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DEPARTMENT OF THEOLOGY AND PHILOSOPHY

The Department of Theology and Philosophy promotes the ongoing search for truth and the practice of justice by interpreting the historical and contemporary world, engaging human experience, and responding to God's revelation through the Catholic and Dominican traditions of reasoned analysis and faith.

Barry Doctoral Candidate Named Chicago Bishop

by Ana Rodriguez-Soto '99, Florida Catholic Editor



Bishop Alberto Rojas

Andrew P. Wypych, will help Cardinal Francis George with the administration of the Archdiocese of Chicago, which serves more than 2.3 million Catholics in northeastern Illinois.

Rojas, 46, began his doctoral studies in Hispanic ministry at Barry in fall 2006.

"He is a great student and a person who is truly committed to the service of the Church," said Jorge Presmanes, OP, director of the Institute for Hispanic/Latino Theology and Ministry. "I am delighted by his appointment. The archdiocese is blessed to have him as auxiliary bishop."

In an interview with the *Barry Magazine* in fall 2008, Rojas said that there is a great need for developing Hispanic leadership in the Church.

"In Chicago almost half the Catholics are Hispanic, but the percentage of priests who are Hispanic is maybe 3 percent," he said. "I'm grateful to all those priests who are not Hispanics but are working with Hispanic populations. I also thank God there are more people interested in lay leadership as well."

Rojas studied for the priesthood in his native Aguascalientes, Mexico, and in the Archdiocese of Chicago, where he was ordained in 1997 and where he currently

serves as pastor of Good Shepherd Parish. For seven years, he was also director of Hispanic Ministry at the University of St. Mary of the Lake/Mundelein Seminary in Chicago.

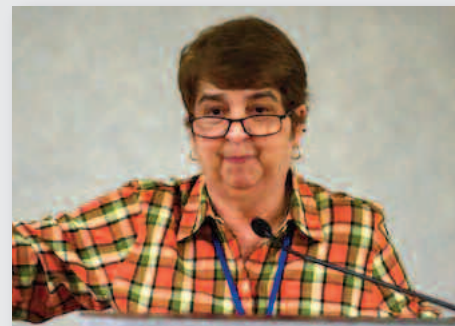
"I expect the doctoral study that Alberto Rojas is undertaking to be shaped not only by his years on the faculty of Mundelein Seminary but also by his experience as pastor of a large Mexican-American parish in Chicago and now as auxiliary bishop in the

archdiocese," said James B. Nickoloff, PhD, Rojas' thesis-project mentor.

According to the Chicago Archdiocese website, Rojas will serve as Cardinal George's vicar for Vicariate III of the archdiocese and as liaison to Hispanic Catholics. His ordination as bishop took place August 10.

Barry University Professors Join Catholic Leaders in Dialogue on Hispanic Ministry

by Vince Olea and Patty Jimenez, Barry DMin Students



Alicia Marill, DMin

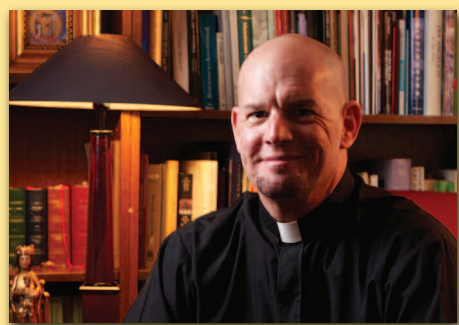
The Catholic Diocese of Fresno organized a bilingual leadership convocation this summer to promote dialogue between diocesan leaders serving a diversity of Hispanic communities. The Bishop Steinbock Hispanic Ministry Convocation, named in honor of late Bishop John T. Steinbock, focused on listening to the experiences and challenges of Catholic leaders in the diocese, including teachers and ministers from parishes, schools, farm worker camps, apostolic movements, and restorative justice organizations.

To raise awareness of themes significant to Hispanic ministry, the diocese also invited national Hispanic pastoral theologians, including Drs. Jorge Presmanes, OP, and Alicia Marill from Barry University. As diocesan organizers and students in Barry's nationally recognized doctoral program emphasizing Hispanic ministry and theology, we knew that Fr. Presmanes and Dr. Marill would bring a high level of expertise, passion and personal connection. Through sessions on exclusion and inclusion, and the theology of accompaniment, they generated lively discussions on the intersection of the session topics and the lived experiences of the Hispanic leaders.

The response was overwhelming, as the conversation and spirit of communion gave meaning to our time together and purpose to our future plans. The energy of the convocation encouraged us to plan additional gatherings focused on designing new ways to serve our diocesan Hispanic communities.

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Message from the Chair



Mark E. Wedig, OP, PhD

I am convinced that effective leadership is born out of the collaboration, ingenuity and hard work of a team. Moreover, administrative successes are seldom the result of independent inspiration, but more likely the result of colleagues working together to actualize shared vision and mission. That being said, the Department of Theology and Philosophy has been blessed for the last 13 years with the leadership and collegiality of Mary Jo Iozzio.

As director of graduate programs in theology and ministry, Dr. Iozzio rallied the Department twice for its accreditation with the Association of Theological Schools in the United States and Canada (ATS), first for the initial five-year ATS accreditation and then for the 10-year re-accreditation. For the last 13 years, not only did she author both self-studies, but convened the main campus and satellite campus faculty for meetings, oversaw regular curriculum assessment, and maintained continued contact with ATS through follow-up reports. This has been no small service to us all in the Department!

Of course, Dr. Iozzio will continue in her position as professor of moral theology: teaching, advising, and mentoring undergraduate and graduate students. She also continues to serve as co-editor of the *Journal of the Society of Christian Ethics* and to publish extensively in the field of Christian ethics and disability studies.

I am so grateful for her collegiality. With all the faculty and students of the Department, I thank her for 13 years of generous service!

Symposium Yields New Text



From left: Drs. Alicia Marill, Jorge Presmanes, OP, and Elsie Miranda

In June 2009, Barry University, with Loyola Marymount University and the Congar Institute for Ministry Development, collaborated in a symposium on Catholic Hispanic/Latino theology and ministry organized by Boston College. Sixty-two invited participants attended the symposium, with the goal of envisioning the future of Hispanic ministry for the second decade of the 21st century. Participants were both national leaders in the field of Hispanic ministry as well as scholar-members of the Academy of Catholic Hispanic Theologians in the United States (ACHTUS).

Seven working papers were presented, two authored by Barry University faculty.

Barry's Dr. Elsie Miranda and Boston College's Dr. Hosffman Ospino presented "Hispanic Ministry and Leadership Formation." Jorge Presmanes, OP, DMin, and Dr. Alicia Marill, from Barry presented "Hispanic Ministry and Theology." Also in attendance from Barry were Mark Wedig, OP, PhD, and Wayne Cavalier, OP, PhD.

After the Boston meeting, the papers were edited to include the fruits of the symposium's critical analysis and are now published in book form in both English and Spanish. The book is titled *Hispanic Ministry in the 21st Century: Present and Future*, Hosffman Ospino, ed. (Convivium Press, October 2010).



Jorge Presmanes, OP, DMin

Barry Professors (continued from front cover)

The response to this convocation also affirmed our intuition that the benefits of continued engagement between leaders from *la base* and nationally recognized theologians are far reaching.

To read more about the work of Barry students Vince Olea and Patty Jimenez visit www.ushispanicministry.com.

Community of Faith," and presented "Accompaniment as a Model for Hispanic Leadership" at the 2011 Hispanic Ministry Convocation, Fresno, CA, May 27-28, 2011. He also presented "Institute for Hispanic/Latino Theology and Ministry: A Pastoral Response to the Latino Presence in the Church," at the annual meeting of the Association of Catholic Colleges and Universities, Washington, DC, January 29-31, 2011.



Gloria L. Schaab, SSJ, PhD, assistant professor of theology, director of graduate programs in theology and ministry, and associate dean for general education, College of Arts and Sciences, published the article "Toward a God for Evolution: A Dialogue between Teilhard and Arthur Peacocke," in Kathleen Duffy, ed. *Rediscovering Teilhard's Fire* (Philadelphia: Saint Joseph University, 2010); published the entries "God, Feminist Understanding of," 470-71; "Incarnation, Feminist Understanding of," 591; "Mary, the Virgin," 772-3; "Saints, Devotion to," 1124, with Elizabeth A. Johnson, PhD, in Daniel Patte, ed. *Cambridge Dictionary of Christianity* (New York: Cambridge University Press, 2010); published the article "An Evolving Vision of God: The Theology of John F. Haught" in *Zygon: Journal of Religion and Science* 45 (December 2010): 897-904; published the paperback and Kindle editions of her book *The Creative Suffering of the Triune God: An Evolutionary Theology* (New York, Oxford University Press, December 2010); participated in the interview "Dwelling in the Word: Divine Revelation in the Cosmos" for the international teleseries *Evolutionary Christianity* moderated by Michael Dowd and available from <http://evolutionarychristianity.com/blog/audio-downloads/>, December 23, 2010; presented "Mission Integration: A Cognitive and Reflective Process," with Scott O'Brien, OP, DMin, at the 11th Biennial Colloquium of Dominican Colleges and Universities, June 19, 2010, Barry University, Miami Shores, FL; presented the 2011 Dominican Lecture "Catholic Imagination: The Charism of the Catholic University" at the Dwayne O. Andreas School of Law, Barry University, Orlando, FL, February 23, 2011; served on the Annual Publication Awards Committee of the College Theology Society; was appointed to the Admissions for Membership Committee of the Catholic

Theological Society of America; served as referee for the juried publication *Zygon: Journal of Religion and Science*, Lutheran School of Theology, Chicago, IL; served as referee for the juried publication *Religion, Economics and Culture in Conflict and Conversation*, the 2010 Annual Volume of the College Theology Society Conference; convened the Theology, Ecology, and Natural Science Session of the College Theology Society Conference 2010, University of Portland, Portland, OR, June 3-6, 2010; moderated the God/Trinity Topic Session at the Catholic Theological Society of America Conference, Cleveland, OH, June 10-13, 2010; attended the College Theology Society Conference 2010, University of Portland, Portland, OR, June 3-6, 2010; attended the Catholic Theological Society of America Conference, Cleveland, OH, June 10-13, 2010; and attended the 11th Biennial Colloquium of Dominican Colleges and Universities, Barry University, Miami Shores, FL, June 17-20, 2010.

Edward R. Sunshine, PhD, professor of theology (moral theology), attended the annual meeting of the American Academy of Religion in Atlanta, GA, November 2010, and was a facilitator and referee of papers for the *Journal of the Society of Christian Ethics* at the annual meeting of the Society, New Orleans, LA, January 2011. Sunshine participated on the WPBT—Channel 2 panels for the program *Viewpoint's* "God in America," October 31, 2010, and "The Top Religious Stories of 2010," December 26, 2010. In January 2011, he participated in an interfaith panel discussion of Social Justice and Charity for the Barry University Community.



Ruth Tallman, PhD, assistant professor of philosophy, published "Holly Jolly Atheists: A Naturalistic Justification for Christmas," in *Christmas and Philosophy*, Scott Lowe, ed. Wiley Publishing, 2010. Tallman presented "Go F*** Yourself: The Aesthetic Evaluation of Offensive Humor," with Landon Schurtz at the Society of Lighthearted Philosophers Conference, Tampa, FL, October 15-16,



2010; "A Comedy is a Tragedy is an Allegory: A Contextualist Account of Artwork Meaning," at the Kentucky Philosophical Association Fall 2010 Meeting, Crestview Hills, KY, November 20, 2011; "Valuing Lives and Allocating Resources: A Defense of the Modified Youngest First Principle of Scarce Resource Distribution," at *Valuing Lives: A Conference on Ethics in Health and the Environment*, New York University Center for Bioethics, New York City, March 5, 2011; and "What Is Human Perfection?," at *Exploring Human Enhancement: A Symposium* at the Center for Values in Medicine, Science, and Technology at the University of Texas at Dallas, TX, April 8-9, 2011.

Mark E. Wedig, OP, PhD, professor of theology (liturgical theology), associate dean for graduate studies, College of Arts and Sciences, and chair, Department of Theology and Philosophy, delivered the address, "Interpreting Religious Space: A Hermeneutical Methodology," at the Liturgical Studies Program at The Catholic University of America, Washington, DC, November 9, 2010, and was a selected participant in the Conference for Theological Leaders in Relationship with Undergraduate Institutions for The Association of Theological Schools in April 28-30, 2011, in Pittsburgh, PA.



Joel Wilcox, PhD, professor of philosophy, presented "Can Morality Be Based on Religion?" at a philosophy conference at Davis and Elkins College in Elkins, WV, April 2011. With Dr. Sandra Fairbanks, Wilcox coached the Barry University Ethics Bowl Team in the 2011 Regional Ethics Bowl and the National Competition. The team placed sixth out of twenty-four in the Southeast Regional Competition and was invited to the National Championship Competition, Cincinnati, OH, March 3, 2011.



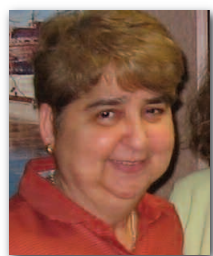
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2010; attended the Annual Meeting of the Society of Christian Ethics and the two meetings of its Board of Directors, New Orleans, January 6-9, 2011; attended and directed part of the bi-annual meeting of the Pax Christi Anti-Racism Team, Raymond, MS, March 17-20, 2011; attended the Theologian-Ethicist Committee of the Catholic Health Association, St. Louis, MO, March 22-23, 2011; attended the Theology and Ethics Colloquium, Catholic Health Association, St. Louis, MO, March 23-25, 2011; and attended the Program Committee and Executive Committee meetings of the Society of Christian Ethics, Chicago, IL, April 1-2, 2011. In addition, Iozzio has a number of publications forthcoming: "Solidarity: restoring communion with those who are disabled" in the *Journal of Religion, Disability, and Health*; "The Authority of Experience and Study: persons with disabilities adequately and integrally considered" in *Louvain Studies*; and "No Room for Complacency in the Face of HIV and AIDS: harm reduction through needle exchange" in *Health Progress*. Iozzio continues work on her book *Radical Dependence* and expects to submit the complete manuscript to the publisher, University of Notre Dame Press, in September 2011.



Veronica Koperski, SFCC, PhD, STD, professor of theology (New Testament), delivered the 15th Annual Eberhardt Lecture at St. John's Seminary, Camarillo, CA, November 9, 2010 on the topic

"Mary Magdalene, Martha and Mary: Disciples whom Jesus Loved." Koperski also attended the Institute for Biblical Research Annual Meeting in Atlanta, GA, November 19-20, 2010, followed by the Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting in Atlanta, GA, November 20-23, 2010.



Alicia C. Marill, DMin, associate professor of theology (practical theology) and director of the Doctor of Ministry Program, presented "Dispersed and Elected" at the *Raíces y Alas Congress*

(Sponsored by the National Catholic Council of Hispanic Ministry), Chicago, September 24, 2010. She also chaired a

session on human dignity and immigration at the *Raíces y Alas Congress*. She attended the Association of Doctor of Ministry Education (ADME) Board Meeting, Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary, Austin, TX, April 21-22, 2010, followed by the ADME Annual Conference, *Doctor of Ministry Education in a Multicultural World*, April 22-24, 2010. Marill also attended the Academy of Catholic Hispanic Theologians in the United States (ACHTUS) Board Meeting, University of Miami, Miami, June 6, 2010, followed by the ACHTUS Annual Colloquium, *Theologizing in Context: What Shapes Latino/a Theology*, University of Miami, Miami, June 7-9, 2010, and the National Catholic Council of Hispanic Ministry, Annual Board Meeting, Chicago, IL, September 22, 2010. Marill was appointed National Representative for the Justice for Immigrants Campaign, USCCB for the National Catholic Council for Hispanic Ministry, November 10, 2010. She contributed to the workshop: "The U.S. Catholic Church: The Challenge of Communion," sponsored by DePaul University and The Catholic Theological University, Chicago, IL, November 4-5, 2010. She attended the Association for Graduate Programs in Ministry Annual Meeting, *The Ecology of Calling: The Role of Community in Vocation and Discernment*, San Antonio, TX, February 24-26, 2011; presented a workshop, "Catholic Social Teaching and the Mission in the Church," *Amor en Acción*, St. Dominic Catholic Church, Miami, February 3, 2011; attended the Association of Doctor of Ministry Education (ADME) Board Meeting, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, New Orleans, April 13-14, 2011, followed by the ADME Annual Conference, *Pastoral Ethnography for Doctor of Ministry Education: A Contextual Approach*, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, New Orleans, April 14-16, 2011. Marill gave a workshop, the "Role of the Missionary," at St. Thomas University, Miami, May 5, 2011. She participated in session of a "Spiritually that Supports Intercultural Ministry and Reconciliation," at *Building Intercultural Competence for Ministers*, sponsored by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops Secretariat of Cultural Diversity in the Church, and participated in the Justice for Immigrants Campaign, USCCB Advocacy Day, speaking to senators in Washington, D.C., May 11, 2011.



Michael McKeon, PhD, assistant professor of philosophy, presented "Equality and Philosophical Reflections on American Slavery" at the West Virginia Philosophical Society

Spring 2011 Meeting in Buckhannon, WV, March 25, 2011; presented a paper entitled "Mill and the Limits of Free Expression" on the panel "John Stuart Mill: Approaches and Themes" at the Midwest Political Science Association 69th Annual National Conference in Chicago, IL, March 31, 2011; served as chair on the panel "Toleration, Justice, and Democratizing Institutions" at the Midwest Political Science Association 69th Annual National Conference, Chicago, IL, March 31, 2011.



Elsie M. Miranda, DMin, assistant professor of theology (practical theology) and director of the Masters of Arts in Practical Theology Program and director of Ministerial

Formation, was selected to be on the ATS Task Force for the Revision of Standards, served as the chair of the Globalization Committee, and served on accreditation visits to a Catholic and a Lutheran seminary. Miranda was elected to the Board of the Academy of Catholic Hispanic Theologians in the United States (ACHTUS). She gave the keynote address, "Theological Formation in a Global Context: From Hostility to Hospitality," at the biennial meeting of the Catholic Association of Theological Field Educators (CATFE), San Juan, Puerto Rico, January 2011. She taught with the 2011 Hispanic Summer Program at Mundelein Seminary, Chicago, IL. Miranda is submitting an article on theological formation for publication by the *21st Century*, Fall 2011.



Jorge Presmanes, OP, DMin, associate professor of theology and director of the Institute for Hispanic/Latino Theology and Ministry, gave the keynote address, "Communion in

Mission: Leadership in the Hispanic

Mary Catherine Hilkert Receives 2011 Yves Congar Award



Mary Catherine Hilkert, OP, PhD, particularly to theologies of preaching and feminist theology. Barry's Dr. Sarah Fairbanks, OP, a former student of Hilkert's, characterized her work as focused on "effective preaching in our church and world, especially in light of

The Department of Theology and Philosophy presented the Yves Congar Award for Theological Excellence to Mary Catherine Hilkert, OP, PhD, honoring her contributions,

women [and] the reality of the poor."

Through her address that evening, "In Memory of Lois and Eunice: Handing on a Living Tradition of Faith," Hilkert proved that characterization correct as she examined Congar's contribution to *Dei Verbum*, Vatican II's *Dogmatic Constitution on Divine Revelation*.

Noting the vocation of the baptized applies to both men and women, she spoke of the "lives and teaching of the many mothers and grandmothers who have handed on the Christian tradition in ways that are largely unrecognized and uncelebrated, but ... essential to the vitality and future of the ... tradition."

Recalling Paul's acknowledgment of the

teaching role played by Timothy's mother and grandmother (2 Timothy 1:5), Hilkert noted both the importance of women teachers and preachers of the faith in the domestic Church and the dismal history of women being "systematically excluded as official interpreters of the Bible." In this regard, she exhorted those gathered to recognize that all baptized Christians, male and female, are called to preach the gospel.

Professor of theology at Notre Dame, Hilkert holds a PhD from Catholic University and an MA from University of Dayton. Her works include *Naming Grace: Preaching and the Sacramental Imagination* (1997) and *Speaking with Authority: Catherine of Siena and the Voices of Women Today* (2001).

Care for Patients in a Persistent Vegetative State



David F. Kelly, PhD

David F. Kelly, PhD, emeritus Vernon F. Gallagher Professor of Theology and Health Care Ethics and the founding director of the Health Care Ethics Center at Duquesne University, presented "Obligations and Options for Patients in a Persistent Vegetative State" to an engaged audience at Barry University in November 2010.

Kelly began by defining the differences between a vegetative state (VS) and a persistent vegetative state (PVS). Both involve loss of the functionality of the cerebral cortex, but the PVS patient has been in this state for three months post-anoxia or six months after a permanent brain injury and has "no 'reasonable' hope of recovery."

The PVS patient cannot think, dream, or play; he/she does not experience pain or discomfort, yet PVS does not fit the legal definition of terminal illness. The moral question becomes then: *Are we obliged to*

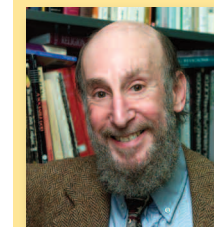
continue hydration and nutrition to people in this state to keep them alive?

The Catholic position, as Kelly described it, emphasizes respect for life, but does not counsel undertaking extraordinary measures to sustain life. The 2009 changes to the Ethical and Religious Directives for Catholic Health Care Services (ERDs), especially Directive No. 58 regarding care for those dependent upon medical technologies for survival, now call into question Catholic health care institutions' ability to determine if medically assisted hydration and nutrition can be considered an extraordinary measure of care for PVS patients.

This dilemma had been faced by several health care professionals attending the lecture, leading to a lively discussion. Kelly's presentation lent clarity both to the dilemma and to the teaching of the Church on the distinction between ordinary and extraordinary means, a distinction that remains critical for resolving questions at these vulnerable times of life. His expertise was not only illuminating, but had practical impact for many.

Renowned for his contributions in the field of health care ethics, Kelly is the author of numerous journal articles and several books, including *Medical Care at the End of Life* (Georgetown University Press, 2006).

Gandhi's Philosophy and Terrorism Today



Douglas Allen, PhD

As part of the Peace and Justice Lecture Series in March, Barry University welcomed Douglas Allen, PhD, professor of theology at the University of Maine. Allen presented his lecture, "The Philosophy of

Mahatma Gandhi and Violence and Terrorism Today." He is one of the top scholars in the philosophy of Mahatma Gandhi.

According to Allen, Gandhi's view of violence not only includes physical violence, but also psychological, social, and cultural

violence, violence through language, and violence in the form of poverty and exploitation. For this reason, Allen noted, "Gandhi would say perhaps all of us who [contend] we believe in nonviolence, actually are very violent."

Allen explained that Gandhi's philosophy does allow the use of force in rare cases when no nonviolent response would be effective.

"When you are forced to use violence, like to stop the terrorists engaged in terror, what you do is never moral," Allen said. Violence should never be glorified; it should be limited, he continued. "Then do everything in your power to change the conditions that gave rise to that terrorism."

Congratulations, Graduates!

TEN NEW STUDENTS JOIN MAIN CAMPUS GRADUATE PROGRAMS

The Department welcomed 10 new students to main campus, six matriculating in the Doctor of Ministry program and four in the MA in Practical Theology.

Winter Term 2011



Pictured with Dr. Alicia Marill, Director of the DMin Program, are (from left) Rev. Anthony Bonela, Deacon Joseph Pius Gabriel and Rev. Kizito Okhuoya

Summer Term 2011



Pictured with Dr. Alicia Marill, Director of the DMin Program, are (from left) Rev. Robert Bruce Cinquegrani, Cindy Scaruffi-Klispie and Rev. Pedro Lamberto Toledo



From left: Professor Martin Madar, current student Lucia Luzondo, Dr. Sara Fairbanks, OPm and new students Adela Langa and La-Nitka F. Davis (New students not pictured: Therese Bjoernaas and Rebekah Evans)

Doctor of Ministry December 2010



From left: Dr. Gloria L. Schaab, SSJ, Alex F. Schlich, DMin, Rev. Mary Ellen Dakin Cassini, DMin, and Dr. Veronica Koperski, SFCC

Rev. Mary Ellen Dakin Cassini, DMin, Thesis-project: *Articulating the Role of the School Chaplain in a Religiously Diverse Episcopal Independent School.*

Alex Foltz Schlich, DMin, Thesis-project: *The Pedagogy of Grace in a Trinitarian Paradigm: The Student-Person-in-Relation and Service Learning in Theological Studies.*

Master of Arts in Practical Theology December 2010



From left: Pamela Phillips, María Teresa Lopez, Marta Acosta, Dr. Gloria L. Schaab, SSJ, Neri Sori, OP, Isabel Pillezo and Elizabeth Keith

May 2011



Steffano Montano (MAPT) and Dr. Elsie Miranda, Director of the Master of Arts in Practical Theology

Doctor of Ministry May 2011



From left: Valerie Turner, DMin, Rev. Santhiyagu Arockiyasami, DMin, Francisco H. Castillo, DMin, and Katherine Knapp, DMin

Rev. Santhiyagu Arockiyasamy, MSFS, DMin, Thesis-project: *"I have come to call 'Sinners'" (Lk 5:32): A Subaltern Hermeneutic of Proclaiming Jesus Christ in the Context of Caste Discrimination in the Catholic Church in Tamil Nadu – A Liberation Perspective.*

Francisco H. Castillo, DMin, Thesis-project: *Towards a Renewed Ministry: The Liturgy as the Hermeneutical Key for a Diverse Twenty-First Century Catholic High School.*

Kathryn Knapp, DMin, Thesis-project: *The Metamorphosis of the Military Chaplaincy.*

Valerie Turner, DMin, Thesis-project: *"Is anything too wonderful for the Lord?" (Gen 18:14a): Introducing Pastoral Care to For-Profit Medical Centers.*

Theta Alpha Kappa Honor Society Induction Ceremony

A national honor society in theology, open to persons of all faiths, Theta Alpha Kappa promotes excellence and scholarship in the fields of religious studies and religious education. New graduate and undergraduate inductees are pictured below.



First row, from left: Therese Bjoernaas, Carlos Córdova, Sergio Ramirez, Erin Murphy, María Sanchez. Second row, from left: Carlos Cueto, Dr. Gloria L. Schaab, SSJ, moderator María Mercedes Hoffmann and Steffano Montano

Faculty Profiles



Sandra Jane Fairbanks, PhD, associate professor of philosophy (ethics, philosophy of law and political theory), published "Environmental Goodness and the Challenge of American Culture," in *Ethics & the Environment*, 15, no. 2 (Fall 2010): 79-102. Fairbanks presented "Climate Change and Moral Responsibility," at a philosophy conference, Davis & Elkins College, Elkins, WV, April 2011. With Dr. Joel Wilcox, Fairbanks coached the Barry University Ethics Bowl Team in the 2011 Regional Ethics Bowl and the National Competition. The team placed sixth out of twenty-four in the Southeast Regional Competition and was invited to the National Championship Competition, Cincinnati, OH, March 3, 2011. This is the third time Barry University has been invited to the National Championship Ethics Bowl.



Sara Fairbanks, OP, PhD, associate professor of theology (systematic theology), published "Greening the Nicene Creed: Liturgical Grounding for Ecological Ethics and Action" in *Liturgical Ministry* 20 (Spring 2011): 79-86. Fairbanks presented workshops on "The Art of Liturgical Preaching," at the *Dominican College Preaching in Action Conference* in Chicago, IL, May 28, 2011, and workshops on "Proclaiming Christ: The How-tos of Preaching," at the Dominican High School Preaching Conference, Adrian, MI, July 2, 2011.



Pedro Blas González, PhD, professor of philosophy (continental philosophy, existentialism, Ortega y Gasset, Latin-American philosophy, history of ideas) published *Dreaming in the Cathedral*, (Amazon.com: Summer 2010), Kindle e-book.; "Ortega y Gasset's Metaphysical Cure for Invertebrate Cultures" in *The University*

Bookman (Winter 2011): 1-6; "Citizen Kane: Biography and the Unfinished Sentence" in *Senses of Cinema* 57 (Fall 2010): 1-19; "Algunos aspectos del hombre Nuevo" in *Circulo: Revista de Cultura* 39 (Fall 2010): 69-74; "A Letter to Camus" in *Istanbul Literary Review* 18 (Fall 2010): 1-8.; "James Gould Cozzens: Morning Noon and Night" in *Spike Magazine: Books, Music, Art, Ideas* (February 19, 2011): 13; Review of Krzysztof Zanussi's film "The Structure of Crystals" in *Cinémathèque Annotations* on Film 57 (Fall 2010): 1-4; "Reconstructing Philosophy" in *Orthodoxy Today* (December 10, 2010): 1-9; "The White Room" in *Apbelion: Science Fiction and Fantasy* 14, no. 146 (November 11, 2010): 1-10; "Liberty, Youth, and Fidelity to Truth in the Open Society" in *Orthodoxy Today* (October 5, 2010): 1-5. Gonzalez also published the following columns in *The Americano*: "My School Days Memories of Ronald Reagan" (February 22, 2011): 1-5; "The Human Legacy of Racers Jose Froilán Gonzalez and Juan Manuel Fangio" (February 7, 2011): 1-3; "I Am Cuba" (December 20, 2010): 1-4; "Another Sunday That Will Never Return" (December 10, 2010): 1-3; "Thanksgiving and Our Need for Humility" (November 24, 2010): 1-3; "Marco Rubio and the Pursuit of the American Dream" (November 16, 2010): 1-4; "A Walk Through Manhattan" (November 11, 2010): 1-4; "La Carrera Panamericana" (October 22, 2010): 1-3; "Julian Marias, Part III: The Media and the Role of Public Intellectuals" (October 11, 2010): 1-5; "Mario Vargas Llosa Winner of the 2010 Nobel Prize in Literature" (October 8, 2010): 1-5; "Julian Marias, Part II: Philosophical Anthropology" (October 4, 2010): 1-5; "Julian Marias and the Importance of Philosophical Reflection" (September 20, 2010): 1-5; "Pedro Rodriguez Winner of the 1968 24 Hours of Le Mans" (September 13, 2010): 1-4; "Human Life as Intuition and Aesthetic Contemplation:" (August 25, 2010): 4; "My Travels with Thoreau" (August 12, 2010): 1-4; and "On Visiting Edgar Allan Poe's Grave" (July 27, 2010): 1-4. Gonzalez attended an invitation-only screening of "Nine Days That Changed the World" (Director: Kevin Knoblock) at the Tower Theater, Miami, FL, October 4, 2010. He attended *Law and Economics*, an invitation-only conference at the Universidad Francisco Marroquin Law School, Guatemala City, Guatemala, March 17-18, 2011; *The Future of Free Cities*, an invitation-

only colloquia hosted by Giancarlo Ibárgüen, President of Universidad Francisco Marroquin (Guatemala), in Roatán, Honduras, April 14-15, 2011; and *Liberty and Authority in the Works of T.S. Eliot and Jose Ortega y Gasset*, a Liberty Fund invitation-only colloquium in Indianapolis, IN, October 13-15, 2011. Gonzalez was interviewed in the Spring 2011 for a *National Geographic* documentary on Plato and the lost city of Atlantis (Kirsty Renton, producer, Zig Zag Productions, UK). The documentary will be released in late 2012.



Deena Grant, PhD, assistant professor of theology (Hebrew Scriptures), published "A Brief Discussion of the Difference between Human and Divine HMH" in *Biblica* 91 (2010): 418-424. Grant's article, "Human Anger in Biblical Literature," is forthcoming in *Revue Biblique* (2011). She will present "The Divine Warrior and His Anger as a Weapon in Old Poetry" at the upcoming Seventy-Fourth International Meeting of the Catholic Biblical Association, Assumption College, Worcester, Massachusetts, August 2011.



Mary Jo Iozzio, PhD, professor of theology (moral theology) and director of graduate programs in theology and ministry, published/edited the *Journal of the Society of Christian Ethics* 30.2 (2010); presented her seminar "Solidarity with Those at the Margins of Health: critical calls when life is threatened," Catholic Health Services, Administrative Board, Villa Maria, North Miami, FL, November 30, 2010; co-chaired the Editorial Board meeting of the *Journal of the Society of Christian Ethics*, June 9, 2011; attended and directed part of the bi-annual meeting of the Pax Christi Anti-Racism Team, Raymond, MS, October 14-17, 2010; attended the Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Religion, Atlanta, GA, October 30-November 1, 2010; attended the bi-annual meeting of the Bon Secours Health System Inc, Ethics Advisory Board, Marriottsville, MD, December 10,

News from Southeast Pastoral Institute (SEPI)

SEPI is an educational branch of the Southeast Regional Office for Hispanic Affairs, Region V and XIV of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops. Barry University offers an MA in Pastoral Ministry for Hispanics at the SEPI location in southwest Miami. This program is conducted in Spanish and trains pastoral ministers to respond to the needs of U.S. Hispanic communities.

Barry DMin Graduate: New Director of SEPI



Dr. Rafael, Capó-Iriarte, SchP

At the recent Provincial Chapter of the new Piarist Province of the United States and Puerto Rico, the Superior General of the Order nominated Fr. Rafael Capó-Iriarte, SchP, DMin, as Director of the Southeast Pastoral Institute (SEPI), Miami. He will be presented to the archbishops and bishops of the Southeast Region in September and is expected to be formally appointed in October.

"I look forward to collaborating with the dioceses and bishops of the southeastern states in the formation and development of a Hispanic leadership to help integrate the Hispanic/Latino community into the life of the Church and society," said Fr. Capó,

Fr. Capó's academic and professional experiences as well as his educational philosophy make him extremely well-suited to assume the directorship at SEPI.

Capó noted, "I believe in the education of the whole person and, with Piarist founder St. Joseph Calasanz, I think that individuals 'once well taught in faith and culture can attain a happy course of their entire lives.'"

Capó's educational and priestly ministry has been directed to helping others live their faith fully in a pluralistic and changing world.

He taught liturgical and sacramental theology at the master's level at the Dominican Center of Studies in the Caribbean (CEDOC), directing several theses and a doctoral dissertation. He served as headmaster

of Colegio Calasanz, a K-12 Piarist School in San Juan, Puerto Rico; vocation director for the Piarist Fathers of New York and Puerto Rico; and assistant to the Vice Provincial Superior. He was also associate pastor at Santísimo Salvador Church in San Juan and presider of the televised celebration of the Sunday Eucharist on local Catholic TV. He was elected moderator of the Presbyteral Council, Archdiocese of San Juan, and was recently appointed episcopal vicar for catechesis.

Capó earned the Doctor of Ministry at Barry University; a master's in education, administration and supervision at the Pontifical Catholic University, Ponce; and a Licentiate Degree in Sacramental Theology at the Gregorian University, Rome.

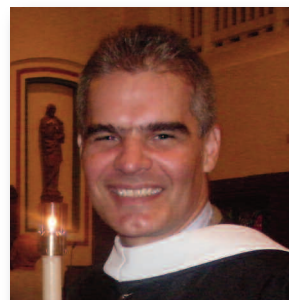
SEPI students and faculty alike look forward to learning from and working with him.

SEPI Graduates

Master of Arts in
Pastoral Ministry for Hispanics
December 2010



Hilda Noya and Rev. Jesus Lecea, SchP
May 2011



Pictured at left:
Juan Quintal
(Not pictured:
Carlos
de la Torres)

News from The Blessed Edmund Rice School for Pastoral Ministry

Barry University offers an MA in Pastoral Theology at
The Blessed Edmund Rice School for the Diocese of Venice, Florida
Congratulations, May 2011 Graduates!



First row, from left: (faculty and administration) Claire A. Miller, librarian; Rev. Severyn Kovalsyhn; Rev. Jerry Austin, OP; Dr. Andrea L. Molinari, President; Dr. Kathleen Schwartz, Director, Education Department; Dr. John T. Conroy, Jr.; Dr. Pamela Owens, CSJ; Second row, from left: (graduates) James Hanks; Leonardo Pastore; Ivy O'Malley; Kelli Bonner; Sister Chidiebere Onyewuchi; George Somborn; Doris Brodeur; Claude Laterreur; Lisa Farmer; Mary Campo and Christine McBride.

Colleague Updates

Nelson Araque, DMin student, was selected by the Catholic Coalition on Climate Change to be part of the Catholic Climate Ambassadors' program. Araque, who plans to focus on raising awareness among U.S. Hispanic Latino/a Catholics, joins a network of 24 trained ambassadors available to offer presentations on the moral implications of climate change consistent with Catholic teaching.

Barry MA Student Named Director of Family Life Ministry



Lucia Luzondo

On July 25, 2011, Lucia Baez Luzondo, Barry MA in Practical Theology student, assumed her new responsibilities as director of Family Life Ministry in the Archdiocese of Miami.

According to the Archdiocesan website, "Luzondo will be responsible for the design and implementation of Archdiocesan programs and services, in coordination with the parishes, for couples preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage, marriage enrichment, and the support of family life."

Her previous experiences, as an accomplished attorney, as a volunteer speaker in the Family Life office, and as content development officer for *Por Tu Matrimonio* (the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops' initiative in Spanish on marriage and family) will help ensure the success of the Archdiocese's Family Life Ministry.

When asked about the relationship between her MA studies and her new responsibilities, Luzondo said, "The theological and ministerial knowledge, insights, and skills I have gained have better equipped me to face the challenges of the archdiocesan Family Life Ministry. It was actually through the relationships formed at Barry that God placed me in this ministry. I especially thank Dr. Alicia Marill for being a channel of grace in my life and fellow Barry student, Alejandro Aguilera-Titus, for being instrumental in making this a reality."

New Director of Graduate Programs



Gloria L. Schaab, SSJ, PhD, has been selected as the new director of graduate programs in theology and ministry. Schaab, associate professor of systematic theology and associate dean for general education, is a prolific writer, authoring *The Creative Suffering of the Triune God* (2007) and more than 50 articles, book chapters, monographs, and reviews.

She convenes the God/Trinity topic area of the Catholic Theological Society of America

Dr. Gloria L. Schaab, SSJ, has been selected as the new director of graduate programs in theology and ministry.

Schaab, associate professor of

(CTSA) and is a member of the Publication Awards Committee of the College Theology Society and of the CTSA Admissions Committee. She is referee for several scholarly journals including *Theological Studies*, *Zygon: Journal of Religion and Science*, and the *Journal of Catholic Higher Education*. Schaab has also served as director of the Master of Arts in Practical Theology from 2006 to 2008 and as mentor for nine DMin candidates.

Speaking of this appointment, Mark E. Wedig, OP, PhD, chair of the Department of Theology and Philosophy, said, "I am pleased that Sister Gloria accepted this appointment. Her expertise and commitment will benefit students and faculty alike. We anticipate continued growth of the programs under her leadership."

Alumni News

Did you know...

Rev. Mary Ellen Cassini, DMin, Class of 2010, published "Why Chapel?" in *Reasons for Being: The Culture and Character of Episcopal Schools*, 2nd ed. (NY: National Association of Episcopal Schools, 2010): 54-60.

Heni Cukier, BA in philosophy/political science, Class of 2005, is currently professor of international affairs, Escola Superior de Propaganda Marketing (ESPM), Sao Paulo, Brazil. He also serves as a consultant for corporate social responsibility (CORE).

Rev. Deborah E. Geweke, DMin, Class of 2008, attended the North American Academy of Liturgy in San Francisco. She published "Ampersand Faith: Re-Integrating Liturgy & Life through a Reappropriation of Mystical Theology and Praxis," in *Currents in Theology and Mission* (Summer 2011).

Martin Mader, MA, Class of 2005, continues as an adjunct instructor at Barry University. Under the direction of Dr. John P. Galvin, Catholic University of America, Mader is writing his doctoral dissertation on the contribution of Joseph A. Komonchak to the theology of the local church.

Maria Teresa Morgan, DMin, Class of 2001, presented "A Franciscan Pedagogy of Non-Violent Speech: Reflections on the Eight Commandment" at the College Theology Society Convention at Iona (Summer 2011). Theology Society Convention at Iona (Summer 2011).

Valerie Turner, DMin, Class of 2011, attended the American Academy of Religion Annual Meeting, Atlanta, Georgia, October 30-November 1, 2010.

Library News

Statewide Theological Library Association Elects Barry's Phil O'Neill as President

Congratulations to Philip M. O'Neill, senior reference librarian and coordinator for theological resources, who was recently elected to a two-year term as resident of the Florida Theological Library Association (FTLA), a regional organization of the American Theological Library Association. FTLA serves to promote cooperation and exchange of ideas among the eight FTLA-member theological libraries.



Philip M. O'Neill

Congratulations to our May 2011 Graduates!



From left: María Guadalupe Malvais (BA in Theology), Richard Newell and Atenas Navarra (BA in Philosophy). Not pictured: Anthony D'Alessio (BA in Philosophy).

Phi Sigma Tau Honor Society Induction Ceremony

A national honor society in philosophy, Phi Sigma Tau encourages the highest ideals of academic excellence through presentation of papers and debates on philosophical issues.

New inductees are pictured below.



From left: Marfy Mata, Valerie Charles, Dr. Michael McKeon, moderator, and Alejandro González.

Veritas Newsletter

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Barry University's Ethics Bowl Team Competes at National Tournament

On March 3, 2011, Barry's Ethics Bowl team participated in the National Intercollegiate Ethics Bowl in Cincinnati, Ohio, along with 31 other teams from across the country. The team performed well, losing close matches to Dartmouth (129 to 136) and the University of Maryland (132 to 137), before defeating Loyola University of Chicago in their third match (131-122).



From left: Dr. Sara Fairbanks, coach, Alejandro González, Justin Crayton, Grace Collins, Valery Charles, and Thomas DePalo (Not pictured: Dr. Joel Wilcox, coach)

Campus Ministry Personnel Changes

By Veneta Lorraine, Interim Director, Campus Ministry

Campus Ministry has experienced several personnel changes this past year. The first transition is that of Rev. Scott O'Brien, OP, DMin, who, after 13 years at the University, answered the call of the Southern Dominican Province to become Novice Director. Fr. Scott had capably served the University as chaplain and director of Campus Ministry, offering students, faculty and staff superior spiritual care and helping to ensure quality liturgical services and programming.

Leadership of Campus Ministry will be assumed by Veneta Lorraine, DMin, and Rev. Marcelo Solórzano, OP, STD, who are already recognized campus-wide for their expertise and dedication. Lorraine has been appointed interim director of Campus Ministry. Along with her new responsibilities, she will continue to offer spiritual direction to both undergraduate and graduate students. Fr. Marcelo has been appointed University chaplain and is eagerly looking forward to serving the Barry community in this new role.

Christina Leano will serve as the new Coordinator for the DePorres Center, taking over for Steffano Montano who is beginning his first year as a novice with the Southern Dominican Province. Leano's passion for social justice issues and her creativity are sure to be valued by Barry students.

Nancy Arias, Campus Ministry's new administrative assistant, will assume many of the responsibilities formerly held by Office Manager Michelle Brown, who recently retired to her new home in Georgia.

As with all transitions, these departures have brought both sadness and joy. We are so grateful for the many contributions made by our former colleagues and will miss their presence. But we also look forward with excitement to what this new academic year holds, given the creativity and talents of this newly assembled team.

From the Director of Graduate Programs in Theology and Ministry

In view of the changing demographics and needs of our graduate students in both the Master of Arts in Practical Theology and Ministry and Doctor of Ministry programs, the Graduate Theology Committee of the Department of Theology and Philosophy is meeting to discuss the variety of factors that influence the scheduling of courses. These factors include:

- Offering specific courses on the basis of student need
- Offering courses in specific concentrations as enrollment warrants
- Offering required courses on a regular basis
- Varying the courses offered within each of the areas of theology
- Providing the opportunity for faculty to offer special topics suitable to student interests

The committee then plans to devise a rotation of courses guided by the most pressing of these factors. Because of this process, the course schedule for the winter residency, the spring semester, and the summer residency, which is ordinarily published in this newsletter, is presently under review.

When the committee finalizes its decision, each graduate student will receive a copy of the schedule of course offerings by email. Thank you for your patience as we strive to make our programming responsive to the requirements and needs of our graduate students.

The New Roman Missal: Challenge and Opportunity

This lecture series, held in spring 2011, brought two highly respected liturgical scholars to campus to address the liturgical, theological, and pastoral implications of the Third Typical Edition of the Roman Missal.



John F. Baldwin, SJ, PhD

professor of historical and liturgical theology at Boston College School of Theology and Ministry, Baldwin is author of *Reforming the Liturgy: A Response to the Critics*.

John F. Baldwin, SJ, PhD, focused on the place of the new missal within the context of liturgical reform initiated by the Second Vatican Council. A



Catherine Vincie, RSHM, PhD missal. A professor of liturgical theology at the Aquinas Institute of Theology in St. Louis, Vincie is author of *Celebrating Divine Mystery*.

Catherine Vincie, RSHM, PhD, directed attention to key theological and pastoral issues associated with implementation of the new

Baldovin's and Vincie's presentations provided insight into the profound ecclesial significance of this new missal. The lectures were attended by pastoral leaders of Miami and members of the Barry community and were sponsored by the Department of Theology and Philosophy and Campus Ministry.

Mark Your Calendar!

2012 Yves Congar Award for Theological Excellence Recipient

Roberto S. Goizueta, PhD

will present

**"Against the Pursuit of Happiness:
The Preferential Option for the Poor and the Denial of Death"**

Friday, January 13, 2012

Barry University

Andreas Building, Room 112, 7:00 pm

This lecture is part of the St. Thomas/St. Catherine Lecture Series

Nuala Kenny, OC, MD, FRCPC

will present

"The Ethics of Neuroscience and the Neuroscience of Ethics and Morality"

Tuesday, January 24, 2012

Andreas Building, Room 112, 7:00 pm

This lecture is sponsored by the Barry University Council on Bioethics and the Department of Theology and Philosophy St. Thomas/St. Catherine Lecture Series