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Education: Ph.D. in Hebrew Bible, Harvard University, awarded in 2001 from the Department of Near Eastern Languages and Civilizations, Graduate School of Arts & Sciences.
Dissertation: “Studies in Bar Salibi’s Commentary on the Psalms.”
Director: James F. Coakley.
Readers: Gary A. Anderson, Brian E. Daley, S.J., John Huehnergard.

STL - License in Sacred Theology, Dominican House of Studies, Washington, D.C. 1994.
Thesis: “The Texts of the Book of Tobit in Recent Bible Translations.”

STB - Bachelor of Sacred Theology and Master of Divinity, Dominican House of Studies, Washington, D.C. 1992.

MA - Master of Arts in Biblical Studies, 1987, Providence College, Providence, RI.

BA - Bachelor of Arts, Trinity College, 1985, Hartford, CT., Religious Studies.

Teaching at the Dominican House of Studies:

Began teaching full-time in the Fall of 2000 at the level of Instructor, subsequent promotion to the rank of Assistant Professor (2003) and Associate Professor (2007) by the Congregation for Catholic Education. Courses taught: courses on the Old Testament (Pentateuch, Prophets, Wisdom, Psalms), Hebrew, Greek, Syriac, and electives on a variety of special topics related to Scripture and Theology at the S.T.B. and S.T.L. levels.

Other Teaching Experience:

Pope St. John XXIII National Seminary, Weston Massachusetts: Spring 2021,
Prophets & Writings.

The Catholic University of America: Fall 2015, Ph.D. Seminar, Semitics 731, Fall 20
Semitics 631, (Syriac language course focusing on Syriac biblical interpretation)

Biblical Theology and Hermeneutics: Sacrifice, Priesthood, and Holiness. Short course,
February 2012, at the Dominican Kolegium Filozoficzno-Teologiczne, Kraków.

Providence College: Summers 1994, 1995, 1997, 2002. M.A. level courses: Pauline Literature; Wisdom Literature; Introduction to the Old Testament; Introduction to Classical Syriac

Harvard College and Harvard Divinity School: Teaching Fellow, 1997-1999. Assisted in A.B. and M.Div. level courses: The Bible and its Interpreters (James Kugel); Head Teaching Fellow for The Book of Job and its Interpreters (Peter Machinist); Biblical Hebrew (Jon Levenson).

Parish courses and lecture series at St. Dominic Parish, Washington, D.C., Little Flower Parish, Bethesda, MD, Missionaries of Charity Gift of Peace Convent.

Publications

Books:

Edited with Adrian Schenker: Dominique Barthélemy, *Critique textuelle de l'Ancien Testament, Tome 5. Les Livres Sapientiaux*. OBO 50/5; Fribourg: Academic Press/Göttingen: Vandenhoeck & Ruprecht, 2015.

Edited and authored foreword for: Dominique Barthélemy, *God and His Image: An Outline of Biblical Theology*. San Francisco: Ignatius Press, 2007. [New edition with a more complete translation of the French original.]

Edited with Adrian Schenker: Dominique Barthélemy, *Critique textuelle de l'Ancien Testament, Tome 4. Psaumes*. OBO 50/4; Fribourg: Academic Press/Göttingen: Vandenhoeck & Ruprecht, 2005.

Dionysius bar Salibi's Factual and Spiritual Commentary on Psalms 73-82. Cahiers de la Revue biblique, 57; Paris: Gabalda, 2004. [Reviewed in: Journal of Theological Studies, Journal of Semitic Studies, Orientalia Christiana Periodica, Oriens Christianus, Review of Biblical Literature, Hugoye: Journal of Syriac Studies, and other academic journals.]

Work in Progress:

Edition of 1-2 Kings, *Biblia Hebraica Quinta* (German Bible Society) with Adrian Schenker, Carmel McCarthy, Lukasz Popko.

Revision of the Old Testament, New American Bible (USCCB).

Other Publications:

“Memory and the Desire for God in Isaiah 26.” *The Bible Today* forthcoming.

“Old Testament Wisdom Literature and Formation for a New Evangelization,” in *The Revelation of Your Words, The New Evangelization and the Role of the Seminary Professor of Sacred Scripture* (St. Paul, MN: St. Paul Seminary Press, 2021) 61-83.

“9.5 The Latin Versions of Judith,” in *The Textual History of the Bible, vol. 2: The Deuterocanonical Scriptures*, part 2b (gen. ed. A. Lange, vol. eds. F. Feder and M. Henze; Leiden: Brill, 2020) 77-82.

“The Deuterocanonical Books in Contemporary Catholic Liturgy,” *Interpretation* 72 (2018) 418-29.

“6–9.2.4 Late Syriac Translations of the Latter Prophets.” In *The Textual History of the Bible*, vol. 1: The Hebrew Bible, part 1B (gen. ed. A. Lange, vol. eds. A. Lange and E. Tov; Leiden: Brill, 2016) 689-95.

“The Word of God and the Textual Pluriformity of the Old Testament.” In S. Carl, ed., *Verbum Domini and the Complementarity of Exegesis and Theology*. Catholic Theological Formation 1 (Grand Rapids, MI: Eerdmans, 2015) 123-150.

“The Hidden Ministry of Prayer and the Reading of Scripture.” *Christian Orient* 35 (2014) 88-94.

“The Ancient Versions of Judith and the Place of the Septuagint in the Catholic Church.” In G. Xeravits, ed., *A Pious Seductress, Studies in the Book of Judith* (Deuterocanonical and Cognate Literature Series 14; Berlin: Walter de Gruyter, 2012) 1-21.

“Psalm 22 in Syriac Tradition.” *Letter & Spirit, Vol. 7. The Bible and the Church Fathers: The Liturgical Context of Patristic Exegesis* (2011) 157-172.

“Denha.” In *The Gorgias Encyclopedic Dictionary of the Syriac Heritage*, ed. S. Brock, A. Butts, G. Kiraz, L. Van Rompay (Gorgias Press, 2011), 118.

“Messianism in the Old Testament: The Biblical Roots of Jewish and Christian Expectation.” *The Bible Today* 48/6 (2010): 317-22.

“The Rabshakeh in Late Biblical and Post-Biblical Tradition.” In *Biblical Figures in Deutero-canonical and Cognate Literature*, ed. H. Lichtenberger and U. Mittmann-Richert (Berlin - New York: de Gruyter, 2009) 183-94.

“Psalm 22 in Syriac Tradition.” In *Syriac and Antiochian Exegesis and Biblical Theology for the 3rd Millennium*. Ed. Robert D. Miller (Gorgias Press, 2008) 189-221.

“The Reception of the Peshitta Psalter in Bar Salibi’s Commentary on the Psalms.”

In R.B. ter Haar Romeny and K.D. Jenner (eds.), *The Peshitta: Its Use in Literature and Liturgy. Proceedings of the Third Peshitta Symposium held at Leiden University, 12–15 August 2001* (MPIL 15; Leiden: Brill, 2007) 327-38.

“The Text of the Bible and Catholic Biblical Scholarship.” *Nova & Vetera* 4 (2006) 132-41.

“The Ethiopic Text of Tobit.” In Siegbert Uhlig (ed.), *Proceedings of the XVth International Conference of Ethiopian Studies, Hamburg July 20-25, 2003* (Aethiopistische Forschungen 65; Wiesbaden: Harrassowitz, 2006) 620-627.

“Tobit and the Psalms.” In *Intertextual Studies in Ben Sira and Tobit. Essays in Honor of Alexander A. Di Lella, O.F.M.*, ed. J. Corley and V. Skemp (CBQMS, 38; Washington DC: Catholic Biblical Association, 2005) 28-42.

Reviews:

Review of Jack Levison, *A Boundless God: The Spirit According to the Old Testament*. Grand Rapids MI: Baker Academic, 2020. *Interpretation* 75 (2021) forthcoming.

Review of J. Cook and A. van der Kooij, *Law, Prophets, and Wisdom: On the Provenance of Translators and Their Books in the Septuagint Version* (CBET 68; Leuven/Paris/Walpole, MA: Peeters, 2012) in *Catholic Biblical Quarterly* 76 (2014) 324-326.

Review of E. Bons and J. Joosten, *Septuagint Vocabulary: Pre-History, Usage, Reception* (Leiden: Brill, 2011) in *Catholic Biblical Quarterly* 74 (2012) 845-847.

Review of M. Saebo, *Hebrew Bible / Old Testament: The History of its Interpretation, II: From the Renaissance to the Enlightenment* (Göttingen: Vandenhoeck & Ruprecht, 2008) in *The Thomist* 75 (2011) 324-328.

Review of T. Muraoka, *A Greek-English Lexicon of the Septuagint* (Louvain: Peeters, 2009) in *Catholic Biblical Quarterly* 72 (2010) 809-11.

Review of Joseph Méléze Modrzejewski (ed.), *Troisième livre des Maccabées* (La Bible d'Alexandrie 15.3; Paris: Cerf, 2008) in *Catholic Biblical Quarterly* 72 (2010) 119-21.

Review of Giancarlo Toloni, *L'originale del libro di Tobia* in *Biblica* 89 (2008) 280-83.

Review of Abraham Wasserstein and David J. Wasserstein, *The Legend of the Septuagint: From Classical Antiquity to Today* in *Theological Studies* 69 (2008) 438-39.

Review of David Janzen, *The Social Meanings of Sacrifice in the Hebrew Bible: A Study of Four Writings* in *Theological Studies* 68 (2007) 917-919.

Review of John H. Hayes, ed., *Hebrew Bible: History of Interpretation*, in *Journal of Hebrew Scriptures* 6 (2006-2007) [www.jhsonline.org].

Review of Hindy Najman and Judith Newman, eds., *The Idea of Biblical Interpretation: Essays in Honor of James L. Kugel* in *Theological Studies* 67 (2006) 178-79.

Review of Renate Egger-Wenzel and Jeremy Corley, eds., *Prayer from Tobit to Qumran* in *Theological Studies* 67 (2006) 666-667.

Review of Ivan Dimitrov, et al., eds., *Das Alte Testament als christliche Bibel in orthodoxer und westlicher Sicht* in *Theological Studies* 67 (2006) 880-881.

Review of Hagit Amirav, *Rhetoric and Tradition: John Chrysostom on Noah and the Flood* in *Theological Studies* 66 (2005) 714.

Review of Richard J. Bautch, *Developments in Genre Between Post-Exilic Penitential Prayers and the Psalms of Communal Lament* in *Hebrew Studies* 46 (2005) 101-103.

Review of Samuel Terrien, *The Psalms: Strophic Structure and Theological Commentary* in *Catholic Biblical Quarterly* 66 (2004) 467-68.

Review of Johannes C. de Moor, ed., *The Elusive Prophet: The Prophet as a Historical Person, Literary Character, and Anonymous Artist* in *Catholic Biblical Quarterly* 65 (2003) 658-59.

Review of Monica S. Devens, *A Concordance to Psalms in the Ethiopic Version* in *Review of Biblical Literature* [www.bookreviews.org] (2003).

Religious profession, ordination, and ecclesial service:

Solemnly professed in the Order of Preachers, Dominican Province of Saint Joseph (1991) and Ordained priest (1993). Delegate to the provincial chapter (2002 and 2010); diffinitorium and provincial council (2002-2006); vocation council, (2010-2014). Doctoral Program Committee, Pontifical Faculty of the Immaculate Conception (2012-2016).

Grants Received:

2009 American Philosophical Society Franklin Research Grant.

2005-2006 Lilly Theological Research Grant, Association of Theological Schools.

2003-2004 Postdoctoral Fellowship, Swiss National Science Foundation.

1999 Jens Aubrey Westengard Fellowship, Harvard University.

Professional Service:

Old Testament Abstracts, abstractor.

Biblische Notizen, board member.

External tenure reviewer, The Catholic University of America; Ave Maria University; The University of Dallas.

Ph.D. Dissertation Committee, Semitics, The Catholic University of America.

North American Syriac Symposium 2015, The Catholic University of America, local steering committee.

Membership in Professional Societies:

Catholic Biblical Association of America: Served as Treasurer, Member of Executive Board, Chair of Emerging Scholars Program.

Society of Biblical Literature

Old Testament Colloquium, Colledgeville MN

Recent Monastic Retreats and Courses

Summer 2019: "Saint Ephrem & the Syriac Fathers." Annual Retreat, Dominican Monastery of Our Lady of the Rosary, Buffalo, N.Y.

Lent 2018: "The Biblical Wisdom Books," Dominican Monastery of Our Lady of Grace, North Guilford, CT.

Advent 2017: "In Patient Endurance." Eight Day Retreat, Monastery of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, Westfield, VT.

Recent Teaching

Spring 2022: Prophets, Biblical Teaching on Prayer.

Fall 2021: Wisdom Literature, Biblical Hebrew

Spring 2021: Prophets and Writings (Pope St. John XXIII National Seminary)

Spring 2020: Wisdom Literature, Biblical Hebrew

Spring 2019: Biblical Teaching on Prayer, Biblical Hebrew, Classical Syriac

Fall 2018: Wisdom Literature, Biblical Hebrew, Classical Syriac