22-24, 2005

The Bioethics Challenge: Defending Human Dignity

-Catholic Youth Group, St. Jean Baptiste Parish, Upper East Side, Manhattan: February 20, 2002

-Catholic Men’s Group, Dallas: February 3-4, 2002

John Paul II’s Theology of the Body: A New Horizon for Marriage and Family

-Catholic Women’s Group, Dallas: February 3, 2002

-New York Diocesan Priests, Thornwood, NY: January 15, 2002

The Bioethics Challenge: Defending Human Dignity

-Catholic Young Men’s National Convention, Edgerton, Wisconsin: Jan. 2-5, 2002

John Paul II’s Theology of the Body: A New Horizon for Marriage and Family

-Family Group of Antigonish, Nova Scotia: November 2001

-FAMILIA (Family Life in America) of Edmonton, Alberta: June 2001.

-Regnum Christi Regional Convention, Edmonton, Alberta: June 2001.

-Men’s Group of Dallas: May 2001.

-International Youth and Family Encounter, Rome: December 2000.

-Family Group of Antigonish, Nova Scotia: November 2000.

-FAMILIA National Convention, St. Louis: June 2000.

The New Evangelization: How to Make It Our Own

-Regnum Christi Young Men’s National Convention, Thornwood, NY: June 2001

-Groups from area parishes, New Britain, CT May-June 2000 (5 sessions)

John Paul II's Christian Feminism

-Regnum Christi Regional Women's Convention, Detroit: October 2001

John Paul II's Christian Humanism

-Legionary of Christ Seminarians and Consecrated Regnum Christi Members,
Thornwood, NY: September 2000.

The Christology of John Paul II

-Regnum Christi Young Men's National Convention, Edmonton, WI: January 1999.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

1997-2017 Teacher at the Novitiate and College of Humanities, Cheshire, CT.
Courses taught: Christology, homiletics, Latin, Greek, Spanish, English, Catechism of the Catholic Church. Classical Seminar on the *Iliad*.

1993-1996 Courses taught in Rome at the International Center for Higher Studies:
Logic, epistemology, metaphysics, fundamental moral theology.

1986-1989 Director of Studies, Immaculate Conception Apostolic School, Center Harbor, New Hampshire (A junior and senior high school for young men who desire to become priests). Courses taught: Latin, Greek, English grammar and literature, algebra, geometry, religion.