FRANCESCA ARAN MURPHY:
CURRICULUM VITAE

PERSONAL DETAILS

I am a British citizen, born January, 1960. I am a permanent resident of the USA.

WORK EXPERIENCE

I: Previous Employment

1982-1983 T.A., University of Southern California
1988-1989 Lecturer in Historical & Contemporary Theology, Manchester University
1989-1991 Lecturer in Religion, College of St. Mark & St. John, Plymouth
1991-1995 Lecturer in Christian Studies, St. Martin’s College, Lancaster
1995-2001 Lecturer in Systematic Theology, Aberdeen University
2001-2008 Reader in Systematic Theology, Aberdeen University
2008-2011 Professor of Christian Philosophy, Aberdeen University

Jan 2011 - Professor of Systematic Theology, University of Notre Dame, South Bend, Indiana

Teaching

Undergraduate: Foundations of Theology, Theology and Film, Church in History and Eternity, Theology goes to the Movies, Love in Catholic Theology, What is a Person? Is Comedy Good for You?

Graduate: Faith, Reason and the Church, graduate reading courses on Hans Urs von Balthasar, Ecclesiology, Christ the Beautiful.

Administration

At Aberdeen I was Co-ordinator of the Catholic Studies MTh and the Theology and the Religious Studies MTh. I sat on the School Research Committee. I was College Postgraduate Officer from 2002-2006, processing assessments for all PGs in the School, running the annual postgraduate interviews, working through all postgraduate applications, dealing with student performance and exams, and organizing induction courses. I was Director of Undergraduate Programs in Divinity from 2008-2011. I was an Adviser on the Arts M.A. from 1996-2008.

University of Notre Dame I am on the Theology Dept. Collegiate Committee and am a Fellow of the Nanovic Institute for European Studies. I am on the board of the Film Department. I am on the Board of the C.E.C.

RESEARCH

I. Books

1. Christ the Form of Beauty: A Study in Theology and Literature (T & T Clark 1995)
II. Editor


6. With Christopher Brittain, Theology, University, Humanities: Initium Sapientiae Timor Domini (Wipf and Stock, 2011)


8. The Oxford Handbook on Revelation (with Balazs Mezei as main editor and Kenneth Oakes as co-editor, Oxford University Press, Forthcoming, 2020).


III. Articles in Journals


15. “Are We Amused?” a review article on David Bentley Hart’s *Atheist Delusions* and Terry Eagleton’s *Reason, Faith and Religion*, in *Pro Ecclesia* (Volume XIX.4, Fall 2010, 453-459).

16. “Engaging Macintyre’s God, Philosophy, Universities, review article, *Nova et Vtecta* (Vol 9 No. 4, Fall 2011, 981-989)


IV. Chapters in Books


“Battle over the Beautiful: Maritain and Gilson,” in A Thomistic Tapestry. Essays in Memory of Etienne Gilson, edited by Peter Redpath (Rodopi Editions B.V., Atlanta and Amsterdam, Autumn 2002).


“Providence in 1 Samuel,” in The Providence of God edited by myself and Philip G. Ziegler, (Continuum, 2009)


V. Dictionary Articles

1. Entries on Benedictines, Carmelites, Cistercians, Carthusians, Dominicans, Franciscans, Communio & Liberazione, Opus Dei, Pax Christi, Redemptorists, Jesuits, Roman Catholic Church, Chaldean Uniate Church, Melkite Church, Maronite Church, Romanian Uniate Church, Ruthenian Uniate Church, + Ukrainian Catholic Church in Contemporary Religions: A World Guide (Longman, 1992/1994)


**Major Conference Papers**

“Von Balthasar as Tragic Theologian,” at the Literature and Theology Conference on Tragedy, Durham University, September 1990.


“Philosophy and Theology in Fides et Ratio Chapter 4.” At a conference on Fides et Ratio, the University of Ireland at Maynooth, May, 2000.


I gave the annual Thomas Aquinas lecture in Oxford, January 2006, on “Dad’s Army in Austria: Engelbert Dollfuss’ Desperate Strategy”


I spoke at a conference put on by the Centre for Catholic and Evangelical Theology called ‘What does it Mean to Do this: The Eucharist today’ in June 2012.

I gave the annual Anthony Jordan Lectures at Newman Theological College, Edmonton, Alberta, in March 2013


I gave the annual Theotokos Lecture at Marquette University in October 2013.

I responded to Marilynne Robinson at the annual Logos Colloquium at Mundelein Seminary, May 2015. The conversation was about her book, Absence of Mind: Dispelling the Modern Myth of the Self

Along with Charles Morerod, I addressed the Irish Episcopal Conference in Maynooth, September, 2015

I spoke on “George Lindbeck, Narrative Theology and Gaudium et Spes” at the Conference on Karl Barth and Vatican II at the Dominican House of Studies, September 2016.

I gave the annual Pentecost Lectures at Plascarden Abbey in June 2017.

Panels

I gave a paper to the panel on David Hart’s The Beauty of the Infinite at the American Academy of Religion Conference in November, 2005.
I gave a paper to the panel on Khaled Anatolios’ Retrieving Nicene at the American Academy of Religion Conference in November, 2012
I gave a paper to the panel on Ephraim Radner’s A Brutal Unity at the American Academy of Religion Conference in November, 2013

Service to the Academy
I was invited in 2009 to act as an external reviewer for the appointment of Paul Griffiths to the chair in Catholic Theology at Duke University. I read all of his books and commented on their merit to the Duke Theology faculty. In March 2013 I was invited to act as an external reviewer for the promotion to full professor of Gerrard Mannion at Georgetown University.

I reviewed the promotion to tenure of Chad Pecknold at CUA. I reviewed Stephen Field’s application for ‘Full Professor’ at Georgetown University. I reviewed Reinhold Hutter’s application for tenure at C.U.A in 2016.

**Research/ Writing Projects Currently on the Go**

I am working on a project called ‘Hidden Treasures of Catholic Thought’ with Balazs Mezei and Ken Oakes. It will involve annual conferences and a book series, which Bloomsbury has agreed to publish. The book series is called ‘Illuminating Modernity.’ The ‘Hidden Treasures of Catholic Thought’ project involves research on lesser known Thomists such as Erich Przywara and Edith Stein, and research into the lesser known influence of Thomas Aquinas on figures such as J.B. Metz and Hans Urs von Balthasar. Bloomsbury Academic have offered a contract for us to edit a series of around twenty books which will flow from this project, called ‘Illuminating Modernity.’

Our Book series website is at http://www.illuminatingmodernity.com

I am translating Elisabeth Blum’s *Von Dickköpfen, Vagabunden un Engeln*.

Together with Ken Oakes and Balazs Mezei I am editing the OUP Handbook on Divine Revelation and the OUP Handbook on Soteriology.

Since September 2017, I have been writing an article on Religion every other week for First Things Online Exclusives.

**Grants**

£600 from the Carnegie Trust to research the correspondence of Etienne Gilson and Marie-Dominique Chenu.

£1850 from the British Academy to support a conference which I put on at Aberdeen University in May 2005 on *Ut Unum Sint*.

£1000 from the Panacea Society to support a conference which I organized at Aberdeen University on *Divine Providence*.

£1995 from the British Academy to support a conference which I organized at Aberdeen University on *Divine Providence*.

$4000 from the Nanovic Institute of the University of Notre Dame to support a workshop on ‘Hidden Treasures of Thomism’
$15,000 from the Henkel's Institute of the University of Notre Dame to support a conference on ‘Christology Today’

$5,000 from the Henkel's Institute of the University of Notre Dame to support a research assistant to develop the ‘Illuminating Modernity’ series.

$30,000 from the Nanovic Institute of the University of Notre Dame to develop a project on ‘Hidden Treasures of Catholic Thought.’

$3,000 from the Nanovic Institute of the University of Notre Dame towards our conference on ‘Christian Wisdom Engages Modernity.’

$15,000 from the Institute of Liberal Arts of Notre Dame to support work on our book, Begetting the Secular: Telling the Story of Atheism, and its correlative website.

$25,000 from the Earhart Foundation to support work on our book, Begetting the Secular: Telling the Story of Atheism, and its correlative website.

$75,000 from the Institute of Religion and Public Life to spend six to twelve months of the academic year 2015-2016 in Manhattan as a Senior Writing Fellow at First Things. This is funded by the Templeton Foundation.


ACADEMIC HISTORY

School
1965-1970 P.S. 41, Manhattan, New York
1970-1977 Roedean School, A' Levels: English, Latin, Greek

University
1979-1982 B.A. (Hons) Theology, Manchester University
1982-1983 M.A. Philosophy University of Southern California
1984-1987 Awarded three year British Academy Grant to do research at King’s College, London University
1990 Ph.D. Theology, King’s College, London

WIDER CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE GAIETY OF THE NATION

I am on the editorial board of the Continuum/Bloomsbury ‘Religion and the University’ series
I am an editorial advisor on the journal Nova et Vetera
I am on the advisory board of the “Faith and Reason” series for Sapientia Press
I am a member of the American Academy of Religion
I am a member of the Academy of Catholic Theology.
I am on the consultative editorial board of *The Oxford Handbook to Catholic Theology*, edited by Lewis Ayres.
I am co-editing a series with Bloomsbury Academic called ‘Illuminating Modernity’.
I am a member of the group ‘Evangelicals and Catholics Together’.
I am on the Editorial Advisory board of the *Scottish Journal of Theology*.

**External Examining**

I was External Examiner for 2009-2011 for the Theology & Religious Studies Tripos at Cambridge University (Philosophy of Religion, Doctrine, World Religions). I have served as an external examiner on many PhD theses, from Cambridge to Toronto.

**Publishing**

I have read over 30 book manuscripts for Oxford University Press, Continuum, Catholic University of America, Yale University Press, University of Notre Dame Press, and numerous manuscripts for academic journals.

**Conference Organization**

I organized a conference at Aberdeen University in May 2005 called *Ut Unum Sint: Commitment to Ecumenism*, to which representatives of most major Christian traditions were invited (and we heard from the ones who were not).

I jointly organised an international conference at Aberdeen University in January 2008 on divine providence, called *Deus Consilium Habet: The Place of Providence Today*.

I co-piloted a conference at Aberdeen University in August 2009 *Initium Sapientiae: Theology and the Humanities*.

I organised a conference solo at Aberdeen University in July, 2010, on *Theology, the Church and Controversy: Nil Illegitimi Carborundum*.

I organized an international conference at the University of Notre Dame on Christology, for May 2013.

I organized an international conference at the University of Notre Dame on ‘Christian Wisdom meets Modernity,’ for December 2013.

**Translation**


Book Reviews


**Items for the Popular Press**


**REFERENCES**

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