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Curriculum Vitae

Qualifications

B.D.Hons (1st class), King's College, London (1978-1981)
Ph.D. (Moral Philosophy), University of Liverpool: thesis subject: Christian Doctrine and Environmental Ethics (1981-1985)
STL, Pontifical University, Maynooth (2005-2007) (summa cum laude)
PhD, Lateran Pontifical University, Rome (2006-2010) (thesis subject: philosophy of education and the pedagogy of God)

Main Positions

Plater College, Oxford (1985-1992)

1985, Lecturer in Christian Ethics
1990, Lecturer in Epistemology, Moral Philosophy, Philosophy of Religion
1991, Dean of Studies

Maryvale Institute, Birmingham (1992-2013)

1992, Director, Masters Programme in Religious Education and Catechetics
1995, Dean of Higher Education
1998, Deputy Director for Academic Affairs
2008, Dean of Graduate Research
2012, Acting Director

Archdiocese of Birmingham (2001-2004)

Director of Adult Education, Archdiocese of Birmingham

The School of the Annunciation, Buckfast Abbey, UK (2013-2017)

Reader in the New Evangelisation

Franciscan University, Steubenville (2015-)

Professor of Theology (Catechetics)
Director, The Catechetical Institute (2015-)
Director, Office of Catechetics (2015-2020)

Publications

Academic

‘The Earth as a Gift’ (with Eldred Willey), *New Blackfriars* February 1993
‘Will animals be redeemed?’ (with Eldred Willey), in A.Linzey (ed): *Animals on the Agenda*, SCM 1998

'Parents as Primary Educators', in J.Redford (ed), *Theology and Catechesis for the New Millennium*, Veritas 2003

Entries on 'St.Augustine', 'St.Thomas Aquinas', 'Catechism of the Catholic Church', 'Sex Education', in Thomas Hunt, Ellis Joseph and Ronald Nuzzi (eds), *Catholic Schools in the U.S.: An Encyclopedia*, Greenwood Press 2004

The Catechism of the Catholic Church and the Craft of Catechesis, with C.Schonborn, B.Morgan, and P.de Cointet, Ignatius Press 2008

'An Original Pedagogy for Catechesis', 'The Teacher and the Pedagogue' and 'The Pedagogy of God: Aim and Process', in Caroline Farey, Waltraud Linning, Sr M. Johanna Paruch FSGM (eds): *The Pedagogy of God: Its centrality in Catechesis and Catechist Formation*, Emmaus Road Publishing 2011, 15-79.

'La Pédagogie de Dieu et la Catéchèse: Fondements', in W.Linnig (ed), *Catéchèse et Pédagogie de Dieu Aujourd'hui*, Parole et Silence 2011, 157-245.

'Education: An Ethical Activity', in Andrew B Morris (ed), *Applied Ethics - Catholic Education Across Four Continents*, Cambridge Scholars Publishing 2012

'The Catechism of the Catholic Church and the New Evangelisation', in P.Grogan and K. Kim (eds), *The New Evangelization: Faith, People, Context and Practice*, London: Bloomsbury T & T Clark 2015, 209-220.

Foreword to F.Etheredge, *Faith and Reason in Dialogue*, Cambridge Scholars Publishing 2016

'On-Going Formation in Catechesis: Learning the Art of Making Everything Easier', *The Josephinum Diaconal Review*, 5, September/October 2017

'Catechetical Thinking in the Face of Critical Theory: Developing a Marian Understanding', *Ecce Mater Tua*, Vol 1, Jan 2018, 133-147

'Dio Cerca L'Uomo e si Rivela', in E.Bruno (ed), *Il Catechista Testimone Della Fede*, Milano: San Paolo, 2018, 55-66

Speaking the Truth in Love: The Catechism and the New Evangelization, edited with S.Sollom, Steubenville: Emmaus Academic, 2019

'The Catechism Enshrines the Pedagogy of God', in *Speaking the Truth in Love: The Catechism and the New Evangelization*, edited by P.Willey and S.Sollom (eds) Steubenville: Emmaus Academic, 2019, 199-218

'From the Sign to the Mystery: Developing A Fruitful Liturgical Catechesis', in Barbara Stühlmeyer (ed), *Auf Christus getauft: Glauben leben und verkünden im 21. Jahrhundert Katechesestudien für Bischof Tebartz-van Elst*, Butzon & Bercker, 2019, 350-372

'A Rich Heritage of Sanctity: the Cultural Contribution of pre-Reformation English and Welsh Saints', in T. Rowland (ed), *The Patrimony of Anglicanism in the Catholic Communion: The Gift of the Ordinariates*, Bloomsbury 2021, 131-149

'Climbing the Wrekin', in B. Besong and J. Fuqua (eds), *By Strange Ways: Theologians and Their Journey into the Catholic Church*, Ignatius Press 2022

Catechesis and Evangelization: Learning the Craft from the School of Alexandria (forthcoming)

Applied

Editor, *The Sower*: a quarterly journal for Catholic Religious Educators, priests and catechists. Editorials and regular contributor of articles on catechetics, religious education and reviews of materials, 1992–2013

Become What You Are: The Call and Gift of Marriage (with Katherine Willey), HarperCollins 1991

'Discouragement' (with Katherine Willey), *Nazareth Journal* September 1994.

'Forgiveness, Stars and Saint God', *Nazareth Journal* September 1995.

'Should we be televising Mass?', *Canadian Catholic Review* November 1995

Foreword to J.Tolhurst, *Teach Us to Pray*, Fowler Wright 1996

Introduction to D.Riches (ed), *Authority and Conscience*, Family Publications 1996

Overall editor, *Echoes: Parish Training Materials for Catechists*, The Catholic Truth Society 2003

‘Taking Marriage Vows: Some Moral and Pastoral Considerations’, *Faith*, Sept/Oct 2006
Handing on the Faith, DVD (EWTN Series of 13 discussions on catechetics) 2006
 Editor, *The Lord’s Prayer in the Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church*, The Catholic Truth Society 2007
 ‘Blessed Alcuin, Deacon’, *Diaconal Pastoral Review* May 2012
 ‘The Catechism: A Symphony of Faith’, USCCB 2013 <http://www.usccb.org/beliefs-and-teachings/how-we-teach/catechesis/catechetical-sunday/year-of-faith/teaching-aid-willey.cfm>
Evangelii Gaudium: A Companion for Personal and Group Use (with Barbara Davies), London: CTS, 2014
 ‘The Catechism and the New Evangelisation’, series of articles for *The Catechetical Review* (Franciscan University), 2014-16
Reading the Catechism, London: CTS, 2016
A Year with the Catechism: 365 Day Reading Plan (with Donald Ascii, Dominic Scotto, Elizabeth Siegel), London: CTS/South Bend, IN: Our Sunday Visitor, 2018
 Foreword to A.Schreck, *The Essential Catholic Catechism*, Tan Books 2019
 Foreword to J.Kirby, *Thy Kingdom Come*, St Benedict’s Press 2019
Companion to the Directory for Catechesis (with Joseph White), London: CTS/South Bend, IN: Our Sunday Visitor, 2021
 ‘The Directory for Catechesis, chapters 5-6’, *The Catechetical Review*, January 2021
 ‘Practicing an Organic Reading’, *The Catechetical Review*, July 2021

Course Materials in Theology, Philosophy and Education

Adult education

Faith and Revelation; God the Father, Maryvale Publications 1994
 Editor, The Teachings of John Paul II: *Dominum et Vivificantem; Redemptor hominis; Dives in misericordia; Fides et Ratio; Evangelium Vitae; Familiaris Consortio; Veritatis splendor*, Maryvale Institute 1999
 Editor, *Adult Studies in the Catholic Catechism*, Maryvale Publications 1994-1997

First cycle: Undergraduate level

The Church’s Faith, course book for BA Divinity, Pontifical University, Maynooth validated, 2003
History of Philosophy: Ancient to Medieval, for BA in Philosophy and the Catholic Tradition, OUVS validated 2007
The New Evangelisation, School of the Annunciation, 2014
The Creed and the Catechism, School of the Annunciation, 2014
Philosophical Requirements for the New Evangelisation, School of the Annunciation, 2014
 Introduction to Catechetics and Evangelisation, Franciscan University of Steubenville, 2020

Second cycle: Masters Level

Moral Formation, OUVS validated 1992
Marriage and Sexual Ethics, OUVS validated 1993
Sexual Ethics, OUVS validated 2012
The Deposit of Faith, Franciscan University of Steubenville, 2014
Analyzing Doctrine, Franciscan University of Steubenville, 2014
Philosophical Foundations for Catechesis, Franciscan University of Steubenville, 2015

Academic reviewer work

‘Predicting Evangelistic Behavior During the New Evangelization: A Parish Based Analysis’
Catholic Social Science Review, 2017
‘Woman, Motherhood, the Family, and the Mother of all Peoples’, *Ecce Mater Tua*, 2017
Truth and Love: John Paul II and the Theological Foundations of Catechesis for the New Evangelization, CUA Press 2018
‘Famous Renaissance Paintings of the Annunciation and the relationship between Theology and the Symbolism of Flowers’, *Ecce Mater Tua*, 2019
‘The Virgin Mary’s Intercessory Aversion of the Divine Wrath: Ante-Chalcedonian Foundations of Medieval Piety’, *Ecce Mater Tua*, 2019
Standards for Christian Anthropology, Ruah Woods Press, 2020
Catholic Identity Standards Project, Cardinal Newman Society 2020

Selected lectures and presentations

‘The Rights of Animals’, University of St.David’s, Lampeter (1986)
‘The Earth as a Gift’, University of Durham (1987)
‘Christian Attitudes to the Environment’, Oxford Polytechnic (1989)
‘Catholic Social Teaching’, *Rerum Novarum* Conference, Liverpool (1991)
‘Catholic Sexual Ethics’, Salford Conference of Priests (1994)
‘Sex Education in Catholic Schools’, Guild of Catholic Doctors, Birmingham (1994)
‘Tax Reform and Financial Support for the Family’, paper presented to the Government Policy Unit, 10 Downing Street (1995)
‘How to present *Humanae Vitae*’, Netherhall Conference, London (1995).
‘Education of the Laity’, Newman Association, Birmingham (1995)
‘Values clarification and the presentation of moral issues in secondary teaching’, Life Conference (1996)
‘Developments in Moral Theology 1850-2000’, Winchester Historical Association (2000)
‘The role of hope in Catholic education’, Catholic Association of Teachers, Schools and Colleges, Coventry (2001)
‘The Holy Spirit and the Moral Life’, Franciscan University, Steubenville, Ohio (2002)
‘The Catechism and the Transcendentals’, International Catechetical Conference, Gaming, Austria (2003)
‘Norms for the Guidance of Teenage Moral Development’, Franciscan University, Steubenville, Ohio (2003)
‘Mary, Catechumen and Catechist’, Franciscan University, Steubenville, Ohio (2004)
‘Alcuin and the Culture of Catechesis’, Franciscan University, Steubenville, Ohio (2005)
‘The Pedagogy of God and the Spirituality of Teaching’, St Cecilia’s Academy, Nashville (2006)
‘Dialogue, Methodology and the Compendium’, Diocese of Fargo (2006)
‘Going deeper into the Catechism, 15 Years Later’, Diocese of Duluth (2007)
‘The Holy Spirit and the Pedagogy of God’, Franciscan University, Steubenville, Ohio (2007)
‘Teaching with the Catechism’, Apostolic Vicariate of Arabia (2008)
‘Challenges Facing Private, Not-for-Profit Higher Education Institutions’, UK Quality Assurance Agency, Gloucester (2010)
‘The Theology of Romantic Love’, Conference on Marriage and the Family, Maryvale Institute (2011)
‘Models of Catechesis and the New Evangelisation’, Provincial Franciscan Chapter of Ireland (2011)
‘Liturgical Catechesis and the Catechism of the Catholic Church’, Amicitia Catechistica International Conference, Franciscan University, Steubenville, Ohio (2011)

'An Original Pedagogy and the Transcendentals', St Paul's School of Divinity, The University of St Thomas, Minnesota (2011)
 'Catechesis for the New Evangelization', Language and Catechetical Institute, Gaming, Austria (2012)
 'Perspectives on New Evangelisation', Gradwell Lecture, Liverpool Hope University (2013)
 'The *status quaestionis* of catechesis in the world', International Council for Catechesis, Rome (2013)
 'God comes to Meet Us', International Catechetical Congress, Rome (2013)
 'Waking up to the New Evangelisation', Diocesan Conference of Catechetics, Kansas City, Missouri (2014)
 'From the Sign to the Mystery: Foundations for Liturgical Catechesis', The Liturgical Institute, Mundelein (2015)
 'Christ is Our Peace', St John Bosco Conference, Franciscan University (2015)
 'Pastoral Pedagogy and the Sacraments of Initiation', Diocese of Cleveland (2015)
 'Kerygmatic Catechesis', Priests' Convocation, Diocese of Joliet (2015)
 'The Catechism as a Teaching Tool for the New Evangelisation', OCEA Conference (2015)
 'Mission, Catechesis and the New Evangelization', Day for DREs, Diocese of Arlington, Virginia, (2016)
 Panel Member for Conference on *Laudato Si*, with paper: 'The Book of Nature is One and Indivisible: Laudato Si on Natural Ecology and Human Ecology', Franciscan University (2016)
 'Teaching the Eucharist', Catechetical Summit, Wichita Diocese (2016)
 'Catechesis as the Annunciation of Good News', Keynote for Diocese of Portland Catechetical Conference (2016)
 'Catechesis and the NE', Franciscan University Presents (2016)
 Inservice Day on Marian theology and catechesis, Dioceses of Ohio (2017)
 Panel member, *USCCB Convocation for Catholic Leaders*, Florida (2017)
 'The Pedagogy of the Catechism', 25th Anniversary of the Catechism Conference, Franciscan University of Steubenville, (2017)
 'Fostering a Eucharistic Catechesis', Institute of Church Life, University of Notre Dame (2018)
 'Faith, Hope and Love as the Key to the Catechumenate', Diocese of Forth Worth keynote (2019)
 'Central and Eastern Dioceses: Pastoral Leadership Development', weeklong seminar leader, Gaming, Austria (2019)
 'Mary, the Model of Pastoral Accompaniment', St John Bosco Conference, Franciscan University (2019)
 'Receiving the Word and Handing on the Word', Applied Biblical Studies Conference, Franciscan University (2019)
 'Succisa Virescit', Delbarton Benedictine School, New Jersey (2019)
 'Teaching under God the Teacher', Venice Catechetical Day (2020)
 'The Directory for Catechesis, chapters 5-6', OSV/NCCL Formation Day (2020)

Regular speaker on Catholic issues for US, British and Irish dioceses and communities, especially on new evangelization, pedagogy and educational philosophy, and the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*.

Other appointments

Academic

Validating panel, Plater College, for OUVS, 1998
External Examiner, Theology and Pastoral Studies, Plater College, Oxford, 1999-2001:
Additional Inspector (AI), Teacher Education Division, Ofsted: Specialism: Religious Education, 2001-2007
Open University Validating Panel Working Party, 2003-2005
Lecturer in Sexual Morality, St Mary's Seminary College, Oscott, 2003-2006
External Panel Member, validating panel, St John's College, Nottingham, 2004
External Panel Member, validating panel, All Nations College, 2005
External Panel Member, Validating Panel for Diploma HE for Open Theological College, University of Gloucestershire, 2006-7
Consultant on academic quality, Leo Baeck Jewish College, London, 2005-2009
Doctoral Examiner, Milltown Institute, Dublin, on John Paul II, Phenomenology and the Understanding of Conversion, 2010
External Panel Member, Validating Panel for MA and BA in Theology, University of Gloucestershire, 2011
International Marian Association, *Ecce Mater Tua*, Editorial Board and Reviewer, 2017-
Catholic Social Science Review, Reviewer, 2017-
Institute for Catholic Theology, Advisory Board, Phoenix, 2017-
Inscape, Advisory Board, 2017-
Doctoral supervisor, School of Education, Duquesne University 2017-
Doctoral examiner, University of Notre Dame, Sydney, 2019-
Consultant, Catholic Identity Standards Project, Cardinal Newman Society, 2020-

Ecclesiastical

Consultor, Pontifical Council for the Promotion of the New Evangelization, 2011-present
Catholic representative, Birmingham Churches Together Management Committee, 2005-2009
Synod of Bishops, Expert to XIII Ordinary General Assembly, Rome, New Evangelization for the Transmission of the Christian Faith, 2012
Shrewsbury Diocese, Commission for New Evangelization, 2013-2014
Pontifical Council for the Laity, Woman's Section, Rome, Conference on Women and Work December 2015, Final summary presenter

Current Research Activities and Interests

Patristic catechesis
Philosophy of education
Spirituality, friendship and catechesis
The new evangelization
The *Catechism of the Catholic Church*