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Education

Fordham University—Bronx, New York, 1/98-2/11

Doctor of Philosophy: Historical Theology 2/1/11, Dissertation: “Under Judgment: The Possibility of Eternal Damnation in the Thought of John Henry Newman” (Director Thomas J. Shelley, Readers Joseph T. Lienhard, SJ, and Terrence W. Tilley).

Master of Philosophy 5/01: Historical Theology—GPA 3.9

Master of Arts 5/00

Calvin College—Grand Rapids, Mich., 8/92-5/96

Bachelor of Arts: Philosophy and English—GPA 3.8

Employment and Positions

8/22-present University of St. Thomas (Houston, TX) Associate Professor of Theology
Assistant Director of the Graduate Program in Theology
Chairman of Theology Department (beginning 8/23)

Courses Taught:

LS 1301 Foundations of Liberal Learning
THEOC 1301 Faith, Reason, and Revelation
THEOC 2301 Scripture and Salvation History
THEO 3349 Christ and the Moral Life
THEO/IRST 4339 Celtic Spirituality
CRTW 6315 Style & Form in Literary Non-Fiction
THEO 5339 Christ the Savior
THEO 5349 Christ and the Moral Life
THEO 5383 The Triune God
THEO 5384 Modern Theology II
THEO 6393 John Henry Newman
YSD 6307 Readings in Modern Theology
CU 2209 Christology
CU 2222 Covenant and Kingdom
Independent Study: John Henry Newman on Justification

Graduate Direction

Reader: Sr. Rose Martin Huong Le, OP, “Christ is the Fulfillment of Human Nature:
A Thomistic Response to the Nature-Grace Debate in the Thoughts of Fr. Thomas Joseph White,

O.P.” May 2026.

Reader: Joseph Nemec, “The Philosophy of Tradition and Rowland’s Problematic of Culture in *Gaudium et spes*,” December 2025.

Reader: Harrison Otto, “The Christian Reception of the Themes of Jewish Merkaba Mysticism Through Interiorization With Evagrius Ponticus as a Model,” May 2025.

Reader: Sal Aquila, “*Aequum et Salutare*: The Doxological Structure of Human Happiness,” November 2023.

Committee Work:

Core English Hiring Committee, 2025-26

Faculty Awards Committee 2022-, Committee chair 2025-

Theology Department Hiring Committee 2022-23, 2023-24

International Relations Hiring Committee 2022-23

9/02-6/22 University of St. Thomas (St. Paul, Minn.)

7/20-6/22 Co-director, Terrence J. Murphy Institute for Catholic Thought, Law, and Public Policy

8/16-6/22 Visiting Assistant Professor of Catholic Studies; editor, *Logos: A Journal of Catholic Thought and Culture*; host of *Deep Down Things* podcast starting in 2020

1/16-7/16 Acting Editor, *Logos: A Journal of Catholic Thought and Culture*

9/02-8/16 Adjunct Professor in Departments of Theology and Catholic Studies and at St. Paul Seminary School of Divinity

9/04-12/15 Associate Editor, *Logos: A Journal of Catholic Thought and Culture*.

1/03-8/04 Consulting Editor, *Logos: A Journal of Catholic Thought and Culture*.

Courses taught:

Theology:

THEO 101: Introduction to the Christian Tradition

Catholic Studies:

CATH 101 Search for Happiness in the Catholic Tradition

CATH 201: Paths and Practices in Catholic Spirituality

CATH 301: Catholic Vision

CATH 298: Tolkien and Catholicism (independent study)

CATH 299/487: Many Worlds of G. K. Chesterton

CATH 308 Woman and Man (also taught as independent study)

CATH 397/405: John Henry Newman

CATH 398: Catholic Literature: Sin, Grace, and Redemption

CSMA 519: John Henry Newman (Master’s course) This course taught both in-person and online

CSMA 599: Apocalypse Now: Catholic Thought and Literature About the End of the World (Fall 21)

CSMA 501: Video Games and Christianity (Master’s independent study)

Seminary:

SSPOD 5000: Perspectives on the Church and Vatican II.

Graduate Direction and Committee Work (UST-Minnesota Catholic Studies MA unless otherwise noted):

Reader: Jordan Carew, "Bartolomé de Las Casas and the American Indians," June 2022.
Director: Christopher Fisher, "More and Newman on Conscience and Education," May 2022. (Pass with honors.)
Director: Corey Soper, "Augustine Goes to the Movies: Speculating About Augustine's Reaction to Film Based on His Critiques of the Theater," May 2022.
Reader: Allison Maddock, "Beloved to the End: Life, Hell, and Purgatory in Divine Courtship," May 2022.
Reader: Jack Flaherty, "Spiritual But Not Religious?" May 2022.
Reader: Tommy Welsh, "Shakespeare's *Midsummer Night's Dream*," May 2022.
Reader: Joan Wieland, "A Place of One's Own? Virginia Woolf on Creativity from a Catholic Perspective," May 2022.
Director: Andy Thompson, "Monastic Mediums in an Age of Information," May 2021.
Director: Adam Pilon, "American Religious Liberty," May 2021. (Pass with honors.)
Reader: Richard Whitney, "The Dream of the Rood and Masculine Spirituality," May 2021.
Reader: Michele Volk, "John Henry Newman's Collegiate Principle Today: Implementing New Spiritual and Moral Formation within Catholic Education," May 2021.
Reader: Sr. Rita Marie Kampa, "A Thomistic Analysis of Fortitude in Iron Man," July 2020.
Reader: Zackary Schmoll, "Distributist Critiques in Historical Context" PhD thesis, Faulkner University (Alabama), May 2020.
Director: Catherine Coyle, "Forming the Conscience in Family Life: St. John Henry Newman as a Guide for Parents," April 2020.
Reader: Will Sipling, "Newman and Francis of Assisi on Truth," February 2020.
Director: Gerriet Suiter, "John Henry Newman and Online Education," December 2019. (Pass with Honors).
Director: Isabel Brown, "Iconography: The Art of the Incarnation," December 2019.
Reader: Agnes King, "Montessori Education and Other Models," August 2019.
Director: Michael Stevens, "Virtual Marvels: A Spiritual Benefit of Video Games," May 2019.
Director: Peter Strickland, "Virtues and Values for Evangelizing Military Life," May 2018.
Reader: Katy Goerke, "Religious Freedom and Natural Law Jurisprudence," May 2018.
Reader: Rachel Crouse, "The Will, Sanctification, and Purgatory in Lewis's *Great Divorce*," December 2017.
Director: Emily Casey, "Education as Pilgrimage," May 2017 (Pass with Honors).
Reader: Blair Kelly, "Imagination and Literature: Reading for a Rightly Ordered Soul," May 2017.
Reader: Colleen Murphy, "The Benedict Option and the Catholic," May 2017.
Reader: Kellen O'Grady, "The Artist, the Image of God, and Same-Sex Attraction," May 2017.
Reader, Bryce Evans, "Objective and Subjective Elements of Faith in John Henry Newman and Joseph Ratzinger," MAT Thesis, St. Paul School of Divinity, April 2017.
Reader: Sr. Maria Faustina Large, OP, "Comfort as the Strengthening of the Imagination: Anthony's Advice to Vincent in Thomas More's Dialogue of Comfort and Tribulation," December 2016.
Director: Jonathan Liedl, "Voices Melt Us: Newman and the Power of the Saints," December 2016.
Director: Katherine Webb, "The Formation of Man," May 2016.
Director: Deacon Kyle Kowalczyk, "Poetry and Priesthood," March 2016.
Director: John Mansfield, "Spirituality of Blessed Teresa of Calcutta," December 2015.
Director: John Goerke, "Authentic Identity of Motherhood and Surrogacy in the Thought of Edith Stein," May 2015 (Pass with Honors).
Director: Jordan Spinharney, "Desire—the Foundation of Conscience: A Study of Conscience in Three Dimensions according to John Henry Newman." December 2014.

Summa Cum Laude Examinations:

Examiner for Adam Grand, May 2022
Director for Jaclyn Johnson, April 2022
Examiner for Jack Barry, April 2022
Examiner for Gabriel Bauer, April 2022
Examiner for Stan Asjes, April 2022
Chair for Catherine Patros, April 2021
Chair for Rebekah Crowley, April 2021
Chair for Brian Farrell, April 2021
Examiner for Randy Koenigsknecht, April 2021
Examiner for Michael Barber, April 2021
Examiner for Allison Ierardi, December 2020
Chair for Joseph Wappes, April 2020.
Examiner for J. P. Thornton, April 2020
Chair for Maria Kraker, April 2018
Chair for Troy Timmerman, April 2018
Examiner for Vincent Ternes, April 2018
Examiner for Lee Koenigsknecht, April 2017
Examiner for Patrick Fisher, October 2016
Examiner for Jacob Goodwin, April 2016
Chair of committee for Paul Juhasz, May 2015
Examiner for Andrew Rydlund, May 2015

Research Direction

Rachel Sherry, Undergraduate Research Opportunity Program Young Scholars Grant research, "Emissaries of Love: Examining Catholic and Feminine Expressions of Suffering" Summer 2020.

Departmental Committee Work

Chair, Online Presence Committee, 2021-22

Other teaching at university level:

1/22, 4/19 and 1/16 *Diocese of Duluth*

"Catholic Social Thought," a two-day course for the Diocese of Duluth's permanent diaconate program, Pastoral Center, Duluth, MN, January 8-9, 2016; April 5-6, 2019; and January 7-8, 2022.

7/18 *University of Mary*.

John Henry Newman, graduate course in school of education co-taught with David Fleischacker, dean of arts and sciences at University of Mary.

Writing:

8/19-present *The Imaginative Conservative*, senior contributor

3/21-present *AMAC Newsline*, columnist

Publications:

In Progress

Books:

I have also sketched out a proposal for a book on the common but distinct visions of Newman and Chesterton.

I am currently putting together a collection of previously published essays on misunderstood concepts in the Catholic Tradition.

Articles:

I am also working on revising a number of papers that have been previously presented at conferences or solicited by journals or publishers:

“Newman and Ecumenism”

“Chesterton and the Masculine Genius”

“Chesterton and the Saints”

“Newman and Solzhenitsyn on Conscience”

Books

Solzhenitsyn and American Culture: The Russian Soul in the West, edited and introduced with Jessica Hooten Wilson. Notre Dame, IN: Notre Dame Press, 2020.

Reviewed in: *First Things* (online), *FareForward*, *FORMA Journal*, *Voegelin View*, *Washington Examiner*, *New York Journal of Books*, *Religion & Liberty*, *Choice*, *Perspectives in Political Science*, *Federalist*, *University Bookman*, *Touchstone*, *The Imaginative Conservative*

Journal Articles

“The Evocation of the Eternal: A Newmanian Guide to Liturgical Development,” forthcoming in *Cor ad Cor*.

“The Underbelly of the Pursuit of Immortality: Pro-Life Lessons of Select Short Stories,” *Life and Learning XXXIII-XXXIV: Proceedings of the Thirty-Third and Thirty-Fourth Conferences of the University Faculty for Life* (2025): 215-234.

“The Collegiate Ideal Renewed: Catholic Studies as Newmanian Project,” *A Word in Season* I (Fall 2020): 57-74.

“My Daddy’s Name is Victor: The Suffering of *Frankenstein* and Lab-created Children,” *Life and Learning XXIX: Proceedings of the 2019 University Faculty for Life Conference* (2019): 263-72.

“Evangelical and Catholic Vampire Hunters Together: A Culture of Life in Bram Stoker’s *Dracula*,” *Life and Learning XXV: Proceedings of the 2015 University Faculty for Life Conference* (2017): 317-30.

“A Critic Who Listens: Edward T. Oakes as Humanist,” *Chicago Studies* 54:1 (Spring 2015): 26-38.

“Chesterton Among the Theologians,” *Fellowship of Catholic Scholars Quarterly* 37: 3-4 (Fall-Winter 2014): 23-28.

“Second Thoughts: Newman on Political and Economic Liberty,” *Journal of Markets and Morality* 17:2 (Fall 2014), 429-43.

“The Gift of Wonder: Chestertonian Resources for Environmental Stewardship,” *Nova et Vetera* (English edn.) 10:1 (2012): 135-42.

“Chesterton and Hitchcock: The Difference a Life Makes,” *The Chesterton Review* 37:3 (Fall-Winter 2011): 469-87.

“Iron Hardness, Surpassing Sweetness: Newman as Preacher,” *Logos: A Journal of Catholic Thought and Culture* 14:4 (Fall 2011): 169-79.

“Clark’s *In the Deep Midwinter* and Hansen’s *Atticus*: Examples of a Two-Fold Literature of Life,” with Catherine Jack Deavel, *New Blackfriars* 89: 1024 (November 2008): 657-73.

“An Odd Couple? A First Glance at Chesterton and Newman,” *Logos: A Journal of Catholic Thought and Culture* 10:1 (2007): 112-31.

“Faith and Works: A Biblical Language of Salvation,” *Homiletic & Pastoral Review* CV:8 (May 2005): 8-18.

“Mary and the Convert,” *Faith* 37:1 (January-February 2005): 17-24.

“Arguments for a Developmental Change in Church Teaching on Contraception: An Examination,” *Faith & Reason* 29:1 (2004): 49-74.

“Character, Choice, and Harry Potter,” with Catherine Jack Deavel, *Logos: A Journal of Catholic Thought and Culture* 5:4 (2002): 49-64. Reprinted in *Children’s Literature Review* (2013).

Book Chapters and Reference Works

“A Properly Political Catholic Education,” forthcoming in *The Adeodatus Handbook on Catholic Education and Culture, Vol. 2: Keen Minds and Living Hearts* (Washington DC: Catholic University of America Press).

“The Medicine of a Future Doctor of the Church,” forthcoming preface to new edition of Edward Short’s *Newman and His Contemporaries* (Leominster, Herefordshire: Gracewing, 2025).

“Monsters in Search of Truth: Chesterton and Pascal,” for *Chesterton and the Philosophers*, Landon Loftin, ed. (Wipf & Stock, 2026): 74-86.

“Succeeding Leo: Hadrian the Seventh as Catholic Social Thinking,” in Mieroslaw Miernik ed., *The Accidental Pope: Essays on Hadrian the Seventh* (New York: Bloomsbury Academic, 2025): 73-88.

“St. Benedict,” in R. Jared Staudt and Alex E. Lessard, eds., *The Adeodatus Handbook on Catholic Education and Culture, Vol. 1: From Jesus the Teacher to St. John Henry Newman* (Washington, DC: Catholic University of America Press, 2025): 173-188.

“Fathers in the Image of God the Father,” in Robert Fastiggi and Deborah Savage, eds., *Lived Experience and the Search for Truth* (En Route, 2024): 303-317.

“Faith, Miracles, and the Sight of the Hidden God: Ellis’s *The 27th Kingdom*,” in *New Insights into Literature and Catholicism in the 19th and 20th Centuries*, David Torevell and Paul Rowan, eds. (Cambridge, UK: Cambridge Scholars Press, 2021): 128-142.

“Pope Francis and the Latin Mass: A Mistake?” in *From Benedict’s Peace to Francis’s War*, Peter Kwasniewski, ed. (Brooklyn: Angelico Press, 2021): 123-127. Originally published in *The Imaginative Conservative*, July 22, 2021.

“Two Visions of the Holy Fool,” in *Literature and Catholicism in the 19th and 20th Centuries*, David Torevell, ed. (Cambridge, UK: Cambridge Scholars Publishing, 2021): 54-67.

“Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness in Solzhenitsyn,” in *Solzhenitsyn and American Culture: The Russian Soul in the West*, David P. Deavel and Jessica Hooten Wilson, eds. (Notre Dame, Indiana: University of Notre Dame Press, 2020): 38-50.

“Introduction: Missing the Deep Roots and Rich Soul,” with Jessica Hooten Wilson, in *Solzhenitsyn and American Culture: The Russian Soul in the West*, David P. Deavel and Jessica Hooten Wilson, eds. (Notre Dame, Indiana: University of Notre Dame Press, 2020): xv-xxviii.

The Life and Legacy of Don J. Briel,” preface to *The University and the Church: Don J. Briel’s Essays on Education* (Providence, Rhode Island: Cluny Media, 2019): v-xvi. [A revised form of “Don Briel and the Catholic Studies Project,” originally published as the preface to *Logos: A Journal of Catholic Thought and Culture* 21:3 (Summer 2018): 7-20.]

“The Origins of and Problems With the ‘Spirit’ of Vatican II,” in *Slaying the “Spirit” of Vatican II With the Light of Truth*, Cindy Paslawski, ed., Introduction by Thomas Paprocki (Hudson, Wisconsin: Wanderer Forum Foundation, 2017): 11-22.

“Vatican II and the Missionary Imperative,” in *Slaying the “Spirit” of Vatican II With the Light of Truth*, Cindy Paslawski, ed., Introduction by Thomas Paprocki (Hudson, Wisconsin: Wanderer Forum Foundation, 2017): 140-48. [Originally published in *The Bellarmine Forum* III:2 (Summer 2013): 32-35.]

“Beyond Autobiography: *Loss and Gain* as Theological Satire,” in *Ignatius Critical edition of Loss and Gain*, Trevor Lipscombe, ed. (Ignatius Press, 2012): 357-66.

"Norris, Kathleen." *New Catholic Encyclopedia Supplement 2011*. Ed. Robert L. Fastiggi. Vol. 2. Detroit: Gale, 2011. 614-615

“*Fides et Ratio* and the English Catholic Revival: Classic Apologists on Faith and Reason,” in *Reason and the Rule of Faith*, Steven A. Long and Christopher J. Thompson, eds., (University Press of America, 2010): 119-31.

“Choosing Love: The Redemption of Severus Snape,” with Catherine Jack Deavel, in *The Ultimate Harry Potter and Philosophy: Hogwarts for Muggles*, Gregory Bassham, ed. (Wiley Blackwell, 2010): 53-65.

Knowing When to be Afraid: Rationality and Suspense,” with Catherine Jack Deavel, in *Hitchcock and Philosophy*, David Baggett and William A. Drumin, eds. (Open Court Press, 2007): 239-52.

“An Image Askew: The Nature of Evil,” with Catherine Jack Deavel, in *Harry Potter and Philosophy: If Aristotle Ran Hogwarts*, David Baggett and Shawn Klein, eds. (Open Court Press, 2004): 132-47.

Devotional Essay Series

“Embracing the Challenge: Easter 50,” a 50-day series of meditations for men in the Exodus 90 program for Easter season 2025.

Daily Gospel reflections for April and May 2023 for those in the Exodus 90 program.

“Decision Dome: Exodus 91, the Book of I Maccabees,” a 50-day series of meditations for Exodus 90; available for those in the program Fall 2020.

“Decision Dome: Exodus 91, Exercise 4, the Book of Joshua,” a 42-day series of meditations for the men’s spirituality organization Exodus 90; available in summer 2019 for those in the program.

Conference Presentations

“Quiet and Neighborly Ways: Integrating Science and Wisdom with Newman,” for “Faith & Science: From Wonder to Human Genius,” Christendom College, Front Royal, Virginia, August 8, 2026.

“Small is Beautiful: On the Types of Kingdoms in Which Culture and Faith Thrive,” for the Dawson Seminar, University of St. Thomas, St. Paul, Minnesota. May 28-30, 2026

“Varieties of Comedy in the Catholic Novel,” invited lecture for “‘Only the Lover Sings’: On Beauty and Wonder,” the 2026 Symposium on Transforming Culture, Benedictine College, Atchison, Kansas. March 30-31, 2026.

“Solzhenitsyn as Prophet of Progress,” for the 2025 meeting of the Society of Catholic Social Scientists, Franciscan University of Steubenville, October 24-25, 2025.

“Newman on Liturgical Development,” for “Newman the Priest,” the 2025 meeting of the St. John Henry Newman Association, Buffalo, Minnesota. (Invited Keynote Address), July 26-27, 2025.

“Newman and Solzhenitsyn on Conscience,” for the 2024 Ciceronian Society Meeting, Plano, Texas, March 2, 2024.

“The Underbelly of the Pursuit of Immortality: Pro-Life Lessons of Select Short Stories,” for Life and Learning XXXIII: Post-Roe Policy Considerations, the 2023 meeting of University Faculty For Life, St. Paul, Minnesota, June 2, 2023.

“Pro-Life Pedagogy,” Panelist for session at Life and Learning XXXIII: Post-Roe Policy Considerations, the 2023 meeting of University Faculty For Life, St. Paul, Minnesota, June 3, 2023.

“Newman, Chesterton, and the Art of Apologetics,” for “The Hour of the Laity,” the 2021 meeting of the St. John Henry Newman Association, Houston, Texas. (Plenary invited address)

Author Meets Critics: Daniel J. Mahoney’s *The Idol of Our Age*, for the 2019 Meeting of the American Catholic Philosophical Association, Minneapolis, Minnesota, November 22, 2019.

“St. John Henry Newman on Friendship and Ecumenical Action,” for the 2019 Notre Dame Center for Ethics and Culture fall conference, November 8, 2019.

“Newman, Wealth, and Holiness,” for “Newman and Holiness,” National Institute of Newman Studies

Conference, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, October 25, 2019.

“The Collegiate Ideal Renewed: Catholic Studies as Newmanian Project,” for “Ideas of a University,” the 2019 Newman Association of America Conference, New Orleans, Louisiana, August 1, 2019.

“My Daddy’s Name is Victor: The Suffering of *Frankenstein* and Lab-created Children,” for “Life and Learning XXIX,” the 2019 meeting of the University Faculty for Life, June 6, 2019, Mundelein, Illinois.

“Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness in Solzhenitsyn,” for the 2018 Notre Dame Center for Ethics and Culture, November 3, 2018.

“Author Meets Critics: David Delio’s ‘*An Aristocracy of Exalted Spirits: The Idea of the Church in the Tammworth Reading Room*,’ panelist at “Looking for Truth, Finding Mercy,” the 2017 Newman Association of America Conference, August 3, 2017.

“Renovating Hell: Newman and Lewis on Damnation,” for “Newman, Tradition, and Innovation: Witness in the Contemporary World, the 2016 Newman Association of America Conference, July 29, 2016. Presented again to University of St. Thomas Theology Club, March 29, 2017.

“Evangelical and Catholic Vampire Hunters Together,” for “Life and Learning XXV,” the 2015 conference of University Faculty for Life, May 29, 2015, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

“Liturgical Imagination and Liturgical Reform in Newman: Hints from the Tractarians for Catholic Liturgical Reformers,” for “The Role of The Imagination in Newman and Others,” the 2014 Newman Association of America Annual Conference, July 31-August 2, 2014.

“Newman's Hard-Headed Ecumenism: Evangelicals, Other Protestants, and Catholics Together in the Fight Against Secularism,” for “Newman and the Specter of Relativism,” the 2013 Newman Association of America Annual Conference, August 8-10.

“Newman, Wealth, and Holiness,” for “In the Way of Holiness,” the 2012 Newman Association of America National Conference, August 9-11.

“Nature, Grace, and the Polis: Catholic and Calvinist Debates,” for “Nature as Norm,” sponsored by the St. Paul Seminary, June 14-16, 2011.

“The Gift of Wonder: Chestertonian Resources for Creation Stewardship,” for “Renewing the Face of the Earth: The Church and the Order of Creation,” Sponsored by the St. Paul Seminary, October 29-31, 2009.

“Newman on Salvation for Catholics and Others: The Early Catholic Years,” for “Newman: Oratorian, Pastor, and Scholar,” the 2007 National Newman Conference, August 10, 2007, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

“Threat of Hell, Safety in the Church of Christ: An Examination of Newman’s Anglican Thought,” for the American Catholic Historical Association Spring 2007 Meeting, March 29, 2007, Milwaukee, Wis.

“*Fides et Ratio* and the English Catholic Revival: Classic Catholic Apologists on Faith and Reason,” for *Habits of Mind: Fides et Ratio and the Vocation of the Catholic Intellectual*, hosted by the Center for Catholic Studies, University of St. Thomas, July 16, 2005.

“I and Thou and We: The Catholicity of Conversion Narratives,” for *Epiphanies of Beauty: Art in a Post-Christian Age*, sponsored by the Notre Dame Center for Ethics and Culture, November 20, 2004.

“CST and Literature: A Response to Brendan O’Donnell and Paul Contino,” for *Catholic Social Thought Across the Curriculum* conference sponsored by the John A. Ryan Center for Catholic Social Thought, University of St. Thomas, St. Paul, Minn., October 24, 2003.

“A Modest Proposal for the Organization of Higher Education,” for *Formation and Renewal*, a conference sponsored by the Notre Dame Center for Ethics and Culture, October 10, 2003.

“A Two-fold Strategy for a Literature of Life,” with Catherine Jack Deavel for *From Death to Life: Agendas for Reform*, sponsored Notre Dame Center for Ethics and Culture, September 28, 2002.

“Character, Choice, and Harry Potter,” with Catherine Jack Deavel for *A Culture of Life*, sponsored by the Notre Dame Center for Ethics and Culture, November 2001.

Other Essays and Articles

“A Jolly Warrior of Chestertonian Stamp: David Schindler (1943-2022),” forthcoming in *Gilbert*.

“The Great If: Being Prophet Pilled,” forthcoming in *The Paradox Press*.

“Hungary for the New World: The Art of Kate Seredy,” forthcoming in *The European Conservative*.

“Robert Munsch’s Classic Story Of A Mother’s Love Turns 40,” *AMAC Newslines*, May 10, 2026.

“Ambulance Chasers and Advertising Bliss,” *The Imaginative Conservative*, May 8, 2026.

“Solzhenitsyn, Men, Women, and Love” *St. Austin Review* 26:3 (May-June 2026): 15-19.

“Biden Admin’s Anti-Christian Bias Uncovered,” *AMAC Newslines*, May 3, 2026.

“Is the Church dying or reviving?” *Catholic Servant* (May 2026): 1, 4. Reprinted at *Catholic World Report*, May 1, 2026.

“We’re All in This Together: Meindert DeJong’s ‘The Wheel on the School,’” *The Imaginative Conservative*, April 28, 2026.

“SPLC Divides Us By Keeping Alive The Ghost of White Supremacy,” *AMAC Newslines*, April 26, 2026.

“A Brief History of Catholic Higher Education,” *From the Academy* 2 (Spring 2026): (Online.)

“Democrats Pretend To Be On ‘Team Pope,’” *AMAC Newslines*, April 19, 2026. Reprinted at *Catholic World Report*, April 20, 2026.

“Leftists Look To Drive Wedge Between Catholics and Evangelicals,” *AMAC Newslines*, April 12, 2026.

“Entertaining Angels in Transit,” *The Imaginative Conservative*, April 8, 2026.

“The Resurrection of Christian Belief,” *AMAC Newslines*, April 4, 2026.

“Why Did Jesus Have to Suffer?” *Catholic Servant* (April 2026): 1, 5. Reprinted at *Catholic World Report*, April 3, 2026.

“Estranged Families Walk the Way of the Cross,” *AMAC Newslines*, March 29, 2026.

“The Left’s Cancellation of Cesar Chavez Looks Bad Either Way,” *AMAC Newsline*, March 24, 2026.

“The Fun of Putting Words Together: X. J. Kennedy *In Memoriam*,” *The Imaginative Conservative*, March 15, 2026.

“A March Madness Alternative To Help You Keep Your Sanity,” *AMAC Newsline*, March 15, 2026.

“James Talarico’s Old-Time New Leftist Gospel Hour,” *AMAC Newsline*, March 8, 2026.

“On Iran, Trust Trump and Pray For Our Troops,” *AMAC Newsline*, March 2, 2026.

“Primary Duties—GOP Voters Must Work Now For a Happy November,” *AMAC Newsline*, February 21, 2026.

“The Lessons of the Ashes on Ash Wednesday,” *AMAC Newsline*, February 18, 2026.

“Only the lover fasts,” *Catholic Servant* (February 2026): 1, 5. Reprinted at *Catholic World Report*, February 18, 2026.

“Good Cop Rubio Challenges Europeans to Reject Decline,” *AMAC Newsline*, February 15, 2026.

“Forget Politics—Super Bowl Sunday Is For Memories,” *AMAC Newsline*, February 8, 2026.

“Increasing Rotundity and Love of Paradox: William Oddie (1939-2019),” *Gilbert* 29:3 (January/February 2026): 50-51.

“A D-Day Victory In The War Against Transgender Ideology,” *AMAC Newsline*, February 1, 2026.

“Put Down The Minneapolis Rebellion And Enforce The Law,” *AMAC Newsline*, January 25, 2026.

“Hooray for Hollywood! Star Jay Leno Shines in Sickness and Health,” *AMAC Newsline*, January 18, 2026.

“A Vituperative Artist in Fleet Street: Auberon Waugh,” *The Imaginative Conservative*, January 15, 2026.

“Dems Want a “Winter of Love”—The Country Won’t Follow This Time,” *AMAC Newsline*, January 11, 2026.

“Is Legacy Media Finally Ready to Admit Its Honesty Problem?” *AMAC Newsline*, January 4, 2026.

“Crime Stats Plummet as Trump’s Return Ushers in Peaceful 2025,” *AMAC Newsline*, December 28, 2025.

“A ‘New’ Old Christmas Movie to Add to Your Rotation,” *AMAC Newsline*, December 24, 2025.

“All I Want for Christmas is Some Blue State Sanity,” *AMAC Newsline*, December 21, 2025.

“The Honorary American: Jane Austen at 250,” *AMAC Newsline*, December 16, 2025.

“Gaudete! The Time to Rejoice as Christmas Nears,” *AMAC Newsline*, December 14, 2025.

“Best Books I Read in 2025,” (contributor), *Catholic World Report*, December 12, 2025.

“Edgar Rice Burroughs, Tarzan, & Imaginative Literature,” *The Imaginative Conservative*, December 9, 2025.

“Living Within Our Means and Getting What We Want—America’s New National Security Strategy,” December 7, 2025.

“An Uncle Found, Wounds Healed—A Thanksgiving Tale,” *AMAC Newsline*, November 30, 2025.

“The War on Thanksgiving,” *AMAC Newsline*, November 23, 2025.

“St. Charbel and the Relevance of the Irrelevant,” *The Imaginative Conservative*, November 16, 2025.

“A Skunk By Any Other Name—MSNBC is Now MS NOW,” *AMAC Newsline*, November 16, 2025.

“Republicans Need to Win Women Voters, Not Blame Them,” *AMAC Newsline*, November 9, 2025.

“Mr. Pooter and Fever-Ravaged Youth,” *The Imaginative Conservative*, November 9, 2025..

“President Trump Works to Protect Nigerian Christians,” *AMAC Newsline*, November 2, 2025

“The Sinister Crisis Ravaging America’s Young Men,” *AMAC Newsline*, October 26, 2025.

“The Democrats’ ‘No Kings’ Hypocrisy,” *AMAC Newsline*, October 19, 2025.

“How to Read Pope Leo’s Sermon on Loving the Poor,” *AMAC Newsline*, October 12, 2025.

“Democrats Fear the Reaper, But Everyday Americans Will Cheer,” *AMAC Newsline*, October 5, 2025.

“How Catholics Should Think About Muslims,” *Catholic Servant* (September-October 2025): 9. Reprinted at *Catholic World Report*, October 5, 2025.

“The Final Gambit: Bobby Fischer (1943-2008),” *Gilbert* 29:1 (September/October 2025): 36-7.

“Blue-State Bureaucratic Swarms Are Devouring America,” *AMAC Newsline*, September 29, 2025.

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Review of *Bread of Life, Cup of Salvation: Understanding the Mass* by John Baldovin, S. J., *Fellowship of Catholic Scholars Quarterly* 27:3 (Fall 2004): 44-47.

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Invited Lectures, Talks, and Panel Discussions

“Howard Pyle’s Knights, Pirates, and Mythical Heroes” and “Howard Pyle’s American Founding” for *The Moral Imagination of America’s Father of Illustration*, The Russell Kirk Center, Mecosta, Michigan, June 20, 2026.

“The Wisdom of the Desert Fathers,” for the Cathedral of Our Lady of Walsingham Adult Forum, Houston, Texas, February 22, 2026.

“Newman’s Realistic Ecumenism,” for the Cathedral of Our Lady of Walsingham Adult Forum, Houston, Texas, November 23, 2025

“A Life of Newman in Seven Lines,” for Cathedral High School’s St. John Henry Newman Tea, Houston, Texas. October 9, 2025.

“Imagining Antidotes: How to Talk About the Saints,” for “Faith and Friendship: the 44th Conference of the Society of G. K. Chesterton, New Orleans, Louisiana, July 24-26, 2025.

Lead facilitator for the Center for Religion, Culture, and Democracy’s Shaftesbury Fellowship weekly seminar on Solzhenitsyn’s writings. Plano, Texas, July 14, 2025; July 15, 2024.

“A Properly Political Catholic and Classical Education,” for the Second Adeodatus Foundation conference, “The Glory of God—Students Fully Alive: Sound Bodies, Keen Minds, Pure Hearts, Kindled Spirits,” Belmont Abbey College, Belmont Abbey, North Carolina, June 18-21, 2025.

“God Calls Us to Pray,” lecture for the adult education series at Our Lady of Cedars Maronite Church, Houston, Texas, April 5, 2025.

Participant, Catholic Symposium on Gun Violence, University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, Indiana, February 13, 2025.

“The Sacramental Imagination,” for the Cathedral of Our Lady of Walsingham Adult Forum, Houston, Texas, January 26, 2025; for the St. Michael’s Catholic Church, Houston, Texas, November 20, 2024; for the *Duc in Altum* series, University of St. Thomas, March 30, 2022.

“I Believe in the Holy Spirit,” lecture for the adult education series at Our Lady of Cedars Maronite Church, Houston, Texas, October 5, 2024.

“Jolly Journalist and Gigantic Mind: G. K. Chesterton at 150,” lecture for the Curious Minds series at Lone Star College—Kingwood, Kingwood, Texas, September 25, 2024.

“I Believe in Jesus,” lecture for the adult education series at Our Lady of Cedars Maronite Church, Houston, Texas, September 21, 2024.

“Conscience: What It Is and Why We Need It,” for the Acton Institute’s Acton University, Grand Rapids, Michigan, June 27, 2024.

“Taking Advantage of Freedom: Solzhenitsyn on What to Do With Liberty When You Have It,” for the Acton Institute’s Acton University, Grand Rapids, Michigan, June 27, 2024; June 21, 2022; June 17, 2020 (virtual); June 22, 2019.

“Desert in the City,” a lecture at Our Lady of the Cedars Maronite Church, Houston, Texas, February 16, 2024.

Lead facilitator for “Solzhenitsyn for Today,” a three-day seminar sponsored by the Center for Religion, Culture, and Democracy,” September 27-October 1, 2023, Boston, Massachusetts.

“Sensus Fidelium and the Development of Doctrine: What St. John Newman can Teach us,” for ongoing Galveston-Houston clergy development, University of St. Thomas, September 26, 2023.

“Saint Benedict,” for the Adeodatus Foundation Conference, Los Angeles, California, June 22, 2023.

Participant in listening session for theologians for the North American Synodal Process sponsored by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, May 25, 2023.

“The Empirical Strikes Back: Why Truth Needs More Than Empiricism,” for the St. Agnes Lenten Lecture Series, St. Agnes Catholic Church, St. Paul, Minnesota, March 17, 2023.

“The Catholic Intellectual Tradition,” for the Doherty Library Lecture Series, University of St. Thomas, Houston, Texas, February 20, 2023.

“Discerning the Moral Life,” St. Edward Catholic Church, Spring, Texas, February 12, 2023.

“Faith and Reason in Pope Benedict,” guest lecture for University of St. Thomas course on the thought of Joseph Ratzinger, taught by Fr. Joseph Fessio, Mark Brumley, and Thomas Harmon. February 6, 2023 (zoom).

“Distributism: Theory and Critique,” for the Acton Institute's Acton University, Grand Rapids, Michigan, June 21, 2022; June 20, 2019; June 20, 2018; June 21, 2013.

“What You Ought to Commence to Do,” commencement address for Trinity School—River Ridge, Mendota Heights, Minnesota, June 11, 2022. Written with and delivered by Catherine Deavel.

“The Catholic Intellectual Tradition,” for the Department of Catholic Studies Senior Symposium, May 14, 2022.

“Deepening Prayer and Hearing God’s Voice,” for St. Lawrence Parish Newman Center Retreat, Minneapolis, MN, April 1, 2022.

Participant in “Toward a Humane Post-Pandemic Economics,” Sponsored by the Institute for Human Ecology (CUA), Initiative on Faith and Public Life (AEI), and the Kern Foundation, Washington, DC, March 17-19, 2022.

“What is the Common Good?” for the Catholic Lawyers Formation Group, Holy Family Parish, St. Louis Park, Minnesota, March 12, 2022.

“Flannery O’Connor’s Stories,” an introduction to her work and discussion on three classic stories for “American Catholics? Catholic Americans? Perspectives on the Church and the American Project,” the 2021-22 Lumen Christi Institute Executive Great Books Seminar, the Chicago Club, Chicago, Illinois, March 4, 2022.

“John Wick and the Question of Retributive Justice,” for the Lumen Christi Institute, University of Chicago, March 3, 2022.

“The English Catholic Revival,” for Lumen Christi Institute’s West Suburban Catholic Culture Series, Hinsdale, Illinois, March 2, 2022.

“Spiritual Protection,” for St. John’s Little Canada Parish (Minnesota). February 27, 2022.

“The Beauty of Married Love,” with Catherine Jack Deavel, for Living God’s Love (Archdiocese of St. Paul/Mpls. Marriage prep, March 12, 2013; June 12, 2015; June 15, 2019; September 21, 2019; July 18 (virtual); September 12, 2020; April 17, 2021; September 11, 2021; February 19, 2022.

“More Capitalists, More Capital: Why We Want a (Holy) Nation of Owners,” for the St. Joseph Business Guild Quarterly Dinner, St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, New Brighton, Minnesota, January 25, 2022.

“The Catholic Understanding of Marriage,” with Catherine Deavel for Nativity of Our Lord Parish, St. Paul, Minnesota, January 11, 2021.

“Understanding the Mass,” for the Cathedral of St. Paul’s RCIA program. January 6, 2022.

“Charismatic or Traditional?” a debate with Gordon Demarais for The ATF (Catholic men’s group), Holy Family Maronite Parish, St. Paul, November 9, 2021.

“Solzhenitsyn on How to Love Your Country,” for Anselm House. November 3, 2021.

“On Some Rules for Life,” for the Catholic Men’s Leadership Group, Church of St. Mark, St. Paul, MN, October 20, 2021.

“The Happy Warriors: Newman and Chesterton as Satirists,” for the 2021 American Chesterton Society conference, Chicago, Illinois, July 30-August 1, 2021.

“It’s the End of the World as We Know It. . .and I Feel Fine: Catholics and the Apocalypse,” the annual Catholic Thought and Culture Lecture for the Catholic Studies MA program, April 22, 2021.

“What the Church Teaches About Sex,” with Catherine Deavel, for Nativity of our Lord parish RCIA, St. Paul, MN, March 9, 2021.

“Living as Catholics in a Secular Age,” for the Catholic Men’s Leadership Group, Church of St. Mark, St. Paul, MN, March 3, 2021.

“The Church’s Teaching on Sexuality, Morality and the Family,” with Catherine Jack Deavel, for the Archdiocese of St. Paul’s Faith and Culture Series, January 22, 2021.

“Newman and the Secular Age,” for North Dakota State University Catholic Fellowship, Fargo, North Dakota, November 22, 2020.

“Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness in Solzhenitsyn,” for “Alexander Solzhenitsyn and American Culture,” a webinar put on by the Russian American Business Council and the Museum of Russian Art in Minneapolis. November 19, 2020.

Participant in webinar book launch for *Solzhenitsyn and American Culture*, hosted by the Murphy Institute. With Jessica Hooten Wilson, Daniel J. Mahoney, Gary Saul Morson, and Peter Leithart. October 29, 2020.

“Live Not by Lies,” lecture and discussion group for Markets & Morality student group, Hope College (virtual), October 12, 2020.

“Living the Lay Vocation After College,” with Catherine Deavel for the Duc in Altum series sponsored by University of St. Thomas’s Campus Ministry, October 8, 2020.

“Liberal Arts Economics,” for *The Moral Imagination and Economics*, co-sponsored by the Intercollegiate Studies Institute and The Imaginative Conservative, Houston Baptist University, February 29, 2020.

“Taking Advantage of Freedom,” for the St. Benedict Center and Markets & Morality, Hope College, Holland, Michigan, February 17, 2020.

“Vocation: Integrating the Contemplative and Active Life,” for the Archdiocese of St. Paul’s Missionary Discipleship Series, St. Joseph’s Parish, Waconia, Minnesota, February 6, 2020.

“A New Saint for our Times: John Henry Newman and our Postmodern World,” for Ave Maria Academy, January 22, 2020.

“Building Up Catholic Culture in a Secular Society,” for the Catholic Men’s Breakfast, Cathedral of the Holy Trinity, New Ulm, Minnesota, November 16, 2019.

“God the Trinity,” for RCIA at Nativity of Our Lord, December 2, 2003; November 25, 2008; December 4, 2018; November 12, 2019.

“An Evening with St. John Henry Newman,” for the Murphy Institute, University of St. Thomas, St. Paul, MN, November 6, 2019.

“Newman on Liberal Education and the University,” for the Lumen Christi Institute’s Newman Forum, Chicago, Illinois, October 19, 2019.

“Learning from St. Francis About Poverty and Obedience,” St. John’s Catholic Watchmen, Little Canada, Minnesota, October 15, 2019.

“*Persuasion*,” for the St. Thomas Post-graduate book club, October 1, 2019.

“Meet John Henry Newman: Catholicism’s Newest Saint,” for the Church of Saint Clement, Minneapolis, September 22, 2019.

“Building a Catholic Culture in the Middle of a Secular Society,” for the Church of the Holy Family men’s group, St. Louis Park, Minnesota, July 12, 2019.

“Allies in a Time of Trouble: Newman on Other Christians,” for Anselm House, St. Paul, Minnesota, June 27, 2019.

“Second Thoughts: Newman on Political and Economic Liberty,” for Acton University, June 20, 2019; June

23, 2017; June 20, 2016; June 20, 2015; June 20, 2014.

“Augustine,” for St. Agnes Parish Lenten series Spiritual Masters, first Friday of Lent, March 8, 2019.

“Allies in a Time of Trouble: Newman and other Christians,” third annual Newman Lecture at the University of Pennsylvania, sponsored by the Collegium Institute for Catholic Thought and Culture and the Penn Newman Center. February 21, 2019.

“Finding Love and Dating in our Society,” with Catherine Jack Deavel, for the St. Thomas More Society and Office for Spirituality, University of St. Thomas School of Law, Minneapolis, Minnesota. February 14, 2019.

“The Trinity: God’s Life in Us,” for adult catechesis at Maternity of Mary parish, St. Paul, Minnesota. February 6, 2019.

“Witnesses to the Light,” for the Roccasecca Project’s Candlemas lecture, Church of St. Mark, St. Paul, Minnesota, February 2, 2019.

“Chesterton and the Masculine Genius,” for the Stillwater Catholic Watchmen, November 20, 2018.

“Antagonist to a Broken World: Faith in a Secular Age,” for Twin Cities Newman on Tap celebration of John Henry Newman’s feast day, University Club, St. Paul, October 9, 2018.

“Eastern Orthodoxy’s Appeal to Disaffected Catholics—and Why it’s not the Answer,” for The Men of Trent, Waseca, Minnesota, August 26, 2018.

“Good Before Useful: Why a Liberal Arts Education Makes Better Business,” for the Acton Institute’s Acton University, June 18, 2018.

“Chesterton on Marriage, Family, and Distributism,” presented for the Charlemagne Institute’s Alcuin Fellowship Summer Seminars, Minneapolis, June 8, 2018.

“Men Redeemed in Christ,” presented for the St. Paul Seminary School of Divinity’s Spring Day of Recollection,” April 7, 2018.

“Not Another Manic Sunday! The Continuing Saga of One Couple’s Attempts to Make Sunday a Foretaste of Heaven(or at least not another day of homework and fighting),” with Catherine Deavel, presented for the Church of St. Peter Cana Dinner for married couples, January 27, 2018.

“The Teaching Authority of the Church,” presented for the Nativity of Our Lord RCIA candidates, St. Paul, MN.

“Is the Death Penalty Opposed to the Gospel?” a debate with Fr. David W. Smith for the Argument of the Month Club, Church of St. Augustine, South St. Paul, MN, November 14, 2017.

“Catholicism for Evangelicals,” for Theology on Deck, a ministry of Catalyst Covenant Church, New Brighton, MN, October 24, 2017.

“Christian Tradition and Changing Views of the State,” invited participant in 2-day colloquium sponsored by the Acton Institute and the American Bible Society, September 14-16, 2017.

“Chesterton on the Masculine Genius,” for the 2017 conference of the American Chesterton Society, July 27-29, 2017.

“Is Catholic Education Catholic Anymore?” a debate with Fr. John Echert and Michael Matt for the Argument of the Month Club, St. Augustine’s Parish, South St. Paul, MN, May 9, 2017.

“Reclaiming the Masculine Genius,” for St. Agnes Parish (St. Paul) Lenten Series, March 10, 2017.

“Happy to be Married,” with Catherine Jack Deavel, for the Cana Dinner of Church of the Holy Cross in Minneapolis, MN, February 11, 2017.

“The Tao of Happiness,” for Center for Catholic Studies Sampler lectures, University of St. Thomas, November 2, 2016.

“Imitating Christ in the Modern World,” for the Saturday Men’s Breakfast lecture series, Church of St. Helena, Minneapolis, October 29, 2016.

“Mercy in Salvation History” and “The Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy” for “A Story of Love and Mercy,” Diocese of New Ulm, MN, organized by the Sophia Institute for Teachers, October 10, 2016.

“Do Cell Phones and Social Media Make Us Less Connected?” for Northeast Minneapolis Theology @ the Pub, June 21, 2016.

“Lewis and Tolkien on Myths and Stories,” talk for the inaugural meeting of the Twin Cities Tolkien Society, Bottineau Library, Minneapolis, May 16, 2016.

“Should the Death Penalty Be Abolished?” a debate for the Cathedral of St. Paul’s Young Adults with Professor Mark Osler of the St. Thomas School of Law, April 13, 2016.

“The Development of Doctrine,” for the University of St. Thomas philosophy club, March 31, 2016.

“Evangelicals and Catholics Together and Apart,” for St. Agnes Parish (St. Paul) Lenten Series, March 11, 2016

“C. S. Lewis for Catholics,” a lecture at the Church of All Saints, Minneapolis, February 20, 2016.

A conversation with Andrew Hansen on the common ground and differences between Catholics and Protestants for , MacLaurin Institute, St. Paul, MN, February 19, 2016.

“The Plan: How to Live in Post-Christian America,” for St. James Coffee House Mardi Gras Fundraising Dinner, February 6, 2016.

Discussion Leader for “C. S. Lewis and Liberty,” co-sponsored by the Acton Institute and Liberty Fund, Grand Rapids, MI, December 3-6, 2015

“Newman on Conscience,” for Catholic Studies Community Program, Our Lady of Grace Church, Edina, Minnesota, October 23, 2015.

“Chesterton: The Man Behind the Pub,” for the University of Mary (Bismarck, ND) for the university convocation hour, September 11, 2015.

“Chesterton: Christian Poet to the Rescue,” for Grounds for Belief, University of Mary University Ministry monthly event, September 10, 2015.

“The Tao of Jack: C. S. Lewis on the Foundations of Freedom,” for MacLaurinCSF, St. Paul, MN, March 30, 2015.

“The Conversion of John Henry Newman,” for St. Agnes Church, St. Paul, Minnesota, March 27, 2015.

“*The Imitation of Christ: A Challenging but Beautiful Book*,” for the Church of St. Helena (Minneapolis) Lenten Series, February 20, 2015.

“Lead Kindly Light: The Life and Spirituality of John Henry Newman,” Cathedral of St. Paul Theology on Tap, O’Gara’s Bar and Grill, January 14, 2015.

Respondent to Dr. Deborah Savage, “Is There a Masculine Genius?” University of St. Thomas student group “the Edge,” December 3, 2014.

“Natural Law and Freedom in the Thought of C. S. Lewis,” for “C. S. Lewis and Liberty,” co-sponsored by the Acton Institute and Liberty Fund, Grand Rapids, MI, November 20, 2014.

“The Demands of Communication in the Twenty-First Century,” for University of St. Thomas Philosophy Club, November 18, 2014.

“What the Resurrection Means to Me,” a talk for the University of St. Thomas Catholic Men’s Leadership Group, October 23, 2014.

“Chesterton as Theologian,” for the 2014 American Chesterton Society Conference, Mundelein, Illinois, August 2014.

“Cultural Aesthetics in a Free Society,” for Acton Institute’s Acton University, Grand Rapids, Michigan, June 18, 2014.

“Following Your Conscience,” for the Cathedral of St. Paul Young Adults, May 14, 2014.

“Going into the Desert of Lent with the Desert Fathers,” for the parish of St. Mark, St. Paul, MN, March 21, 2014.

“Ancient Monasticism for Modern Men,” for parish of St. Helena’s Men’s Breakfast, January 25, 2014.

“Beatitudes, Prayers, and the Sacraments: Gerald Vann’s *Divine Pity*,” Highland Catholic Book Club, December 16, 2013.

“Second Thoughts on Newman: Newman, Constitutions, and Markets,” The 2013 Calihan Lecture, University of St. Thomas, October 30, 2013.

“How Do Laymen Address the Crisis in the Church,” a debate with Mark Shea, Michael Voris, and Michael Matt,” Argument of the Month Club, October 8, 2013

“Ronald Knox,” for Cathedral of St. Paul’s Catholic Literary Revival Series, October 2, 2013.

“Conversion for the Already Converted,” for Cathedral of St. Paul’s Theology on Tap, August 14, 2013.

“Why John Henry Newman Matters,” for the Acton Institute’s Acton University, Grand Rapids, Michigan, June 19, 2013.

“Newman's Quest for a Real Spiritual Life,” Loomer Theological Books' grand re-opening at Claret Farm, Stillwater, MN, April 27, 2013.

“Now it's Official, Now it's for Real,” talk for confirmation candidates at St. Therese of Deeplaven, Wayzata, MN, March 10, 2013.

“The Resistance,” debate with Michael Matt and Kent Wuchterl on Church, State, and the Challenges of Catholic Evangelization, Friar Tuck's Pub, Forest Lake, MN, January 15, 2013.

“Americanism: Shadow Heresy or Perennial Temptation,” a debate with Ed Hester and Michael Matt, for Argument of the Month Club, November 13, 2012.

“Why the Church Doesn't Give you all the Answers,” for University of St. Thomas student group, “The Edge,” April 25, 2012.

“Christian History: The First 2000 Years and Beyond,” a series of four talks for parish youth group of the Church of the Holy Family, St. Louis Park, MN, February 12, March 18, April 15, and May 20, 2012.

“Pope Benedict, the Bible, and the Death and Resurrection of Jesus,” a talk at Nativity of Our Lord Parish, St. Paul, MN, April 18, 2011.

“Is NFP Catholic Contraception?” a debate with Michael Matt, for Argument of the Month Club, St. Augustine's Parish, South St. Paul, MN, April 12, 2011.

“John Henry Newman: His Life and Spirituality,” Cathedral of St. Paul Theology on Tap, March 2, 2011.

“Clergy, Laity, and the Kingship of Christ: Who does what in political and social life,” fall lecture series, “Catholics and Political Life,” at the Church of St. Agnes, St. Paul, Minnesota, October 20, 2010.

“Newman on the Great Divide Between Catholicism and Secularism,” Quarentes Veritatem Club, University of St. Thomas, St. Paul, Minnesota, October 7, 2010.

“Socialism, Capitalism, or Distributism?” a debate, Argument of the Month Club, Church of St. Augustine, St. Paul, Minnesota, May 11, 2010.

“What is Marriage? How to Defend Marriage with Natural Law” with Catherine Jack Deavel, Theology on Tap, Robbinsdale, Minnesota, February 1, 2010.

“Distributism, Capitalism, and the Global Economic Crisis,” Seattle Chesterton Society, January 21, 2010.

“Catholic Teaching on Mary,” presented for RCIA at Nativity of Our Lord parish, St. Paul, Minnesota, December 8, 2009; January 4, 2011, January 6, 2012.

“Old Things and New: The Past, Present, and Future of the Catholic Church,” presented at St. Thomas Becket Parish in Eagan, Minnesota, November 19, 2009.

“Chesterton on Marriage, Family, and the Differences Between Men and Women,” a presentation for Elizabeth Kelly's course “Man and Woman,” University of St. Thomas. November 23 and 25, 2009; November 22 and 24, 2010; November 2012.

“Newman as Novelist,” presentation for Dr. Don Briel's course on John Henry Newman, University of St. Thomas, St. Paul, Minnesota. Numerous times since 2009.

“Chesterton on Family and Marriage,” a presentation for the summer course on Chesterton taught by Dr. Andrew Tadie, Seattle University, August 11, 2009.

“Chesterton and Hitchcock,” for *100 Years of Trifles*, the 2009 conference of the American Chesterton Society. Seattle, Washington, August 8, 2009.

“True Catholic Ecumenism,” a debate with Michael J. Matt, Argument of the Month Club, Church of St. Augustine, St. Paul, Minnesota, April 14, 2009.

“How to Look at Vatican II and the History of the Church,” Holy Name Society, Church of St. Olaf, April 12, 2008.

“John Henry Newman to Converts,” Nativity of Our Lord Parish Mystagogia, April 15, 2008.

“Richard Crashaw and the Ironies of the Gospel,” Nativity of our Lord Parish, March 7, 2008.

“Love’s Labours Never Lost: Benedict XVI’s Encyclical *Deus Caritas Est*” at Epiphany Parish, Coon Rapids, Minnesota, May 6, 2007.

“Unbiblical, Tyrannical, and Superstitious: Three Common Objections to Catholic Faith,” Holy Name Society, Church of St. Olaf, April 21, 2007.

“An Introduction to Catholic Literature,” Maternity of Mary Parish, St. Paul, MN, January 24, 2007.

Panel Discussion on “Catholic Theology for Catechists,” for Archdiocese of St. Paul-Minneapolis Education Commission, April 16, 2007.

“The Church: One, Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic,” for RCIA candidates at Nativity of Our Lord, December 5, 2006, November 20, 2007, December 15, 2015.

“Why the Church? A Conversion Story,” Theology on Tap, Rogers, Minnesota, July 25, 2006.

“Not By Bread Alone: Fasting and the Word of God,” at the Holy Name Society, Church of St. Olaf, Minneapolis, March 11, 2006.

“Why Fast?” lecture for “Argument of the Month,” Church of St. Helena, Minneapolis, March 4, 2006.

“Trinity and Creed,” a talk given for the Archdiocese of St. Paul-Minneapolis Education Commission, January 23, 2006; February 4, 2007; January 26, 2008.

“Why the Church? Why the Sacraments?” given at the Church of St. Helena, November 4, 2005.

“Is Mary too Central to Catholic Faith?” given for the “Monthly Argument” at the Church of St. Helena, Minneapolis, Minn., October 21, 2004.

“Tradition and Scripture,” for RCIA candidates at Nativity of Our Lord, October 5, 2004.

“Faith and Good Works,” a lecture given for the “Monthly Argument” at the Church of St. Helena, Minneapolis, Minn., May 13, 2004.

“Catholic Grief: One Man’s Story,” given at Nativity of Our Lord Parish, St. Paul, MN, March 4, 2004.

“A Panel Discussion: Putting it into Practice,” with Catherine Jack Deavel et al., for the Archdiocese of St. Paul’s Marriage and Family Preparation Program: numerous times since 2003.

“A Theological View of Catholic Morality,” for RCIA candidates at Nativity of Our Lord, February 3, 2004, February 4, 2006, February 19, 2014.

“Chesterton and Newman,” for *A Chesterton Aeneid*, the 2003 Conference of the American Chesterton Society, June 12, 2003.

“Can the Bishops Teach on Politics?” a panel discussion with Stephen J. Heaney and William B. Stevenson, University of St. Thomas Catholic Studies Engaging Truth Series, March 16, 2003.

“The Sacraments: The Goodness of Creation and the Way to Salvation,” four talks, with Catherine Jack Deavel, on a Catholic understanding of sacramental life, Nativity of Our Lord Catholic Church, St. Paul, Minn. March 13 and 20, April 3 and 10, 2003.

“Francis de Sales: A Patron Saint for our Age,” at the Church of St. Helena, for their Lenten Series on the Lives of the Saints, March 7, 2003.

“A Catholic Understanding of the Sacrament of Marriage,” with Catherine Jack Deavel for RCIA at Nativity of Our Lord Catholic Church on February 9, 2003 and (by myself) April 28, 2015.

“What We Believe: Salvation History and the Creed,” a series of three talks, with Catherine Jack Deavel, on basic Catholic theology, given at Nativity of Our Lord Parish, January 16, 23, and 30 of 2003.

Citations and Reviews of my work by other authors (partial list):

David Guaspari, “SpongeBob 101,” *The Weekly Standard* (November 14, 2011): 37-8, at 38, discusses “Choosing Love”: “One of the best [essays in *The Ultimate Harry Potter*] discusses the redemption of Snape by love, understood as St. Thomas understands it—which is not to be in the grip of a feeling but ‘to will the good of another.’”

Roxana Hadadi, *Express Night Out*, September 22, 2010.

<http://www.expressnightout.com/content/2010/09/the-ultimate-harry-potter-and-philosophy-hogwarts-for-muggles-william-irwin-gregory-bassham.php> “Similarly intriguing is the discussion of Snape's motives in the chapter ‘Choosing Love: The Redemption of Severus Snape.’ Snape's Patronus was a doe, identical to Lily Potter's - the only woman he ever loved. The chapter's authors argue this reflects Aristotle's notion of the beloved as a second self, a creation of ‘Snape's love and remorse’ that ‘manifest[s] not primarily in his emotional states but in his ongoing acts of the will to pursue the good of another.’ And you just thought he was a greasy-haired guy with a change of heart.”

Broad, Lisa K. (Cinema Studies, New York University), book review of *Hitchcock and Philosophy: Dial M for Metaphysics* in *Journal of Aesthetics and Art*, 66.2, 212-214. “For a more nuanced reading of *The Birds* and an insightful theory of Hitchcockian suspense, see Catherine Jack Deavel and David Paul Deavel’s excellent ‘Knowing When to Be Afraid: Rationality and Suspense.’”

Housel, Rebecca (University of New South Wales), book review of *Harry Potter and Philosophy: If Aristotle Ran Hogwarts* in *Journal of Popular Culture* 38:4 (May 2005): 775-76. “In Jerry L. Walls’s existential essay on happiness and morality, Benjamin J. Bruxvoort Lipscomb and W. Christopher Stewart’s piece on the ethics of technology, and the examination of the nature of evil by David and Catherine Deavel, this book offers solid scholarship on the fictional world created by Rowling. It is also a way to use the experiences of the fictional

character and his world and apply those experiences to everyday life, for a better life.”

Interviews and Media Mentions

Guest on the Dean Abbott Show (episode 42) to discuss Andrew Tate, the masculine urge to fight, and what boys need to become men, January 27, 2025; guest on episode 31 to talk about conversion to Catholicism, limits of liberalism, and the online right, October 28, 2024.

Guest on Rod and Greg Show to discuss my article “Vibe Shift—America Gets Its Mojo Back,” December 16, 2024; to discuss the Kamala Harris Campaign’s strategy of yelling fascist, October 28, 2024; to discuss “Biden Admin’s War on Women,” April 22, 2024.

“Theology Is Not a Trivial Pursuit,” guest appearance on Respect Life Radio, August 6, 2024. “What Solzhenitsyn Can Teach a Divided America,” November 11, 2020. “A Catholic Critique of Socialism,” guest appearance on Respect Life Radio. Part 1 aired May 14, 2019; Part 2 aired May 22, 2019.

“Theology is not a trivial pursuit,” appearance on *Kresta in the Afternoon*, EWTN Radio, August 2, 2024; “Conscience: What it is and why we need it,” July 2, 2024; “Education and Freedom,” January 30, 2024; “Solzhenitsyn’s Advice to the Free World,” December 9, 2020; “Newman and Solzhenitsyn,” June 19, 2019.

Guest appearance on the Catholic Cave, Indy Catholic Radio, “Aleksandr Solzhenitsyn and American Culture,” October 22, 2020; “Socialist Gulag,” March 15, 2019; “The Future of Christendom,” October 18, 2018; “Vatican II: Fifty Years On,” May 13, 2018; “John Henry Newman on conscience, education, and doctrinal development,” September 29-30, 2017; “The Seven Deadly Sins of Socialism,” October 22 and 23, 2016.

Appearance on “Newman on Tap” with Ron Snyder to discuss Newman’s sermon “Promising Without Doing,” November 13, 2023.

Guest on Word on Fire Book Club with Haley Stewart to discuss Robert Hugh Benson’s *Lord of the World*, October 23, 2023.

Guest on The Optiv Theology podcast with Andrew Schmitt (host) discussing G. K. Chesterton and with Schmitt and guest Nic Robinson discussing Catholicism and Protestantism (December 30, 2022).

Guest on Theology Pugcast: “All Things G. K. Chesterton, Especially Distributism,” August 29, 2022.

Guest on Through the Keyhole Podcast with Jeremy Kee discussing Solzhenitsyn.

Guest on Driving Home the Faith with Fr. Rob Jack (Sacred Heart Radio) discussing Msgr. Ronald Knox, December 2, 2021.

Guest on The Morning Answer with Dan Proft and Amy Jacobson (Chicago) to talk about parental involvement in education, October 8, 2021; about my article “Let’s Assimilate our Blue-State Refugees,” August 27, 2021; Talked about my article “Conservative Skepticism and the Pandemic,” March 31, 2020.

Guest appearance on the Rooney Report, St. Michael Catholic Television Network, June 2021 (Available on YouTube August 26, 2021).

“The Importance of Humor,” guest appearance on The Uncommon Sense podcast, August 24, 2021.

“Catholic Social Teaching and COVID-19 Response, Restrictions, and Vaccine Distribution,” guest

appearance on the *St. Thomas Journal of Law and Public Policy* podcast, April 22, 2021.

Guest appearance with Jessica Hooten Wilson to talk about *Solzhenitsyn and American Culture* on *Ethics & Culture Cast*, March 15, 2021.

“The Search for Happiness,” guest on “The Upper Room” podcast for the Archdiocese of St. Paul, February 25, 2021.

“What Happiness Are We Pursuing? Solzhenitsyn and American Culture,” appearance on *The Moral Imagination* podcast with Michael Matheson Miller, February 5, 2021.

Guest with Cathy Deavel on Relevant Radio’s “Practicing Catholic” show with Patrick Conley, January 19, 2021.

8-episode podcast discussion with Dale Ahlquist on *The Man Who Was Thursday* for The Society of Gilbert Keith Chesterton (members only content available December 2020).

“Solzhenitsyn and American Culture,” guest appearance with Jessica Hooten Wilson on *The Christian Humanist* podcast, December 6, 2020.

“Aleksandr Solzhenitsyn’s Prophetic World of the West,” guest appearance on The UnCommon Good with Bo Bonner and Bud Marr, Iowa Catholic Radio, December 2, 2020; “Fear and Longing for Eternity,” May 9, 2018.

Appearance on “All Creatures Great and Small,” episode of *Catholic Newsroom* podcast, August 24, 2020.

Appearance on The Dan Proft Show (national syndicated radio) to talk about my article “The Chicken Entrepreneurialism,” June 14, 2020; to talk about my articles “Life is Risky Business” and “Politics and its Christian Discontents,” October 2, 2020.

“John Henry Newman on Catholics and Other Christians,” appearance on episode 11 of The Curious Catholic Podcast with Matt Chominsky, April 15, 2020.

Guest on Relevant Radio’s Rediscover Hour to talk about *Logos: A Journal of Catholic Thought and Culture*, March 27, 2020.

“Lincoln Fellow Spotlight: David Deavel,” February 3, 2020.

“Should We Get Rid of Fossil Fuel Subsidies?” on “What’s the Res” podcast with Joshua Herring, November 11, 2019.

Guest on Catholic Answers Live, October 11, 2019.

Quoted in “Soon-to-be-saint Cardinal Newman already a patron of many archdiocesan Catholics,” *The Catholic Spirit*, October 7, 2019.

Guest on “The Rediscover Hour” on Relevant Radio to discuss the Battle of Lepanto and Our Lady of the Rosary, September October 4, 2019.

“Solzhenitsyn and Freedom,” appearance on “Liberty Hub” with Mihail Neamtu, July 6, 2019 (YouTube).

“The Church and Socialism,” guest appearance on “What the World Needs Now” with Ken Johnston, In His Sign Catholic Radio, June 26, 2019.

The Idea of a University by John Henry Newman, guest appearance on episode 85 of *National Review's* The Great Books Podcast, May 28, 2019.

Quoted in “Fr. James V. Schall, SJ, Noted Political Philosopher Dead at 91,” by John Burger, *Aleteia*. April 17, 2019.

Jenna Suchtya, “True Diversity Seen at Acton University, Says College President,” *States News Service* June 26, 2018. “Many sessions at Acton University go on simultaneously, an embarrassment of riches. Yesterday morning, I attended “Good before Useful: Why a Good Liberal Arts Education Makes Better Business,” led by Prof. David Deavel of the University of St. Thomas in Minnesota. Prof. Deavel went through the arguments usually made against the practicality of liberal arts education and countered them, showing that the CEOs of many of the largest companies majored in arts and sciences; he also drew heavily upon Cardinal Newman's *The Idea of a University* to support his argument. Participants from Bolivia, Nigeria, and Uruguay raised questions. Colleges and universities in these developing economies, they pointed out, have a hard time justifying the liberal arts when their countries so desperately need practical acumen. Are the liberal arts a luxury? Prof. Deavel argued that education in the trades and technical professions is crucial, but even more crucial, especially for leaders, is the knowledge of the whole and the place of each part within it that Cardinal Newman so eloquently describes. Otherwise, what understanding will order these societies toward the good, both nationally and internationally?”

“David Deavel on De Sales, Newman, Chesterton, and Hitchcock,” guest appearance on the Research on Religion podcast with Dr. Anthony Gill, sponsored by the Baylor Institute on Religion and Society, discussing St. Francis de Sales, Newman, and Chesterton. March 18, 2018.

Quoted in Heather Brown, “Why Isn’t Fish Considered Meat?” WCCO (CBS Local Affiliate), March 9, 2018. <http://minnesota.cbslocal.com/2018/03/09/gq-lent-fish/>

My WSJ article commented on by Daniel Lattier, “Do Not Get a PhD in the Liberal Arts, Unless. . .” *Intellectual Takeout*, February 27, 2018. <http://www.intellectuالتakeout.org/article/do-not-get-phd-liberal-arts-unless>

Quote in “With G.O.P. Ticket Set, Catholic ‘never-Trump’ camp remains defiant,” by Michael O’Loughlin, *America*, July 26, 2016 (online).

Guest on Catholic Kaleidoscope radio program discussing C. S. Lewis, Catholic faith, and contemporary challenges (Radio Maria) July 12, 2015.

Profiled with Catherine Jack Deavel in “Married Professors at St. Thomas,” by Margaret Galush, *Tommie Media*, February 18, 2015 (online).

Quoted in “Humanity needs deeper understanding of ‘masculine genius,’” by Susan Klemond, *Catholic Spirit*, December 14, 2014, p. 8.

Quoted in “Go, Tweet the Gospel to Every Creature,” by Brantley Millegan, *Aleteia*, January 24, 2014 (online).

Quoted in “Of Course He Is! *Aleteia* experts weigh in on Pope Francis being named ‘Person of the Year,’” by Brantley Millegan, *Aleteia*, December 11, 2013. (online)

Quoted in “C. S. Lewis, Catholic Gateway Drug” by Brantley Millegan in *Aleteia*, November 22, 2013 (online).

Invited guest for radio program “The Kingdom Road,” Catholic Community Radio of Baton Rouge, LA, July 16, 2012, discussing my article, “Submerged in the Ocean.”

Quoted in “Can True Catholics Support Same-Sex Marriage” by Chris Welch, CNN Belief Blog, June 20, 2012 (online).

Aquila, Alfonso. “Judging Harry Potter.” *National Catholic Register*. September 2-8, 2007. “Other good Christian writers offer, instead, a Christian interpretation of the Potter saga, as you may read in the essays by Catherine and David Deavel, Robert Trexler, Alan Jacobs, Serge Tisseron, Pietro Citati and Massimo Introvigne, to name a few.”

Quoted in “Catholic Writers Group Fosters Literary Revival” by Tim Drake, *National Catholic Register*, February 20, 2007 (available online).

Amy Welborn, on “A Catholic Grief Observed,”

http://amywelborn.typepad.com/openbook/2005/12/a_catholic_grie.html

“David Deavel's piece in the current Touchstone is well worth a read if you can find a copy—or decide to subscribe. It's beautiful, sad, and comforting.”

“Defending Harry Potter,” Interviewed with Catherine Jack Deavel by Christopher Beiting, *St. Austin Review*, July/August 2003: 23-27.

“In Defense of Harry Potter,” Interviewed with Catherine Jack Deavel by Zenit News Service, March 16, 2003 (online).

“Faculty Profile: Meet David Deavel,” *The Signature* (Newsletter of the Department of Catholic Studies at the University of St. Thomas), November 14, 2003: p. 2.

Awards and Grants

Koterski Grant for 2023 University Faculty for Life Conference.

Nominee for St. Thomas Aquinas Excellence in Teaching Award 2022-23, UST-Houston

Lincoln Fellowship, Claremont Institute, 2019

Invitation to lecture at the Mathias Corvinus Collegium's Budapest Lectures 2019 (declined).

\$10,000 grant, Cushman Foundation for *Logos: A Journal of Catholic Thought and Culture* for marketing, 2017

Adjunct Faculty Development Grant for Travel to 2016 Newman Association Conference

Acton Institute's 2013 Novak Award (\$/10,000).

Fordham University Graduate Student Association Travel Grant 2007

Cook Fellow, the Acton Institute's Toward a Free and Virtuous Society conference, 2003

Fordham University Graduate Fellowship 1998-2001

National Orientation Directors' Association Student Leadership Award 1996

National Merit Scholarship, 1992

Daughters of the American Revolution Good Citizenship Award (Marshall County, IN) 1992

Service and Leadership Positions

Board, Texas Higher Education Coalition (2023-)

Board of Directors, University Faculty for Life (2023-)

Editorial Board Member, *Logos: A Journal of Catholic Thought and Culture* (2022-)

Board of Advisors, Adeodatus Society for Catholic Education (2022-)

COVID Reopening Committee, St. Agnes School (2020)

Advisory board member for Catholic Women's Revival Series, Catholic University of America Press (2020-)
Board Member, Fellowship of Catholic Scholars (2020-2023; 2023-2026)

- Program committee for 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, and 2025 conferences (chairman in 2025).
- Nominating committee, website committee, membership

Associate Editor, *Voegelin View* (2018-)

Editorial board member, *Newman Studies Journal* (2018-2021)

Contributing editor, *Gilbert* (2004-)

Auditor for St. Peter and St. Clemens Mutual Aid Society (2014-).

Board of Expert Contributors, *Aleteia* (2013-2015)

Board Member for St. John Henry Newman Association (2013-17)

- Elected Vice President, 2015-2017
- Proposed and chaired committee for the John Ford Fellowship to help fund younger Newman scholars coming to the NAA conference
- Program Chair for 2015 Conference at Seton Hall University, "Newman, Francis, and the Role of the Faithful" and program chair and on-site organizer for 2017 conference at University of St. Thomas, "Newman: Looking for Truth, Finding Mercy."

Board Member and Organizer for The Argument of the Month Club, St. Paul, Minnesota (2010-2015)

Vice President of The Chapelstone Foundation (2009-Present)

Catechist for new parents, with Catherine Deavel, Nativity of our Lord Parish, St. Paul (2003-2017)

Article and Book Refereeing

American Catholic Philosophical Quarterly

Forum Philosophicum

Journal of Markets and Morality

Logos: A Journal of Catholic Thought and Culture

Newman Studies Journal

Perspectives on Political Science

Review of Austrian Economics

Rowman and Littlefield Publishing

Angelico Press

Fellowship of Catholic Scholars Quarterly

Journal of Inklings Studies

Journal for Religion, Culture, and Democracy

New Blackfriars

Religions

Nova et Vetera

Wroclaw Theological Journal

ACS Press

Catholic University of America Press

Professional Associations

Academy of Catholic Theology

Federalist Society

National Association of Scholars

The Philadelphia Society

University Faculty for Life

American Catholic Philosophical Association

Fellowship of Catholic Scholars

St. John Henry Newman Association

Society of Catholic Social Scientists

Languages

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References

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