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EDUCATION

2020. Ph. D. (philosophy), Maynooth University (Nat'l. Univ. of Ireland; transferred from U.D.). Dissertation (on Ratzinger's Bonaventure) supervised by Prof. Philipp W. Rosemann. Defended for Profs. William Desmond & John Milbank.

2017. The University of Dallas, Institute of Philosophic Studies, Coursework & comprehensive exams completed. GPA: 3.71.

2016. The University of Dallas, Master's Degree in Philosophy.

2010. The Seminary of the Southwest, Austin, TX. Diploma in Anglican Studies. GPA: 4.0.

2000. Westminster Theological Seminary, Philadelphia, PA. MDiv in General Theological Studies. Areas of independent study: gender in the church, the theology of Karl Barth, the thought of Soren Kierkegaard, urban ministry, pastoral counseling. GPA: 3.69.

1997. The University of Texas (at Austin), Austin, TX. BA (philosophy), BBA (finance). GPA: 3.30. While an undergraduate also studied at *La Universidad Iberoamericana* in Mexico City.

**TEACHING
EXPERIENCE**

Spring 2021. "Introduction to Medieval Philosophy" at the University of Texas at Tyler. Focus on the nature of medieval thought; for upper division undergraduates, with special reference to theological connections, based on readings from Augustine, Bonaventure, Aquinas, Josef Pieper, and others.

2016-current. "Introduction to Philosophy" at The University of Texas at Tyler. Taught basic philosophical concepts to undergraduates, based on readings in Plato, C. S. Lewis, & Nietzsche.

Fall, 2016-current. "Introduction to Ethics" at The University of Texas at Tyler. Taught basic ethical principles, based on assigned readings in Aristotle, MacIntyre, & secondary sources.

**PASTORAL
MINISTRY
EXPERIENCE**

2010–present. Founding Campus Pastor, Christ Church South (Episcopal), Tyler, TX (second campus of Christ Episcopal Church), opened for public worship Advent 2016.

2009–2010. Assistant Rector, St. Richard's Episcopal Church, Round Rock, TX.

2005–2008. Associate Pastor (for youth), Christ the King Presbyterian Church, Austin, TX.

2001–2004. Planting Pastor, Emanuel Presbyterian Church, Austin, TX. Congregation 70% Hispanic with numerous immigrant families & individuals.

**WRITING &
SPEAKING
(SELECTED)**

Expected early 2024. Commissioned chapter on the early Joseph Ratzinger, for the forthcoming *Oxford Handbook of Joseph Ratzinger*, ed. Tracey Rowland & Francesca Aran Murphy.

Forthcoming. "A 'Doctrine of the History of God with Men': Ratzinger, de Lubac, and Milbank on Joachimism," co-authored with Philipp Rosemann, accepted for forthcoming *Festschrift* in honor of John Milbank. Also set to be translated into Spanish, to appear in *Estudios: Filosofia, Historia, Letras*.

Forthcoming. "Body in the Middle: Dante's Reticence about Touch in *Purgatorio* XVII–XXIII," in *Radical Orthodoxy: Theology, Philosophy, Politics*.

July 2021. "Thomas Aquinas on Anger," in *Righteous Indignation: Christian Theological and Philosophical Perspectives on Anger*, ed. Bock and Lewis (Fortress Press).

**WRITING &
SPEAKING
(SELECTED),
CONT'D.**

- Under contract. *Repetition and Mythos: Ratzinger's Bonaventure & the Meaning of History*. Eugene, OR. Wipf & Stock Publishers. 2021.
- February 2021. Review of Nancey Murphy, *A Philosophy of the Christian Religion in The Living Church*.
- October 2019. "Ratzinger's Bonaventure: *Prolegomena, Poiësis, & Proposed Conclusions*." Paper presented at the Patristics, Medieval, and Renaissance Conference at Villanova University.
- April 2019. "The Story of Reality: Ratzinger's Bonaventure on the Beginning, Middle, & End of the World." Invited presentation of the content of Ph. D. dissertation. Sponsored by the University of Texas at Tyler Department of Philosophy & Religious Studies.
- September 2018. "Priesthood as Public Pilgrimage," presentation at "RadVo," Church of the Incarnation, Dallas, TX, sponsored by numerous Episcopal & Anglican seminaries/institutions.
- October 2017. "Amazed by the Body: the Story of Christ Church South (Tyler, Texas)." Invited presentation at the Episcopal Diocese of Texas Clergy Conference.
- October 2017. "Ratzinger's Bonaventure: Authentically anti-Aristotelian?" Paper presented at the Patristics, Medieval, and Renaissance Conference at Villanova University.
- 2017–present. Multiple online articles at livingchurch.org/covenant (heavily trafficked blog).
- April 2017. "The Benedict Option might just save my life." Invited "guest commentary" feature in the *Tyler Morning Telegraph*.
- October 2016. "Tasting Myth: a Brief History of Story (Plato, Nietzsche, Lewis)." Invited presentation at the Mockingbird Conference in Tyler, Texas.
- October 2015. "*Terra Inanis et Vacua*: Why Matter Matters for Miltonian Monism." Paper presented at the Patristics, Medieval, and Renaissance Conference at Villanova University.
- Fall 2014. Review of Adrian Pabst, *Metaphysics: the Invention of Hierarchy in Pro Ecclesia*.
- Spring 2014. "Body in the Middle: on Dante's Reticence about Touch." Invited presentation at the University of Dallas Institute of Philosophic Studies Colloquium.
- Fall 2013. "Theology before Law: Thomas *versus* Scotus on the Nature and Status of the Second Tablet of the Decalogue." Invited presentation at the University of Dallas Institute of Philosophic Studies Colloquium.
- August 2013. "*Mathêsis* Newly Imagined: Descartes' Univocal Construal of Nature," lecture presented at "The Soul" Conference at Oxford University (England), sponsored by the Centre of Theology and Philosophy, University of Nottingham (England).
- September 2011. "Christians Then & Now: Religious Art & the Christian Church." Invited lecture at The Tyler Museum of Art (Tyler, Texas) in conjunction with the exhibit "Object of Devotion: Medieval English Alabaster Sculpture from the Victoria and Albert Museum."
- Fall 2008. Review of David Bradshaw, *Aristotle East and West: Metaphysics and the Division of Christendom* in *The Westminster Theological Journal*.

**OTHER ITEMS
OF INTEREST**

Summer 2018. Institut Papst Benedikt XVI, Regensburg, Germany. Scholar-in-Residence while conducting research for doctoral dissertation.

April 2020. "Sharing Christ with Every Woman and Girl, Period." Successful application for \$10,000 grant from the Episcopal Diocese of Texas World Mission Board, intended for the production & distribution of safe feminine hygiene products to indigenous women & girls in the Chimaltenango region of Guatemala (in conjunction with the Santiago de Jerusalén Parish & its leadership).

Summer 2019–present. Tyler in Common. Grassroots community organizing cohort, seeking to advocate for social justice in East Texas. Working under the auspices of the Episcopal Health Foundation (Congregational Development Wing), we have held multiple workshops & sessions, along with monthly meetings (pre-pandemic). Leadership, membership, & participation extremely diverse. Initiative undertaken in light of racial unrest in American society (including Black Lives Matter). Striving to play a unique role in embodying peace & justice in East Texas.

Since 1997, marriage to Bouquet, immigrant to the U.S. from Laos (1980). Daughters' ages 17 & 12.

Fluency in Spanish.

Reading competency in German, biblical Hebrew, biblical & classical Greek, Latin.