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Education

Ph.D., 1982 The University of Chicago Divinity School
Chicago, IL 60637 (Christian Theology)

M.A., 1976 The University of Chicago Divinity School

B.A., 1972 Manhattanville College
Purchase, New York 10577 (Music and Religion)

Academic Positions

1985-Present **Theology Department, Loyola University Chicago**
Department Chair, 2008 - 2016
Director, Ann Ida Gannon, BVM Center for Women and Leadership,
2006-2008
Professor, 2002-
Director, Women's Studies Program, 1992-95
Associate Professor with tenure, 1991-2002
Assistant Professor, 1985-91
Associate Faculty Member in Women's Studies, 2000 -
Graduate (M.A., M.Div., Ph.D.) and undergraduate courses in the Theology
Department, Women's Studies Program, Institute of Pastoral Studies and
Catholic Studies Program

2001, 2007 **Boston College Institute of Religious Education and Pastoral Ministry**
Summer (2001: "Contemporary Issues in Feminist Theology," 2007:
"Introduction to Sacramental and Liturgical Theology")

1983-85 **Duquesne University**
Assistant Professor, Theology Department
Graduate (M.A. and Ph.D.) and undergraduate courses

1984 **Indiana University of Pennsylvania**
Visiting Instructor, Philosophy Department

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1980-83 **St. Norbert College**
 Instructor (1980-82), Assistant Professor (1982-83)
 1983, 87, 89 Summer Theological Institute

Awards, Fellowships and Grants

2017 (Spring) Faculty Fellowship
 Ann Ida Gannon, BVM Center for Women and Leadership

2016 (Fall) Loyola University Paid Research Leave of Absence

2011 (Fall) Visiting Scholar, Fondazione Bruno Kessler, Trento, Italy

2011 (Fall) Loyola University Paid Research Leave of Absence

2010 Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion (\$15,000)
 Graduate Program Teaching Initiative Grant

2009 Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion (\$20,000)
 (with Melissa Browning)

2008 American Academy of Religion Grant (\$4500)
 (with Melissa Browning)

2007 Honorable Mention, Best Gender Issues Book Award
 Catholic Press Association

2007 Faculty Fellowship (Spring; deferred)
 Ann Ida Gannon, BVM Center for Women and Leadership
 Loyola University (deferred)

2005 Research Stimulation Award
 Loyola University Chicago

2004 Visiting Scholar, Ann Ida Gannon Center for Women and Leadership
 Loyola University

2004 Loyola University Paid Research Leave of Absence (Spring)

2001 Loyola University Faculty Scholar Award

2001 Ann O'Hara Graff Award
 Women's Seminar of the Catholic Theological Society of America

2000 Finalist for Sujack Teaching Award, Loyola University Chicago
 Named "Master Teacher" in the College of Arts and Sciences

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- 2000 Loyola University Summer Research Award
- 1999 College Theology Society Book of the Year Award
- 1996-97 Christian Faith and Life Sabbatical Grant
The Louisville Institute (funded by the Lilly Endowment)
- 1994 Faculty Fellow, Center for Ethics Across the University (Spring)
Loyola University Chicago
- 1991 Mellon Grant for Core Curriculum Development (Summer)
Loyola University Chicago
- 1989 Loyola Endowment for the Humanities Faculty Development Stipend
(Summer)
- 1987 Loyola University Paid Research Leave (Fall)
- 1987 Senior Fellow, Institute for the Advanced Study of Religion
The University of Chicago Divinity School (Fall)

Publications

1. Books

Anthropology: Seeking Light and Beauty (Collegeville, MN: Liturgical Press, 2012)

For the Beauty of the Earth: Women, Sacramentality, and Justice (New York: Paulist Press, 2006)

Extravagant Affections: A Feminist Sacramental Theology (New York: Continuum, 1998; paperback edition, 2001)

Broken and Whole: Essays on Religion and the Body, co-edited with Maureen A. Tilley (Washington, D.C.: University Press of America, 1995)

2. Journal Issues Edited

Minorities, co-edited with Daniel Pilario and Solange Lefebvre, 2017/2 (in progress)

Families, co-edited with Erik Borgman, Lisa Sowle Cahill, and Sarojini Nadar, 2016/2

Christianity, Consumption, and the Market, co-edited with Diego Irrarazaval and Sarojini Nadar, 2014/4

Reform of the Curia, co-edited with Luiz Carlos Susin and Silvia Scatena, *Concilium* 2013/5

Bishops, Theologians, and the Magisterium, co-edited with Felix Wilfred, *Concilium* 2012/2

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Ministries in the Church: North-South Dialogue, co-edited with Paul D. Murray and Maria Clara Bingemer, *Concilium*, 2010/1

The Many Faces of Mary, co-edited with Diego Irarrazaval and Marie-Theres Wacker, *Concilium* 2008/5

Liturgy and the Body, guest editor for *Liturgy* 23: 4 (November 2008)

Stages of Life and Christian Experience, co-editor with Solange Lefebvre, *Concilium* 2007/5

Women's Voices in World Religions, co-editor with Hille Haker and Marie-Theres Wacker, *Concilium* 2006/3 (July 2006)

Marriage: Sacrament or Civil Union? guest editor for *Liturgy* 20:3 (May 2005)

3. Work in Progress

Women, Beauty, and Justice, book manuscript under contract with Bloomsbury Press

"Pleasure and Pain," Entry for *The Encyclopedia of Religious Ethics*, Wiley-Blackwell

4. Articles and Book Chapters

"Power and Weakness: Liturgy, Justice and the World," in *Liturgy + Power*, ed. Brian Flanagan and Johann Vento, College Theology Society Annual Volume 62 (Maryknoll, NY: Orbis Books, 2016), forthcoming

"To Speak of God in a Feminine Way in the Churches and Theologies of the Americas," in *ascolto dell'America: popoli, culture, religioni, strade per il futuro* (Pontifical University Urbaniana University Press, 2014), 381-390

"Self-Love and Ministerial Practice," in *Professional Sexual Ethics: a Holistic Ministry Approach*, ed. Patricia Beattie Jung and Darryl W. Stephens, (Minneapolis: Fortress Press, 2013), 77-86

"Conversion, the New Evangelization, and the Call of Vatican II," *Proceedings of the Catholic Theological Society of America* 2013, 55-69

"Joys and Hopes, Grievs and Anxieties: Catholic Women Since Vatican II," *New Theology Review* 25/2 (Spring 2013), 30-38.

"The Bride of Christ and the Church Body Politic," in *Verifiche: Rivista di scienze umane* XLII, n. 1-3 (2013), 215-230.

"Margaret Farley, the Vatican, and *Just Love*," in *Concilium* 2013/3, 119-122.

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“For the Beauty of the Earth: Women, Sacramentality, and Justice,” in *She Who Imagines: Feminist Theological Aesthetics*, ed. Laurie Cassidy and Maureen H. O’Connell, eds. (New York: Fordham University Press, 2012), 5-15.

“Feminist Spirituality and Health Care,” in *The Textbook of Spirituality in Healthcare*, ed. Mark Cobb, Christina Puchalski and Bruce Rumbold (Oxford, UK: Oxford University Press, 2012), 31-36.

“Women in Jesuit Higher Education: Ten Years Later,” in *Crossing Borders: Jesuit and Feminist Education for the Twenty-First Century* (New York: Fordham University Press, 2011), 242-253.

“Christ as Bride: Toward a Christology of Diversity,” *God, Science, Sex, Gender: An Interdisciplinary Approach to Christian Ethics*, ed. Patricia Beattie Jung and Aana Marie Vigen (Urbana: University of Illinois Press, 2010), 211-223.

“Making Room for Beauty,” *Prophetic Witness: Catholic Women’s Strategies for the Church*, ed. Colleen Griffith (New York: Crossroad Press, 2009), 150-58.

“The Goods and Evils of a Globalized Context: African and American Women Doing Theology” (with Melissa Browning and Elisabeth Vasko), *Concilium* 2009/1 (44-51)

“Mary: Human, Feminine, Divine?” *The Many Faces of Mary*, *Concilium* 2008/5, 27-33

“Teologia femminista in Nordamerica,” *Credere Oggi* 164 (2/08), 55-71.

“Christian Anthropology and Gender Essentialism: Classicism and Historical-Mindedness,” *Concilium* 2006/1 (January 2006), 43-50.

“Women, Beauty, and Justice: Moving Beyond von Balthasar,” *Journal of the Society of Christian Ethics* 25/1 (Spring/Summer 2005), 79-98.

“Can Women Become Priests? A Catholic Feminist Perspective,” *Journal of Hindu-Christian Studies* 18 (2005), 3-9

“Feminist Theology and Sacramental Theology: Old and New Challenges,” *The Gestures of God: Essays in Sacrament and Sacramentality*, ed. Geoffrey Rowell and Christine Hall (New York and London: Continuum, 2004), 109-25.

“The Complexities and Ambiguities of the ‘Prophetic Dimension’: A Response,” in *American Catholics, American Culture: Tradition & Resistance*, ed. Margaret O’Brien Steinfels (Lanham, MD: Rowman and Littlefield, 2004), 43-48

“Gender, Culture, and Christian Faith Formation,” in *Religious Education of Boys and Girls*, in *Concilium* 2002/4, ed. Lisa Sowle Cahill and Werner Jeanrond), 17-27.

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“Church and Sacrament -- Community and Worship,” in *The Cambridge Companion to Feminist Theology*, ed. Susan Frank Parsons (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2002), 224-242.

“Salvation in and for the World: Church and Sacraments,” *The Praxis of the Reign of God: An Introduction to the Theology of Edward Schillebeeckx*, ed. Mary Catherine Hilker and Robert J. Schreiter (New York: Fordham University Press, 2002), 133-148.

“Féminisme et théologie,” *Raisons Politiques: Études de Pensée Politique* 4 (Novembre 2001), 133-146

“The Bridegroom and the Bride: the Theological Anthropology of John Paul II and its Relation to the Bible and Homosexuality,” in *Sexual Diversity and Catholicism: Toward the Development of Moral Theology*, ed. Patricia Beattie Jung (Collegeville, MN: Liturgical Press, 2001), 39-59.

“Liturgy and Ethics: Feminist Perspectives,” *The Annual of the Society of Christian Ethics* (The Society of Christian Ethics, 2000), 263-74

“A Christian Response to Incarnation,” in *Christianity in Jewish Terms*, ed. David Fox Sandmel (New York: Westview Press/Perseus Books, 2000), 262-68

“Catholic Women Theologians of ‘the Left,’” in *What’s Left: Liberal American Catholics*, ed. Mary Jo Weaver (Bloomington, IN: Indiana University Press, 1999), 19-45

“The Jesuits and Women: Reflections on the 34th General Congregation’s Statement on the Situation of Women in Church and Civil Society,” *Conversations on Jesuit Higher Education* 16 (Fall 1999), 20-28

“The Women’s Movement and Theology in the Twentieth Century,” in *The Twentieth Century: A Theological Overview*, ed. Gregory Baum (Maryknoll, NY: Orbis Books, 1999) 186-203

“Feminist Theological Studies at the Threshold of the Third Millennium,” in *At the Threshold of the Third Millennium*, ed. Francis A. Eigo (Villanova, PA: Villanova University Press, 1998), 171-199

“Evil and Hope: Foundational Moral Perspectives,” *Proceedings of the Catholic Theological Society of America*, Vol. 50 (1995) 46-63

“Extravagant Affections: Women's Sexuality and Theological Anthropology,” *In the Embrace of God: Feminist Approaches to Theological Anthropology*, ed. Ann O'Hara Graff (Maryknoll: Orbis Books, 1995) 105-121; reprinted in *Sex and Marriage in the Catholic Tradition: An Historical Overview*, ed. Douglas R. Letson (Ottawa: Novalis Press, 2001), 529-543.

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“Introduction” (co-authored with Elizabeth A. Johnson) and “The Physical and Social Context for Feminist Theology and Spirituality,” *Theological Studies* 56 (June 1995) 327-341; reprinted as “Feminist Theology: A Review of Literature” in *Readings in Moral Theology No. 9: Feminist Ethics and the Catholic Moral Tradition*, ed. Charles E. Curran, Margaret A. Farley and Richard A. McCormick, S.J. (Mahwah, NJ: Paulist Press, 1996), 11-30

“Body,” Major Entry for *The New Dictionary of Catholic Spirituality*, ed. Michael Downey (Collegeville, MN: The Liturgical Press, 1993) 93-100

“Sacraments and Women's Experience,” *Listening* 28 (Winter 1993) 52-64

“God's Embodiment and Women: Sacraments,” *Freeing Theology: The Essentials of Theology in Feminist Perspective*, ed. Catherine M. LaCugna (San Francisco: HarperSanFrancisco, 1993) 185-209

“The Bride of Christ and the Body Politic: Body and Gender in Pre-Vatican II Marriage Theology,” *The Journal of Religion* 71/3 (July 1991) 345-361; reprinted in *Marriage: Readings in Moral Theology 15*, ed. Charles E. Curran and Julie Hanlon Rubio (Mahwah, NJ: Paulist Press, 2009), 36-56

“‘He has cast down the mighty from their thrones and has exalted the lowly’: A Feminist Conception of Power,” *That They May Be One: Theologies of Empowerment and Leadership in the Church*, ed. Michael Downey (Collegeville: Liturgical Press, 1991) 145-159

“The Human Face of Suffering and Healing,” *Suffering and Healing in Our Day*, ed. Francis A. Eigo (Villanova: Villanova University Press, 1990) 1-28

“‘Then Honor God in Your Body’ (1 Cor. 6:20): Feminist and Sacramental Theology on the Body,” *Horizons* 16/1 (Spring 1989) 7-27; reprinted in *Horizons on Catholic Feminist Theology*, ed. Joann Wolski Conn and Walter E. Conn (Washington, D.C.: Georgetown University Press, 1992) 109-132

“Salvation in and for the World: Church and Sacraments,” *The Praxis of Christian Experience: An Introduction to the Theology of Edward Schillebeeckx*, ed. Robert J. Schreiter and Mary Catherine Hilkert (San Francisco: Harper and Row, 1989), 101-115

“The Aesthetic and the Sacramental,” *Worship* 59 (January 1985) 2-17

Shorter Essays

“Why Teach Theology? An Interview with Susan Ross,” *U.S. Catholic*, February 2015

“Foreword” to Gary Macy, William T. Ditewig and Phyllis Zagano, *Women Deacons: Past, Present, Future* (Mahwah, NJ: Paulist Press, 2011)

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(With Melissa Browning) "Exploring Global Feminist Theologies in a Postcolonial Space: A Learning and Research Project for Feminist Graduate Students and Post-Graduates from Africa and the U.S.," *Religious Studies News* May 2010 (on line):

http://www.rsonline.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=153&Itemid=219

"Women and the Pre-Vatican II Church: More than just "Doubt," in *To the Treasury: Reclaiming the Riches of Pre-Vatican II Catholicism*, ed. William Madges and Michael J. Daley (Maryknoll, NY: Orbis Books, 2010), 47-50.

Interview: "Ziemia jest kobietą," *Polityka* 23/9 (9 czerwca 2007), 120-22 (Polish newsweekly interview).

"The Church is Intellectual," in *The Many Marks of the Church*, ed. William Madges and Michael J. Daley (New London, CT: Twenty-Third Publications, 2006), 141-145

"Eros and Agape: Some Feminist Reflections," *America* (March 13, 2006)

"Male and Female, God Created Them: Rethinking John Paul II's Theology of the Body," *U.S. Catholic* 70/9 (September 2005), 29-33

"Can God Be a Bride?" *America* 191/13 (November 1, 2004), 12-15

Interview, *Frontline: India's National Magazine* 21/19 (September 11-24, 2004), 87-89

"A Measure of Greatness," *Commonweal* CXXX/17 (October 10, 2003), 12-13

"What Jesus Tells Us About Leadership," *Loyola Magazine* (Summer 2001), 22-23

"Like a Fish Without a Bicycle?" *America* 181/17 (November 27, 1999), 10-13

"Women and the Church," *Loyola Magazine* (Winter 1998), 14-15.

"Remembering Ann O'Hara Graff, Theologian," *Criterion* 36, No. 2 (Spring/Summer 1997), 27-31.

"Reflections on Revelation," *Commonweal* CXXIV, No. 12 (June 20, 1997), 18

"Flesh: Pastoral-Liturgical Tradition," Entry for *The Collegeville Pastoral Dictionary of Biblical Theology*, ed. Carroll Stuhlmueller, et. al. (Collegeville: Liturgical Press, 1996) 343-344.

"Body," Entry for *The Dictionary of Feminist Theologies*, ed. Letty M. Russell and Shannon Clarkson (Louisville: Westminster/John Knox: 1996), 32.

"What do You Have to Worry About?" *U. S. Catholic* 60/10 (October 1995), 34-36.

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“Persistence and Pain,” *Health Progress: Journal of the Catholic Health Association* 76/2 (March 1995) 50-53

“Why It's So Hard To Talk About Sex,” *U.S. Catholic* 60/2 (February 1995) 16-22

“*The Body of God: A Feminist Response*,” in Tilley and Ross, eds., *Broken and Whole: Essays on Religion and the Body* (Washington, D.C.: University Press of America, 1995) 153-156

“Failure of Nerve,” *Conscience* XIV/4 (Winter 1993/94) 34-35

“Workshop on Sexual Ethics,” *Proceedings of the Catholic Theological Society of America*, Vols. 48 (1993) 118-119 and 47 (1992) 105-107

“Theological Anthropology Continuing Seminar,” *Proceedings of the Catholic Theological Society of America*, Vols. 44 (1989) 154-55 and 42 (1987) 164-65

“Report of the Ad-Hoc Committee on the U.S. Bishops' Pastoral Letter ‘Partners in the Mystery of Redemption,’” *Proceedings of the Catholic Theological Society of America*, Vol. 44 (1989) 199-205

“Woman, Body and Sacrament: Toward a Renewed Sacramental Theology,” *Miriam's Song II: Patriarchy, A Feminist Critique* (Priests for Equality, 1988) 19-22; Dutch translation, “het lichaam als beeld van God,” *de Bazuin: opinieweekblad voor kerk en samenleving* 72 (April 1989) 8-11

“Response to Stephen Happel,” *Proceedings of the Catholic Theological Society of America*, Vol. 42 (1987) 88-90

“Hans Urs von Balthasar: Review Essay,” *Religious Studies Review* 10 (October 1984) 358-360

Book Reviews (2000-present only)

Rhodora. E. Beaton, *Embodied Words, Spoken Signs: Sacramentality and the Word in Rahner and Chauvet* (Minneapolis, Fortress Press, 2014), in *Horizons* (42/1, Spring 2015), 163-65

Lisa Sowle Cahill, *Global Justice, Christology and Christian Ethics. New Studies in Christian Ethics*. (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2013), in *Theology Today* 71/3 (October 2014), 355-6.

Patrick T. McCormick, *God's Beauty: A Call to Justice* (Collegeville, MN: Liturgical Press, 2012), in *Horizons: Journal of the College Theology Society* (Fall 2013)

Mary J. Henold, *Catholic and Feminist: The Surprising History of the American Catholic Feminist Movement* (Chapel Hill: University of North Carolina Press, 2008), in *The Journal of Religion* 89/4 (October 2009), 584-86.

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John M. McDermott and John Gavin, *John Paul II on the Body: Human, Eucharistic, Ecclesial* (Philadelphia: St. Joseph's University Press, 2007) in *Theological Studies* 70/1 (March 2009), 223-4.

Beverly W. Harrison, *Justice in the Making: Feminist Social Ethics* (Louisville and London: Westminster John Knox Press, 2003), in *Journal of the Society of Christian Ethics* 26/2 (Autumn/Winter 2006), 238-9

Christopher West, *The Theology of the Body Explained: A Commentary on John Paul II's "Gospel of the Body,"* (Pauline Books and Media, 2004), in *Theological Studies* 67/2 (June 2006), 436-8

Paul Lakeland, *The Liberation of the Laity: In Search of an Accountable Church* (New York: Continuum, 2003), in *Horizons* 30/1 (Fall 2003), 306-8

Kenneth L. Woodward, *The Book of Miracles: The Meaning of the Miracle Stories in Christianity, Judaism, Buddhism, Hinduism, and Islam* (New York: Simon and Schuster, 2000) in *The National Catholic Reporter* (May 17, 2002), 33.

"Author's Response," Review Symposium on *Extravagant Affections*, in *Horizons* 27/1 (Spring 2000), 144-48

Constance Classen, *The Color of Angels: Cosmology, Gender and the Aesthetic Imagination* (London and New York: Routledge, 1998) in *The Anglican Theological Review* LXXXIII/I

Stephen D. Brookfield and Stephen Preskill, *Discussion as a Way of Teaching: Tools and Techniques for Democratic Classrooms* (San Francisco: Jossey-Bass, 1999) in *Teaching Theology and Religion* 3/1 (February 2000)

Convention/Conference Presentations (since 1995 only)

"Challenging Justice, Gender and Mercy," Catholic Theological Society Annual Convention, San Juan, Puerto Rico, June 11, 2016

"Power and Weakness: Liturgy, Justice, and the World," Plenary Address, College Theology Society Annual Convention, Kansas City, MO, June 4, 2016

"Freedom from a Theological Perspective," The Genesis of Concepts and the Confrontation of Rationalities, Université catholique de Louvain, Louvain-la-Neuve, October 9, 2015

"The Gift of Women Religious to the Church and the World," Conference on "Catholic Religious Life in a new Millennium," St. Mary's College, Notre Dame, IN, July 14, 2014

"To Speak of God in a Feminine Way in the Churches and Theologies of the Americas," Conference on "Listening to America: Encounter among peoples, cultures, and religions: Pathways for the future," Pontifical University Urbaniana, Rome, Italy, April 9, 2014

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Response to William Clark, SJ, "Milestone Conference: An International Dialogue on Parish Leadership," Institute of Pastoral Studies, Loyola University Chicago, October 25, 2013

"Conversion, the New Evangelization, and the Call of Vatican II," Presidential Address, Catholic Theological Society of America Annual Convention, Miami, FL, June 9, 2013

"The Bride of Christ and the Church Body Politic," Fondazione Bruno Kessler, December 2011
 "Christ as Bride: Toward a Christology of Diversity," Catholic Theological Ethics and the World Church, Trent, Italy, July 25, 2010

Convener and Panelist, "In Search of Global Solidarity: The Future of Catholic Scholarship in the Context of Gender Justice," Catholic Theological Society of America Annual Meeting, Cleveland, OH, June 11, 2010

"Women's Ordination: A Hidden Opening in Ecumenical Discussions," Receptive Ecumenism and Ecclesial Learning: Learning to be Church Together Conference, Durham University, United Kingdom, January, 2009

Convener and Panelist, "Sacramental Theology and Stages of Life," Catholic Theological Society of America Annual Meeting, Miami, FL, June 2008

Convener and Panelist, "Theology in Dialogue with the Arts," Catholic Theological Society of America Annual Meeting, San Antonio, TX, June 2006

Convener and Panelist, "Eschatology and Sexuality," Catholic Theological Society Annual Meeting, St. Louis, MO, June 2005

Panelist, "The Future of the CTSA Women's Seminar in Constructive Theology," Catholic Theological Society Annual Meeting, Reston, VA, June 10, 2004

"Women, Beauty, and Justice," Society of Christian Ethics Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL, January 10, 2004

"Can Women Be Priests?" Panelist, American Academy of Religion Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA, November 22, 2003

"Feminist Theology and Sacramental Theology: Old and New Challenges," International Ecumenical Consultation on Sacrament and Sacramentality, St. George's House, Windsor (UK), October 1, 2003

Panelist, "The Vocation of the Theological Teacher," Catholic Theological Society of America Annual Meeting, Cincinnati, OH, June 2003

Respondent, Panel on *Christianity in Jewish Terms*, American Academy of Religion Annual Meeting, Denver CO, November 2001

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“Theological Implications of the Church’s Teaching on Homosexuality,” Panel Presentation for the Catholic Theological Society of America Annual Meeting, San Jose, CA, June 2000

“Undergraduate Theological Education and the Public Church,” Convener for the Catholic Theological Society of America Annual Meeting, San Jose, CA, June 2000

“Liturgy and Ethics: Feminist Perspectives,” Society of Christian Ethics Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C., January 2000

Panel Discussion of *Extravagant Affections*, Women’s Seminar in Constructive Theology, Catholic Theological Society of America Annual Meeting, Miami, FL, June 1999

“Women, Sacramentality, and Community in Roman Catholicism,” American Academy of Religion Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA, November 1997

“Women and the Eucharist,” Catholic Theological Society of America Annual Meeting, Minneapolis, Minn., June 7, 1997

“A Social Ethic of Caring for the Body,” Society of Christian Ethics Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C., January 1995

Invited Lectures

“More than Praying Twice: Music as a Source of Theological Inspiration,” Mercy Circle, May 7, 2016

“Sexuality and Incarnation: Living Spiritually in the Earthly,” St. Norbert College Pilgrim Series, May 2, 2016

“The New Evangelization and Catholic Health Care,” Loyola University Medical Center Conference, “Catholic Healthcare Ethics in the Age of Pope Francis,” October 9, 2014

“Being Human: Seeking Light and Beauty,” Mercy Circle (associated with St. Xavier University), October 4, 2014

“Behind a Veil of Blood: Women and Violence in the Bible,” with Pauline A. Viviano, Dominican University Siena Center, September 18, 2014

“Catholic Religious Life in a New Millennium: The Gift of Women Religious to the Church and the World,” St. Mary’s College, Notre Dame, IN, July 14, 2014

“Being Human in a Beauty-Obsessed Culture: Some Theological Perspectives,” Belk Lecture, Georgia Wesleyan College, Macon, GA, October 29, 2013

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“Joys and Hopes, Grievs and Anxieties: Catholic Women Since Vatican II,” Vatican II: Then and Now, Joan and Bill Hank Center for the Catholic Intellectual Heritage, September 20, 2012; also the Dee Christie Lecture, John Carroll University, Cleveland, Ohio, October 18, 2012

“From Spotless Bride to Working Partner: Images of the Laity in the 21st Century,” St. Catherine of Siena Annual Lecture, Dominican University, April 24, 2012; Regis University, Denver, CO, March 29, 2012; New Ways Ministry Symposium, Baltimore, MD, March 16, 2012

“Women, Beauty, and Justice: Reflections on Women and the Church,” Boston College, November 14, 2011

“Seeking Light and Beauty,” David and Marilyn Knutson Lecture, Pacific Lutheran University, September 29, 2008; College of St. Scholastica, March 20, 2009

“The Voices of Women: Steps toward Justice and Reconciliation,” Killeen Chair lecture, St. Norbert College, De Pere, WI, March 13, 2007; Chapel Series, Loyola University of Chicago, April 16, 2007

“Dissonance or Harmony: The Symphonic Theology of Hans Urs von Balthasar,” Center for the Catholic Intellectual Heritage, Loyola University Chicago, November 15, 2006

“Love and Justice: The Pope and the LBGTO Community,” National Association of Catholic Diocesan Lesbian and Gay Ministries, Brooklyn, NY, September 22, 2006

“For the Beauty of the Earth: Women, Sacramentality, and Justice,” 20th Madeleva Lecture, St. Mary’s College, Notre Dame, IN, April 20, 2006

“The Bishops and Women: Lessons from the Past and Present,” Inaugural Bishop Joseph Imesch lecture, University of St. Francis, Joliet, IL, November 11, 2005

“Theology and Politics in the Year of the Eucharist,” Duquesne University, October 7, 2005

“Beauty is as Beauty Does: Religion, Women, and Justice,” Manhattanville College, Purchase, NY, April 5, 2005

“Can God Be a Bride? Reflections on Women and the Church,” University of San Francisco, February 22, 2005

“Women’s Work as Unopened Gift: Women and the Church in the 21st Century,” 5th Annual Kennedy Lectures, St. Peter’s Church, Charlotte, NC, October 23, 2004

“Beauty, Bodies, and Justice,” St. Mary’s College (IN), March 30, 2004

“Extravagant Affections and Sacramental Graces,” St. Thomas and St. Catherine Lecture, Barry University, Miami, FL, March 24, 2003

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“‘Be Thou My Vision:’ Women and the Sacramental Life of the Church,” Second Annual Anne Drummy O’Callaghan Lecture, Fairfield University, Fairfield, CT, October 2, 2002

“Sacramentality and Same-Sex Marriage,” New Ways Ministry Annual Meeting, March 2002, Louisville, KY, March 9, 2002

“Beauty of Body: Sexuality, Spirituality and the Beautiful,” and “Sexuality, Spirituality and the Good Life,” Christian Theological Seminary Focus on Ministry 2000, Christian Theological Seminary, Indianapolis, IN, November 1-2, 2000

“Women and the Sacraments: Contemporary Catholic Feminist Perspectives,” Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary, Evanston, IL, October 11, 2000

“Feminist Theological Studies at the Threshold of the Third Millennium,” 1997 Villanova Theology Institute, Villanova, Pa., June 19, 1997

“In the Image of God? Women and the Scriptures,” Interfaith Theological Symposium, Fort Dodge, Iowa, November 12, 1995

“Evil and Hope: Foundational Moral Perspectives,” Plenary Address, Catholic Theological Society of America 50th Annual Meeting, New York, New York, June 1995

“Personal Spirituality and Moral Decision-Making: Feminist Perspectives,” Sister Mary Walburga Dieter Symposium, LaGrange, IL, March 1995

“Persistence and Pain: Women and Healing in the Gospels,” Catholic Health Association and Leadership Council of Women Religious Meeting, Chicago, IL, August, 1994

“The Vocation of the Theologian,” Duquesne University Theology Alumni Reunion, Pittsburgh, PA, August 1992

“The Embodied Priest and the Sacraments: A Feminist Critique,” National Organization for Continuing Education of Roman Catholic Clergy Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA, February 1992

“Roman Catholic Universities: Where Are They Now?” St. Xavier College, Chicago, IL, April 1991

“The Human Face of Suffering and Healing,” Villanova University Theology Institute, Villanova, PA, June 1989

“Thomas Aquinas, Theology and Feminism: Can There Be Dialogue?” St. Thomas Aquinas Lecture, Notre Dame College of Ohio, January 1989

“Dissent: A Historical Perspective,” St. Norbert College Focus Day, De Pere, WI, July 1987

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Workshops and Retreats

“Women, Beauty and Justice,” Presentation to students at Moody Bible Institute, September 24, 2014

“Seeking God through the Voices of Women,” Theology of Park Ridge, January 29, 2014
Mini-course in Contemporary Catholic Theology, Sheil Catholic Center, January-February, 2012

“Contemporary Catholic Theology,” Day of Reflection for Ignatian Volunteers, October 18, 2011

“You may be the only Gospel Someone ever Reads,” Lenten Day of Reflection, St. Nicholas Parish, Evanston, IL, March 26, 2011

“Women, Beauty, and Justice,” Religious of the Sacred Heart of Mary Provincial Day, May 31, 2008

“Women’s Religious Communities and the Eucharist,” Sisters of Charity of the Blessed Virgin Mary (BVM), Chicago, IL (February 2, 2008); Dubuque, Iowa (October 28, 2007)

“Women, Beauty, Sacramentality, and Justice,” Sisters of Charity of St. Elizabeth, Convent Station, NJ, May 1, 2004

“Women and the Sacraments,” Workshop for Ursuline College, Cleveland, OH, April 4, 2003

“Feminist Reflections on the Clergy Sex Abuse Crisis,” Call to Action, November 1, 2002

“Feminism’s Impact on Theology,” Workshop for Religious of the Sacred Heart of Mary, Marymount College, Tarrytown, NY, September 7, 2002

“Women at Worship” and “Worship and Ethics,” Workshop for Leaven (Catholic lay group), Denver CO, February 22-23, 2002

Faith and Life Topical Gathering, Racine, WI, Sisters of Loretto, September 1, 2001

“The Sacraments: Women’s Experiences and Women’s Perspectives,” Diocese of Harrisburg (PA) Day of Reflection, March 3, 2001

“Sexuality, Spirituality, and the Catholic Tradition,” IPM Center for Wholistic Spirituality at St. Thomas University, Miami, FL, December 1, 2000

“Your Daughters Shall Prophesy: Images of God and Shapers of the Dream,” Diocesan Women in the Church Commission, Ottawa, Ontario, May 8, 1999

“Feminism, Human Rights, and Women’s Rights,” 1998 Conference of Major Superiors of Men/Leadership Conference of Women Religious Assembly, Milwaukee, WI, August 1998

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“The Eucharist and Women's Religious Communities,” presentations made to the leadership councils of the Sisters of Charity of the B.V.M.; Sisters of the Living Word; I.H.M. Sisters, 1992-2007

Courses Taught

Undergraduate

Perspectives on Faith

Women and Religion

Introduction to the Humanities

Contemporary Catholic Theology

Religion and Literature

Philosophy of Religion

The Church in the Modern World

The Christian Understanding of the Human Person

Introduction to Theology

The Meaning of Jesus Christ

Theologies of Hope, Rebellion, and Change

The Christian God

Religious Themes in American Literature

Church and Sacrament

God in the Modern World

Issues in Feminism

Ancient and Medieval Christian Thought

Reformation and Modern Christian Thought

Great Christian Thinkers

Theology, Gender and Values

Feminist Theology

Theology and Music

Theology and the Arts

Theology Majors Capstone Seminar

Conscience and Moral Responsibility (Honors Capstone)

Ignatian Traditions (Transfer student course)

Graduate

Women and the Bible

Reformation and Modern Christian Thought

The Theology of Edward Schillebeeckx

Catholicism in the Americas

The Nature and Method of Theology

The Church: Traditions and Challenges

The Phenomenology of Religion

Theological Anthropology

The Historical Development of Roman Catholic Theology

Foundations and Critical Issues in Systematic Theology

Feminist Theology

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The Sacramental Life of the Church

Sacramental and Liturgical Ethics

The Church and Theology: Issues of Authority

Feminist Issues in Theology and Ethics

Intellectual and Institutional Foundations of Women's Studies

Christian Ethicists: Love and the Affections

Beauty and Ethics

The History of Feminist Thought

First Year Ph.D. Seminar: Patristic and Medieval Thought

Integrative Ph.D. Seminar: Theological Anthropology and Economy

Professional Memberships and Activities

American Academy of Religion

Member, Ad-hoc Committee on Responsible Social Investment, 1999 - 2000

Member, Small Grant Award Jury, 2001

Catholic Theological Society of America

Past President, 2013-14; President, 2012-13; President-Elect, 2011-12; Vice-President, 2010-11

Member, Treasurer Search Committee, 2015

Chair, Sacramental and Liturgical Theology Topic Session, 2007-8

Member, LaCugna Award Committee 2004-05

Board of Directors, 1991-93

Member, Ad-Hoc Group of Scholar Members on André Guindon, 1992

Chair, Workshop on Sexual Ethics, 1992, 1993

Chair, Workshop on Hermeneutics, 1991

Chair, Task Force on the U.S. Bishops' Pastoral Letter, "Partners in the Mystery of Redemption," 1988-89

Moderator, Theological Anthropology Continuing Seminar, 1988-89; Co-Moderator, 1986-92

College Theology Society

Awards Committee, 1998

Co-Editor, 1993 Annual Volume

Board of Directors, 1989-92

Representative to the Council of Societies on the Study of Religion, 1988-90; 1993-94

Convener, Sacramental Life and Liturgy Section, 1986-88

Concilium: International Review of Theology, Board of Directors, 2004 - 2016; Foundation

Member and Vice-President, 2005 - 2016

Society of Christian Ethics

Board of Directors, 2000-2003

Executive Director Search Committee, 1999-2000

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Referee, *The Annual/Journal of the Society of Christian Ethics*, 1995 - present

Nominations Committee, 1996-97; 1997-98; 2009-10

Program Committee, 2000, 2002

Committee to establish a Lifetime Achievement Award, 2008-9

Religious Studies Review, Theology and Philosophy of Religion Network Sub-Editor for
Sacramental Theology and Spirituality, 1990-2005

The Liturgical Conference, Board of Directors, 2004 - 2008

Louisville Institute, Selection Committee for Christian Faith and Life Sabbatical Grants, 1997-98

Staff Member, Workshop on Teaching and Learning for Theological School Faculty, Wabash
Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion, 1998-99, 2001-02

Project Participant, "Mapping American Catholicism," for Lilly Endowment-funded project,
"What's Left," 1995-97; essay contributor, "Theological Pluralism and American Liberal
Catholicism;" "Mapping Feminist Theologies"

Manuscript Review for: *Theological Studies*, Loyola University Press, *The Journal of
Religion*, *The Annual Volume of the College Theology Society*, *Horizons*, American
Academy of Religion Dissertation Series, Blackwell Press, *The Annual of the Society of
Christian Ethics*, Westminster John Knox Press, Abingdon Press, Orbis Books, Oxford
University Press, University of California Press, Palgrave Press,

Planned Parenthood/Chicago Area Consultation on Faith and Sexuality, 1995

Archdiocese of Chicago Ad-Hoc Organizing Committee for the Commission on Women, 1991-
92

Bible and Theology Working Group, Loyola University Chicago, 1992-94

Catholic Health Association Invited Participant, "Catholic Theology and Health Care," March
1986

Board Membership

Trustee, Manhattanville College, Purchase, New York, 2008 –

Chair, Academic Affairs Committee, 2013 –

Member, Presidential Search Committee, 2015-2016

Board member, Brothers of St. Charles Lwanga Foundation, 2013 –

Associate Editor, *Theological Studies*, 2016 -

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Graduate Advising: Dissertation Direction and Committees

Dissertations Directed:

Natalie Kertes Weaver, Ph.D. awarded May 2004

Michelle Clifton-Soderstrom, (co-directed with Philip Chmielewski, S.J.), Ph.D. awarded May 2005

A. Denise Starkey, Ph.D. awarded May 2008

Elisabeth Vasko, Ph.D. awarded May 2010

Melissa Browning, Ph.D. awarded May 2011

John Anderson, Ph.D. awarded May 2012

Jesse Perillo, Ph.D. awarded May 2012

Hoon Choi, Ph.D. awarded December 2012

Leocretia Muganda, Ph.D. awarded May 2013

Jeanine Viau, Ph.D. awarded May 2014

Rachel Hart Winter, Ph.D. awarded May 2014

Daniel Dion (in progress)

Karen Ross (in progress)

Service on Dissertation Committees:

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Lois Lorentzen (Loyola University Sociology Department)

Kristen Petzinger (Loyola University Psychology Department)

M. Theresiana Thomas (University of Madras, India)

Service

To the College and University:

University Rank and Tenure Committee, 2009-12

Strategic Planning University Policy Committee, 2009-10, 2010-11

University Strategic Planning Steering Committee, 2008-9

Task Force on Faculty Research and Scholarship, 2008-9

College of Arts and Sciences Committee on Rank, Tenure, and Leaves 2004-2007;

Chair 2005-07

Strategic Task Force 3 (Research and Centers of Excellence), 2003-04

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Core Curriculum Task Force on Leadership, 2003
 Faculty Council, 1995-96; 1999-2001; 2001-2003
 Chair, Administrative Policy Committee, 2002-03
 Executive Committee, 1999-2002
 Chair, Faculty Status Committee, 1999-2000
 Awards Committee, 1995-1998
 Benefits Committee, 1999-2000
 Faculty Mentor, On Call Program, EVOKE (Lilly-funded program on vocation for students), 2001-2004
 Advisory Committee for the Ann Ida Gannon, BVM Center for Women and Leadership, 1995- present; Strategic Task Force, 2004-5
 Advisory Committee for the Center for the Advanced Study of Christianity and Culture, 1997-99
 University Student Conduct Board, 1995-96
 Advisory Committee for the Center for Faith and Mission, 1992-95; 1997 - 2000
 Women's Conference Committee, 1992-2002
 Mundelein Archives Committee, 1992-93
 Mellon Core Award Selection Committee, 1992; 2003
 Summer Research Award Selection Committee, 1990-92
 Academic Council: Representative-at-large, 1990-92; Vice-Chair, 1989-92; Department Representative, 1988-90; Core Curriculum Committee, 1988-89
 Women's Studies Committee: Chair, 1992-95; Steering Committee, 1995- present; Department Liaison, 1985-present
 Honors Council, 1988-92

To the Department:

Department Advisory Committee (Rank and Tenure): 2005-2006; 2004-2005; 2002-2003; 2000-2001; 1999-2000; 1998-99; 1997-98 (Chair); 1994-95; 1993-94; 1991-92
 Search Committee, McCormick Chair, 2007-08, 2008-9 (Chair)
 Search Committee, Patristics Appointment, 2006-07
 Search Committee, John Cardinal Cody Chair in Theology, 2005-06; 1997-99
 Events and Colloquia, 2003-04
 Undergraduate Program Committee: 1995-96 (Chair); 1985-91
 Graduate Committee: 2005-08, 1999-2000; 1998-99; 1997-98; 1994-95; 1992-93
 Search Committee, Affirmative Action Appointment, 1997-98
 Search Committee, Ethics Appointment, 1994-95
 Director of Theology Minor Program, 1985-91
 Interview Committee for Jesuit Affirmative Action and Minority Affirmative Action Appointments, 1991-192; 1990-91; 1986-87; 1997-98
 Search Committee, Systematics Appointment, 1989-90
 Ph.D. Program Proposal Committee, 1987-89

References: upon request

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