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Higher Education

University of North Dakota, BA, Religious Studies
Catholic Theological Union of Chicago, MTS, 1981,
University of St Thomas, St Paul, MN – post-grad studies

Employment

1996-present. **Publishing & Teaching**

2015-2021, Adjunct Faculty at IPS Loyola Univ Chicago

2007-2015. Director, The Pastoral Center at 23rd Publications

2005-2007. President & Publisher, Twenty-Third Publications, Mystic, CT

1998-2005. Senior research advisor to the Catholic textbook divisions
of MacMillan-McGraw Hill and Harcourt

1996-1998. RCL Enterprises, Allen, TX

(A publishing house that produces Catholic textbooks)

Vice President, Director of Marketing & Research

1992-1996. **Midwest Art Conservation Lab**

(A regional art conservation laboratory located at the Minneapolis Institute of Arts)

Executive Director

1976-1992. **Administration & Strategic Planning**

1987-1992. Church of St. Stephen, Anoka, MN

Administrator

1982-1987. Diocese of New Ulm, MN

Administrator

1979-1982. Sabbatical for graduate study at CTU

1976-1979. Diocese of Crookston, MN

Administrator

1972-1976. **Perco, Inc.**, Perham, MN

(A small group of retail stores.)

Assistant Manager, Director of Marketing

Other Engagements

Parroquia San Lucas Toliman, 1982-1987 (Strategic Planning)

(A parish and community development project in rural Guatemala)

Common Hope, 1985-present (Board member, Chair, Development, and
Strategic Planning)

(A non-profit organization working in Guatemala among the materially poor)

Faculty assignments:

International lecture schedule at various universities
The University of Dallas | 2004-2011 Adjunct Faculty
Loyola University New Orleans | 2007-2010 Visiting Faculty
Loyola Marymount Univ | 2015-2019 Lecturer in Pastoral Planning
Loyola University Chicago | 2015-2021 Adjunct Faculty
(I led and served on the team of their graduate certificate program in the UK.)

Published Works

Current Titles

- *Promise and Hope: Pastoral Theology in the Age of Mercy.* (Twenty-Third Pubs, 2019). Winner of two first place awards from the Catholic Media Association in 2020.
- *The Story and Promise of Vatican II—in Plain English* (The Pastoral Center, 2020)
- *Growing Faith, 3rd edition* (Bayard Inc, 2023)
- *The Pastoral Parish in the Modern World* (Pastoral Center, 2023)
- *Daily Christian Prayer: Hearing the Echo Within* (Sanctus Pubs, 2025)
- *Speaking of God: Honest Christianity for a World Seeking Hope* (Bayard, 2026)
- *Speaking of Scripture: Homilies that Speak to the Heart.* (Sanctus Pubs, 2026)
- *The Attentive Gardener: A Quest for Good Soil, a Few Worms, and Love in the Garden* (Sanctus Pubs, 2026)
- *I Have Loved You: Group Reading Guide for Dilexi te.* (Bayard, 2026)
- *You Are Called to Greatness: Pope Leo's Message to Youth* (Bayard, 2026)

Booklets and booklet series (some may be out of print now)

- *Who Do People Say That I Am?* (Los Angeles: Franciscan Communications, 1990)
- *The New Scripture Way of the Cross* (Mystic, CT: Twenty-Third, 1993)
- *Scripture Stations of the Cross: Remembering Pope John and Celebrating Vatican II* (Mystic, CT: Twenty-Third, 1999)
- *Divine Renovation: Group Reading Guide* (Twenty-Third Pubs, 2015)
- *Group Reading Guide for The Joy of the Gospel* (Twenty-Third Pubs, 2013)

- *Praying the Stations with Pope Francis* (Twenty-Third Publications, 2014)
- *Group Reading Guide for the Care of our Common Home* (Twenty-Third Pubs, 2015)
- *Be Merciful: Reflections on the Spiritual and Corporal Works of Mercy* (Twenty-Third Pubs, 2015)
- *Group Reading Guide for Amoris Laetitia* (Twenty-Third Pubs, 2016)
- *The Art of Accompaniment* (Twenty-Third Pubs, 2017)
- *Group Reading Guide for Gaudete et Exsultate* (Twenty-Third Pubs, 2018)
- *Group Reading Guide for Fratelli Tutti* (Twenty-Third Pubs, 2020)

Books *(some are now out of print)*

- *Grace* (Mystic, CT: Twenty-Third Publications, 1988). Named among the top seven most important books on Spirituality by the readers of US Catholic.
- *Rethinking Sacraments* (Mystic, CT: Twenty-Third Pubs, 1989)
- *A New Look at Prayer* (Mystic, CT: Twenty-Third Pubs, 1991)
- *A Radical Guide for Catholics* (Mystic, CT: Twenty-Third Publications, 1992)
- *Vatican II in Plain English*, (South Bend: Ave Maria Press, 1996.)
- *Praying with John XXIII* (Ijamsville, MD: The Word Among Us, 1999)
- *People of God at Prayer* (Mystic, CT: Twenty-Third Pubs, 2000)
- *The General Directory for Catechesis -- in Plain English*. (Mystic, CT: Twenty-Third Publications, 2001)
- *Whole Community Catechesis: In Plain English*. (Mystic, CT: Twenty-Third Publications, 2002)
- *Continuing the Journey* (Thomas More, 2002, General Editor)
- *Imagining a New Church* (Thomas More, 2003, General Editor)
- *Handbook for Success in Whole Community Catechesis*. (Mystic, CT: Twenty-Third Publications, 2004)
- *Bringing It All Home: Whole Community Catechesis* (Harcourt, 2004, Gen'l Editor)
- *The Pastor's Guide to Whole Community Catechesis* (Twenty-Third Pubs, 2005)
- *Dreams and Visions: Pastoral Planning for Lifelong Faith Formation*. (Twenty-Third Pubs, 2007)
- *Great Expectations: A Pastoral Guide for Partnering with Parents* (Twenty-Third Pubs, 2010)
- *The Art of Self-giving Love* (ACTA, 2013)
- *Toward a Culture of Holiness for the Parish* ACTA, 2013)
- *The Spiritual Wisdom of St John XXIII* (Twenty-Third Pubs, 2014)
- *Jesus: the Master Catechist* (Twenty-Third Pubs, 2015)

Adult faith formation curriculum

- *The Growing Faith Project* | *Creciendo en la Fe* (Twenty-Third Pubs, 2005)
Presenting the entire *Catechism* in Plain English or Spanish
- *Into the Fields* (Twenty-Third Publications, 2007, general editor)
- *Growing Up Catholic* | *Creecer en la Fe Católica*. PastoralPlanning.com, 2011) Sacramental Prep formation that coaches parents, now funded by a Lilly Grant
- *Come to the Table* | *Ven a la Mesa* (PastoralPlanning.com, 2011)
- *Our Catholic Life* | *Nuestra Vida Católica* (Twenty-Third Pubs, 2016)

Video, eResource, & Other Medi

- *The Mystery of God*. (Allen, TX Thomas More, 1997. Three 28-minute films.) Writer & executive producer.
- *What Ever Happened to Grace?* (St. Anthony Messenger Press, 1999. Audio)
- *Seven Key Principles for Whole Community Catechesis: The DVD*. (Mystic, CT: Twenty-Third Publications, 2004)
- *The Vatican II Project* | *El Proyecto del Vaticano II* (PastoralPlanning.com, 2012)

Hundreds of articles in trade journals

40 years of public lectures at universities, dioceses, and other groups around the US, Canada, and the UK