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Career Highlights:

- Ph.D. and S.T.D. Catholic University of Leuven, Belgium.
- Full Professor of the Theology Department [27 years of service].
- 1989-1994 and 2006—present: Chair of Theology Department.
- 1996-2006: Director of the Family Institute, Duquesne University.
- Authorship of 2 books; 45 refereed publications.
- National and international lectures.
- 32 doctoral dissertations completed.
- Frequent Media Appearances
- Ecumenical Collaboration.
- Program Development: doctoral program in Theology, international affiliations with graduate schools and universities, design and development of the Duquesne University Family Institute.
- University-wide President's Excellence Award in Teaching.
- University-wide President's Excellence Award in Scholarship.
- McAnulty College and Graduate School Award for Excellence in Teaching.
- Hunkele Creative Teaching Award.
- Collaboration with multiple social agencies of Western Pennsylvania.
- Educational programs for Catholic and Ecumenical Clergy and Ministers.
- Interdisciplinary Faculty Development Programs.
- Distance Learning: online courses, video conferencing courses, courses for non-traditional students.
- Inclusion of multimedia technologies, computer-assisted and internet resources in graduate and undergraduate courses.

PROFESSIONAL DATA

Education

- B.A. Philosophy 1968 Niagara University, New York.
- M.Div. 1971 Niagara University, New York.
- M.A. Theology (1972) Niagara University, New York.
- Ph.D. Rel.Studies (1974) Catholic University of Leuven (Katholieke Universiteit te Leuven)

- S.T.D. Systematics (1975) Catholic University of Leuven (Katholieke Universiteit te Leuven); Dissertation: "Man Standing Open to Revelation: Lonergan's Theology of Revelation."

Academic Appointments

- Associate Director Family Institute: Duquesne University, Pittsburgh, 1996–2006.
- Professor Systematic Theology: Duquesne University, Pittsburgh, 1985 to present.
- Associate Professor Systematic Theology: Duquesne University, Pittsburgh, 1981–85.
- Assistant Professor Systematic Theology: Duquesne University, Pittsburgh, 1978–81.
- Theology: St. Anthony on the Hudson Seminary, 1977.
- St. Rose College, 1975–1977.
- Religious Studies: Siena College, 1975–78.
- Philosophy and Theology: Our Lady of Angels Seminary, 1971–72.

Visiting Professorships:

- Visiting Professor: University of Notre Dame, 1981.
- West Virginia University, 1987.

Academic Awards

- President's Excellence in Teaching Award, Duquesne University, 1996.
- President's Excellence in Scholarship Award, Duquesne University, 1992.
- Excellence in Teaching Award, McAnulty College and Graduate School of Liberal Arts, 1996.
- Hunkele Creative Teaching Award, Duquesne University, 1992.
- National Catholic Press Association Award, First Place Best Series, 1972

Administrative Positions:

- Associate Director, Family Institute, Duquesne University: 1996-2006
- Planned and developed the goals, objectives and structures of the Family Institute.
- Recruited Distinguished International Fellows
- Developed what is the now the most extensive searchable database on Marriage and the Family research
- Networked the Institute with the leading Governmental, Religious and Civic Institutes studying Marriage and the Family Nationally and Internationally
- Planned an Annual Conference and various seminars on Marriage and Family issues
- Consulted with International and National Marriage and Family Centers

- Frequent interviews on Marriage and Family issues for TV, radio and the print media
- Funded grants proposals: 800,000.00
- Chair, Department of Theology, Duquesne University: 1989-1994; 2006 to present
- Academic leadership position.
- Mentored faculty and students in the department.
- Managed instructional programs, scheduling and staffing of classes, budget, departmental faculty and student services. Hired and assigned responsibility to faculty and staff.
- Interdisciplinary collaboration with School of Health Sciences.
- Program and course development in the area of Health and Ethics. NEH sponsored seminar on the Cruzan Decision with the School of Law.
- Inaugurated the Council of Catholic Chairs of Doctoral Programs in Theology.
- Collaborated on development of Clinical Health Care Ethics that led to interdisciplinary M.A. in Health Care Ethics.
- Inaugurated discussions for collaboration with the Catholic University of Leuven, Belgium and inaugurated a visiting summer professor program with Leuven.
- Planned and gained Middle State approval for the affiliation of the Spiritan International School of Theology (Enugu, Nigeria) with Duquesne University.
- External accreditation review of Pastoral Ministry Program. With the National Conference of Catholic Bishops .
- Inaugurated an “Annual Study Day” for the Catholic Clergy of the Diocese of Pittsburgh at Duquesne University.
- Curriculum review of all university core, undergraduate, MA and Ph.D. courses and programs
- Member: Dean's McAnulty College and Graduate School Council of Chairs.

Recent Program Development:

- 2008 Designed and inaugurated a video conference Masters of Pastoral Ministry Program with the Diocese of Wheeling–Charlestown
- 2005: Marriage: Issues and Challenges: Post-Modernity, Spirituality, Cohabitation and Gay Marriage. Four Lectures and workshops—program planned and developed.
- 2003: Planned and developed the Family Institute Conference on the Theme of Faith based Communities, Government, Marriage and the Family.
- 2002: Planned and developed the Family Institutes Conference on the Theme of Absent Fathers and Violence in the Family.
- 2001: Planned and Developed the Family Institute's Conference on the Theme of "Cohabitation in America".

- 2000: Planned the Family Institute's conference on the theme of "Strengthening the American Family: A Vision for the Next Decade."
- Developed *Theological Explorations*, one of a few theological journals available on-line. www.duq.edu/liberalarts/theology/te.html
- Planned, in collaboration with Christian Associates, two formal lectures on the theme of "Sexual Ethics in the New Testament: Interpreting, Preaching and Teaching."
- 1999: Planned the Family Institute's conference on the theme of "Marriage Indicators."
- Planned a faculty development seminar on "Marriage Indicators."
- Planned, in collaboration with Christian Associates, a day-long workshop on "Marriage Indicators."
- 1998: Designed, for the Theology Department, their original web-page.
- Planned a "Family Leaders Symposium" for thirty executive directors of family agencies in Western PA on the theme of "Getting Out The Message."
- Planned the Institute's conference on the theme of "Families and Civic Trust: Connecting Private Lives and Public Goods."
- Planned a luncheon/seminar on "How City Government Can Be Used in Practical Ways to Serve the Needs of Local Communities."
- 1997: Planned the Institute's inaugural conference on the theme of "Fatherhood."
- Planned a lecture on the theme of "Federal Policy and the Family."
- Planned a Faculty luncheon/seminar on "The Family In America Today."
- Coordinated "Postmodernism" conference for university faculty and interested graduate students.
- 1996: As Associate Director of the Family Institute, supervised and planned the development of the unique, searchable, electronic data base (one of a kind) which houses abstracts of significant research on all dimensions of the family, planned an interactive web site, selected and recruited international scholars as Institute Fellows, consulted with numerous social agencies and foundations on family issues. The Associate Director is responsible for the day-to-day operations of the institute and supervision of its staff.

Public Relations:

- Regular appearances for 25 years on television.
- Lectures and workshops for diverse groups: Ecumenical and Inter faith groups, Catholic lawyers, Diocesan Clergy and Catechists, Christian Associates of Pennsylvania.
- Numerous newspaper interviews: Tribune Review, Pittsburgh Post Gazette, Pittsburgh Catholic, National Catholic News Service.
- Numerous radio interviews: WDUQ, WISH, KDKA, KQV.
- Topics most frequently addressed are love, marriage, family, authority and ritual.

Activities in Student Life:

- Faculty Advisor for A.T.W. Fraternity and Sigma Tau Gamma Fraternity
- Speaker for Residence Hall wings on "relationship challenges"
- Judge for Carnival/ Home-Coming.
- Judge for Duquesne Dance Marathons.
- Participator, over the years, in "Study Break."
- Informal advising/supporting of many student athletes.

ACADEMIC DATA

Books:

- Editor of English version with an introduction of *Sacraments and Post Modernity*, by Prof Bert Leijssen, New York, Paulist Press, 2006
- Editor, *Issues in Academic Freedom*. Pittsburgh, Duquesne UP, 1992.
- *From Magic To Metaphor: A Validation of Christian Sacraments*. New York, Paulist Press, 1980. 250 pp. Reprinted, June, 1982; Lanham, MD: UP of America, 1985.

Articles:

- "Sacraments as Iconic Interruptions of the loving God" in *Gods Sacramentele aanwezigheid In de wereld van vandaag. Hulde aan professor dr. Lambert Leijssen*. Thomas Knieps-Port le Roi & Lieven Boeve (red.), Leuven, Acco, 2008.
- Edited and wrote the English introduction to "With the Glimmer of the Holy Spirit: Postmodernity and the Sacraments:" Paulist Press, 2007
- "The Imagination, Epistemology and Values: A Perspective From Religious Traditions" in vol.VII. 4 *Moral Imagination and Character Development, Volume 1: The Imagination*. George F. McLean and John A. Kromkowski, eds.
- "The Holy Spirit and the Creative Imagination," in *The Celebration of the Ordinary*. Spiritus Press: Bethel Park, Pa., 2003
- "Balthasar's Kneeling Theology, Liturgics and Post Modernism," in *Questions Liturgiques*, 2002.
- "Root Metaphors and Sacramental Presence in a Postmodern Age," in *Questions Liturgiques*, 2000.
- Introduction to *Hyphenated Catholicism: A Study of the Role of the Polish-American Model of Church, 1890-1908*. By. Casimir J. Wozniak. San Francisco: Catholic Scholars P,1998.
- Forward to *Encounter With The Triune God: An Introduction to the Theology of Edward J. Kilmartin, S.J.* By Carmina M. Magnusen Chapp. San Francisco: Catholic Scholars P, 1998. 7-10.
- "Inculturation and Root Metaphors," *Questions Liturgiques*, 1997.

- "The Holy Spirit in Christian Art," *Annual Proceedings of the Catholic Theological Society of America*, 1996.
- Introduction to *The Theology of Ministry in the 'Lima Document': A Roman Catholic Critique*. By Conrad T. Gromada. San Francisco: Catholic Scholars, 1995.
- "Medieval Affirmation and Contemporary Agnosticism: Visitation to the Sepulchre and Waiting for Godot," *Proceedings V Annual General Conference on Medievalism*, 1992.
- "Truth, Cultural Pluralism and Academic Freedom," in *Issues in Academic Freedom*, Pittsburgh: Duquesne UP, Spring 1992.
- "Overview of the Issues in Academic Freedom," in *Issues in Academic Freedom*, Pittsburgh: Duquesne UP, Spring 1992.
- "The Gothic Cathedral: Root Metaphor and the Concept of the 'Classic' in the Art of the Middle Ages," *Proceedings IV Annual General Conference on Medievalism*. With Dr. Albert Labriola, 1992.
- "Christianity and Culture: Integrative Studies in the University Core Curriculum," *Humanities Education*. Spring 1991, Volume VIII, Number 2, Pages 3-10. With Dr. Albert Labriola.
- "Ritual," in *The New Dictionary of Sacramental Worship*. Ed. Peter E. Fink, S.J. Collegeville, Minnesota: The Liturgical Press, 1990.
- "Ritual, Power and Authority: The Anthropology of Rome's Declaration on the Ordination of Women," *Louvain Studies*, 1989.
- Introduction to *Symbol and Sacrament* by Michael Lawler. Mahwah, N.J.: Paulist Press, 1987.
- "Lima's Ecclesiology: An Inquiry," in *Catholic Perspectives on Baptism, Eucharist and Ministry*. Ed. M. Fahey. Lanham, MD: University Press of America, 1986.
- "A Comparison of the Ecclesiology of Lima and the RCIA," in *The Report of the Catholic Theological Society of America*, Summer, 1985.
- "The Future of Sacraments," *Chicago Studies* (24) 1985.
- "Blondel and the Problem of Mysticism," *Ephemerides Theologicae Louvanienses*, LXI (1985).
- "Symbol and Imagination," *Modern Liturgy* (1984).
- "Ritual as the Interpreter of Tradition," *Louvain Studies*, Fall, 1984.
- "Sociology's Contribution to an Understanding of Liturgical-Sacramental Efficacy," *Liturgy and Change*. Birmingham, England: Institute for the Study of Worship and Religious Architecture, 1983, 38-53.
- "People of God, Body of Christ: Pauline Ecclesiological Contrasts," *Biblical Theology Bulletin* 12 (1982), 24-28.
- "The Loss of Metaphor and Imagination: An Impoverished Assembly," *New Catholic World* 22 (1982), 276-279.
- "Imagination, Ritual and Eucharistic Real Presence," *Louvain Studies* 10 (1982), 198- 210.

- "Death, Sacraments and Christian Spirituality," *Studies in Formative Spirituality*, 2 (1981), 231-246.
- "Caring for the Poor: A Way of Being God's People," *Today's Parish* 13 (1981), 28-29.
- "Are You a Roman Catholic?" *Today's Parish* (1980).
- "Morality: From Taboos to Christ," *Today's Parish* 11 (1979), 40-41.
- "Anthropological Consciousness and Biblical Theology," *Biblical Theology Bulletin* 9 (1979), 3-12.
- "Are the Jews Still God's People?" *Scripture in Church* (1979).
- "Prolegomenon to Jesus as the Word of God," *Biblical Theology Bulletin* 9 (1979), 115-120.
- "Metz's Fundamental Theology," *Melita Theologica* 9 (19-79), 27-42.
- "Sacraments in Catholic and Protestant Catechisms," *The Living Light* 15 (1978), 529-547.
- "Is Confirmation the Real Problem?" *Religion Teachers Journal* 10 (1977), 24-26.
- "How to Initiate Adults into the Church," *Pastoral Life*, (1977).
- "The Ghost of Newman in the Lonergan Corpus," *The Modern Schoolman*, 54 (1977), 317-332.
- "Romans 9-11 and Ecclesiology," *Biblical Theology Bulletin*, 7 (1977), 99-109.
- "What is a Sacrament," *U.S. Catholic* 42 (1977), 29-31.
- "Celebration: A Model for Sacraments," *Chicago Studies* 16 (1977), 309-315.
- "The Ecclesiology of the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults," *Louvain Studies*, 6 (1976), 159-169.
- "Lonergan's Theology of Revelation," *Bijdragen*, 36 (1975), 78-94.
- "Genocide of the Middle-Aged Catholic," *U.S. Catholic*, 38 (1973), 38-40.

Papers Presented:

- "Marriage in America", Pittsburgh Pastoral Care Conference, 2009.
- "Ecumenical Challenges: Religion in America", Christian Associates of Western Pa, 2009.
- "Beliefs: The Pew Foundation and Religion in America," Christian Associates of Western Pa, 2008
- "Marriage: Iconic Interruption of the Loving God:", Milltown Institute, Dublin Ireland, 2008
- Religion in America: The Pew Report", Milltown Institute, Dublin Ireland, 2008
- "Marriage in Post Modernity," Milltown Institute, Dublin Ireland, October 2007
- "Sensus Fidelium and Reception by the Church: An Ecumenical Perspective", Katholieke Universiteit te Leuven, Belgium Nov 2007.
- "The CARA Study on Marriage", Clergy Day, Diocese of Pittsburgh, June 2008.

- "Sexual Ethics in a Post Modern Context: The American Data", International Conference on Catholic Moral Theology, Padova, Italy July 7-10, 2006.
- "Sacramentalizing Suffering: Revisiting Anointing of the Sick." Leuven Encounters in Systematic Theology V, November 4, 2005, Leuven, Belgium.
- "Rediscovering the Sacrament of Anointing." November 10, 2005, Frankfurt, Germany.
- "Eucharistic Real Presence and post Modernity", Duquesne University, Pittsburgh Pa. 2005
- Conducted 5 lectures in Dublin, Ireland to the National Conference of Marriage and Family counselors (ACCORD) March 14-15, 2005: "Marriage Myths", "M. Bowen and Family Systems", "Relationships, Marriage and Family in American Society", "Marriage in the Context of Post Modernity", "Marriage Spirituality: A Sexual Sacramentality"
- Changing Relationship Patterns in American Culture: Challenge to the Church, Frankfurt, Germany, March 6, 2005
- "Blondel and Religious Experience: A precursor to post modernity", Catholic University of Leuven International Conference on Religious Experience, Leuven, Belgium, 2003
- Celebrating Sacrosanctum Concilium: Liturgy and Mission" Maynooth University, Dublin, Ireland.
- 2003 "Ministry in a Post Modern World" 5 Lectures at the Convocation of Anglican Church in Europe, Cannes France.
- 2002 "Marriage as Eucharist: Recovering the sacred in the body and sexuality", INTAMS, Brussels, Belgium.
- "Marriage and the Church: Contours and Challenges" Spiritan School of Theology, Kimmage, Dublin, Ireland, 2001
- "Marriage in the Post Modern World" International Sacramental Theology Conference (LEST Conference), Catholic University of Leuven, Belgium, 2001
- 1999: "Root Metaphor and Sacramental Presence in a Postmodern Age," International Sacramental Theology Conference (LEST Conference), Catholic University of Leuven, Belgium.
- 1998: "Balthasar's Kneeling Theology, Liturgics and Post Modernism," Allentown College.
- "Imagination and the Holy Spirit," Duquesne University Millennium Program; Charlotte, N.C.
- 1997: "The Experience of Christ in the Eucharist and Christology," International Christology Conference, Catholic University of Leuven.
- 1996: "The Holy Spirit in Christian Art," Annual Proceedings of the Catholic Theological Society of America, San Diego, California.
- 1994: "Religious Themes in Film and Literature: An Approach in the Classroom for Non-Traditional Students," National Association of Integrative Studies, Pittsburgh.

- 1991: "Theological Pluralism and the Problem of Truth," College Theology Society, Chicago.
- 1992: "Worships, Art, Architecture and Worldview: Medievalism, Renaissance and Contemporary," College Theology Society, New Orleans, June 1, (With Dr. Albert Labriola).
- "Medieval Affirmation and Contemporary Agnosticism: Visitation to the Sepulchre and Waiting for Godot," International Conference on Medievalism, Kaprun, Austria, October 7 (With Dr. Albert Labriola).
- "Christianity and Culture: Integrative Studies in the University Core Curriculum," American Academy of Religion, New Orleans, November 18, (With Dr. Albert Labriola).
- 1989: "Imaginative Causality: A Corrective to Sacramental Fundamentalism," College Theology Society.
- "The Gothic Cathedral and the Medieval World View," Fourth Annual Conference on Medievalism, West Point Military Academy.
- "Blondel, Mysticism and Modernism," American Academy of Religion, Anaheim, Ca.
- "Christianity and Culture: Integrative Studies in the Core Curriculum," Association for Integrative Studies.
- "Students as Hermeneuts," Association for Integrative Studies.
- "Cultural Pluralism and Academic Freedom," Symposium on Academic Freedom, Duquesne University.
- "Imagination, Epistemology and Values," International Symposium on the Moral Imagination, Duquesne University.
- 1988: "Inculturation: Challenge to Sacramentology," College Theology Society.
- 1989: "What Makes Marriage Sacramental?," College Theology Society.
- 1990: "Ritual, Power and Authority: The Anthropological Dimension of Rome's Declaration on the Ordination of Women," College Theology Society.
- 1985: "Baptism: A Critique of Lima," Inter-Church Council of Greater Cleveland.
- 1986: "Ritual: Human Development and Survival," Keynote Address at the Children and Stress Conference, Texas Medical Center, Institute of Religion.
- "The Future of Sacraments," College Theology Society.
- 1983: "Ritual as the Interpreter of Tradition," College Theology Society.
- 1984: "Sociology's Contribution to an Understanding of Liturgical-Sacramental Efficacy," Sociology of Liturgy Conference, Bristol, England.
- "Sacramental Power: The Anthropological Base," Fourth Annual Detroit Conference on Worship.
- "Sacramental Praxis as a Modality of Religious Literacy," College Theology Society.
- 1981: "Root Metaphors and Eucharistic Real Presence," College Theology Society.

- "Ritual: The Heart of Christian Culture," Keynote Address to the Connecticut Conference of Christian Churches.
- "The Loss of Metaphor: The Problem of Assembly and Word," University of Notre Dame Theology Lecture Series.
- 1980: "Ritual, Root Metaphors and Hard Times," College Theology Society.

Doctoral Dissertations Directed:

- 31 completed, 5 in progress.

Professional Memberships:

- Catholic Theological Society of America
- College Theology Society
- Editorial Board: Biblical Theology Bulletin (1976-87)
- American Academy of Religion