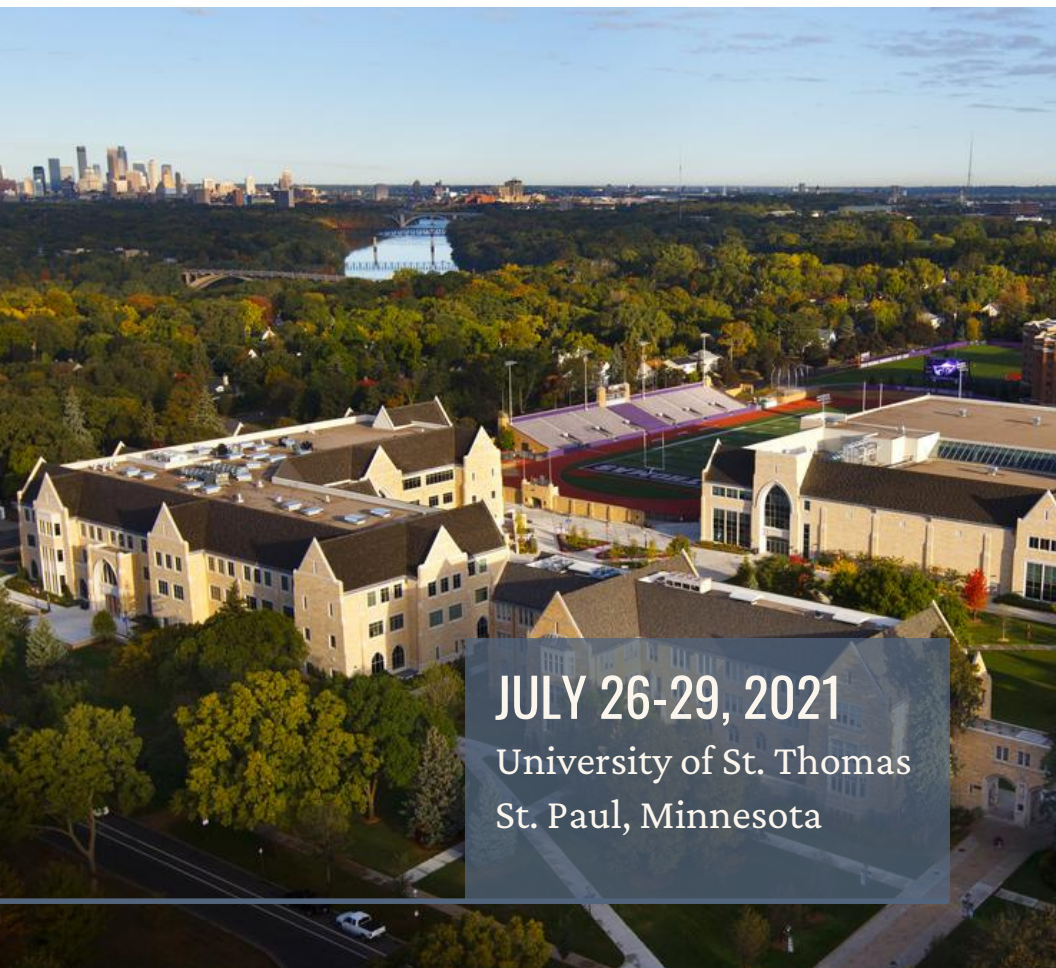




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God's Plan for the Human Person



Dear friends,

On behalf of the Institute for Catholic Liberal Education, allow me to welcome you to our ninth annual National Conference. We are so happy to be able to extend our reach beyond the physical gathering at the University of St. Thomas. While the last year has made us appreciate the essential nature of relationship in the vocation of teaching, we also learned how to learn via streaming, making it a great way to advance our growth, even if not the perfect way. In this vein, we are so happy to bring nearly 1,500 additional teachers and administrators to our conference this year by live streaming alone. We are happy to have you join the 325 of us on campus from your home or school.

We are thrilled to welcome our bishops, priests, religious, superintendents, principals and, especially, all of you teachers who serve our Catholic school children each minute of the day in the classroom.

This year we celebrate *Regaining a Catholic Vision in a Secular Age*, which reflects our need to be intentional about our mission and fully steeped in our educational heritage. We invite you to deepen your vocation in the joyful spirit of teaching in the Catholic tradition, which is revitalizing schools across the country.

Over and over the Church repeats the same thing, that, ultimately, our purpose is to create saints. The Church has much to say on how this occurs, but it all rests on the right understanding of the human person—that is, on a Christian anthropology. St. Augustine clearly shows us this in the opening of *The Confessions*, when he explains that we are all made for Him and our hearts will be restless until they rest in Him.

As history has shown over the millennia, only when we as a people renew our spiritual selves can we hope to renew our lives in general. This is true in education, not surprisingly. For only in a spiritual renewal can we regain our true understanding of humanity—our origin and our eternal destiny.

So, we gather in a place named for two powerful teachers, St. Paul and St. Thomas, to be inspired and equipped to make our classrooms, schools, and dioceses once again brilliant flames of truth, beauty, and goodness to serve as beacons of joy in a secular world hungry for renewal.

We hope our time together will inspire, inform, and strengthen us as we continue to share Christ and His Church with our students and their families. We are grateful to be enjoying the tremendous hospitality of our co-sponsor, Dr. Michael Naughton and the Center for Catholic Studies here at the University of St. Thomas, and we thank New Eve Media for handling the live stream this week.

In Christ,



MICHAEL VAN HECKE

President

Institute for Catholic Liberal Education

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Come Holy Spirit!

All: *Come Holy Spirit! Fill the hearts of Thy faithful and enkindle in them the fire of Thy love.*

Leader: *Send forth Thy Spirit, and they shall be created,*

All: *And Thou shalt renew the face of the earth.*

Leader: *Let us pray...*

All: *O God, Who by the light of the Holy Spirit, instructed the hearts of Thy faithful, grant us, in the same Spirit, to savor what is right and ever to rejoice in His consolation. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

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MONDAY

July 26th, 2021

3:30 PM

OPTIONAL PRE-CONFERENCE INTRODUCTORY SESSION



REGAINING A CATHOLIC VISION IN A SECULAR AGE: THE RENEWAL OF CATHOLIC EDUCATION

Elisabeth Sullivan

Executive Director, ICLE

Highly recommended for those who are new to this renewal, the session will explore the nature and purpose of Catholic education and its roots in the classical liberal arts tradition. We will frame the vision, clarify unfamiliar terms, and offer a roadmap.

7:00 PM

WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS

Michael Van Hecke, President, ICLE
Elisabeth Sullivan, Executive Director, ICLE
Woulfe Hall, ASC

7:15 PM

OPENING PLENARY



THE STORY OF CATHOLIC EDUCATION: OUR ORIGINS, DESTINY, AND ROLE TODAY

Dr. Michael Naughton

Director, Center for Catholic Studies
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8:30 AM

PLENARY TWO



OUR APOSTOLIC MOMENT: A RENEWED VISION FOR CATHOLIC EDUCATION IN THE MODERN AGE

Elias J. Moo

*Superintendent of Catholic Schools
Archdiocese of Denver*

10:00-
11:00 AM

BREAKOUT BLOCK A

THE POWER OF MEMORIZED LANGUAGE

(ALL)

Andrew Pudewa

1:30 PM

PLENARY THREE



POETRY'S APOLOGY: CULTIVATING THE SACRAMENTAL IMAGINATION

Jocelyn Jekel

*Director of Classical Education
Martin Saints Classical High School*

3:30-
4:15 PM

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5:00 PM

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Woulfe Hall, ASC

8:30 AM

PLENARY FOUR



LET THEM BE BORN IN WONDER: THE
RESTORATION OF THE CATHOLIC IMAGINATION

The Most Reverend James D. Conley, D.D., S.T.L
Bishop of Lincoln

10:00-
11:00 AM

BREAKOUT BLOCK B

GOLDEN TREASURES: TRANSFORMING YOUR
SCHOOL THROUGH HYMN-SINGING

(ALL)

Dr. Andrew T. Seeley

12:45 PM

PLENARY FIVE



THE METAPHYSICS OF AMAZEMENT:
CHILDREN'S LITERATURE AND THE ROMANCE
OF REALITY

Martin Cothran
Editor, Classical Teacher Magazine

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2:00-
3:00 PM

BREAKOUT BLOCK C

HOW TO TEACH ANYTHING

(MS, HS, AD)

Dr. Greg Roper

3:30-
4:15 PM

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8:30-
9:30 AM

BREAKOUT BLOCK D

CATHOLIC ANTHROPOLOGY ACCORDING
TO ST. JOHN BOSCO

(ALL)

Colleen Richards

11:30 AM

CLOSING PLENARY



TEACHING THE TRUTH OF UNITY IN A DIVIDED
WORLD

The Most Reverend Andrew H. Cozzens, S.T.D., D.D.
Auxiliary Bishop of St. Paul and Minneapolis

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Block A

THE POWER OF MEMORIZED LANGUAGE (LIVESTREAM)

Based on an understanding of the four language arts—listening, speaking, reading, and writing—this presentation explores the neurological, practical, and spiritual benefits of learning “by heart” poetry, scripture, prayers, and speeches, to furnish the mind with rich vocabulary and syntax and boost students’ aptitude for speaking and writing effectively.

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Block B

GOLDEN TREASURES: TRANSFORMING YOUR SCHOOL THROUGH HYMN-SINGING (LIVESTREAM)

Many Institute schools have made themselves into communities of holy song by implementing liturgical choral training for all of their students. Drs. Seeley and Roberts will introduce participants to the treasury of classic hymns and the formative impact they can have on students and schools.

Elementary, Middle School, High School, Administration

Block C

HOW TO TEACH ANYTHING (LIVESTREAM)

Many new teachers think that teaching is a matter of techniques--for handling the classroom, for discipline, for their subject matter. But before those come basic principles, attitudes, and virtues that guide and direct all else that we do. This talk will make the case that teaching begins with memory, imagination, and a full gift of self, and that, if those are in place, good teaching will come to full fruition.

Middle School, High School, Administration

Block D

CATHOLIC ANTHROPOLOGY ACCORDING TO ST. JOHN BOSCO

A Christian understanding of the human person is one of the five marks of the Catholic school, as stated in *The Holy See's Teaching on Catholic Schools*, by Archbishop Miller. For many of us, our teacher education programs did not supply this philosophical foundation. A simple resource full of deep insight is St. John Bosco's "Salesian Way," the rules for living he gave his students. Get your Catholic anthropology started with this breakout!

Elementary, Middle School, High School, Administration

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Elisabeth Sullivan

Executive Director, Institute for Catholic Liberal Education

A former journalist, Elisabeth developed her passion for Catholic liberal education while exploring authentic formation in faith and reason for her own children. She joined the Institute in 2010 to advance this vision and train educators in its philosophy and practice. As Executive Director, she develops ICLE's program content and publications, designs our annual conference, and promotes our mission through speaking engagements across the country. Elisabeth is a CiRCE-Certified Classical Teacher who has taught middle school writing and literature, served on Catholic school boards, and served as director of communications for a liberal arts school in the Catholic tradition. She holds a B.S. in Humanities from the Georgetown University School of Foreign Service, and an M.S. from the Columbia University Graduate School of Journalism. She and her husband live in North Carolina and have three sons.

Dr. Michael Naughton

Director, Center for Catholic Studies & Professor, Koch Chair in Catholic Studies, University of St. Thomas, MN

Michael Naughton has been a teacher for over 38 years on both secondary and university levels. He is currently the director of the Center for Catholic Studies at the University of St. Thomas (Minnesota), where he holds the Koch Chair in Catholic Studies. Dr. Naughton is author, co-author and co-editor of 10 books and over 50 articles. His most recent book is called *What We Hold in Trust: Rediscovering the Purpose of Catholic Higher Education* (coauthors Don Briel and Ken Goodpaster). Dr. Naughton serves on several boards including the University of Mary, St. Agnes School's Headmaster's Advisory Board and Catholic Eldercare. He is also board chair of Reell Precision Manufacturing, a producer of torque solutions for transportation, consumer electronics, medical and office automation products with offices in the US, Netherlands and China. He is married with five children and one grandchild.

PLENARY SPEAKER BIOS

Elias J. Moo

Superintendent of Catholic Schools, Archdiocese of Denver

A product of Catholic schools, Elias has served as the Superintendent of Catholic Schools for the Archdiocese of Denver since 2018. Prior to becoming Superintendent, Elias served as a teacher and Principal at St. Rose of Lima Catholic Academy a school located in inner-city Denver. It was during his time at St. Rose of Lima as he grappled with the question of the highest good his school had to offer his students that he stumbled across *Divini Illius Magistri*. Written in 1929 by Pope Pius XI, this encyclical triggered what he describes was a journey of intellectual conversion that renewed his understanding of the purpose of education and the mission of the Catholic school and cultivated a passion for the Church's timeless educational charter, one he is convinced provides a vision for the education and formation of the human person that is so desperately needed today. A native of Oxnard, CA, Elias is a graduate of the University of Notre Dame. He and his wife Claudia are the proud parents of five beautiful, rambunctious boys. When not reading or playing backyard baseball, the Moo family can be found enjoying the grandeur of God in the Rocky Mountains.

Jocelyn Jekel

Director of Classical Education, Marthin Saints Classical High School

Mrs. Jocelyn Jekel is a graduate of the Templeton Honors College at Eastern University where she earned a B.S. in Biochemistry with double minors in Philosophy and Theology (2015), and an MAT in Classical Education (2021). In her years of teaching, she has taught math, literature, and science at a K-8 classical Christian school in Jackson, WY, as well as a variety of subjects and age levels at The Mason Academy in Newtown Square, PA. For the past four years, she served as the Director of Classical Education at Martin Saints Classical High School in Oreland, PA where she has also taught philosophy, biology, and astronomy. With an 18-month-old at home and a second child joining the family in August, Jocelyn has joined the Advisory Board at Martin Saints so she can stay involved in these important conversations about classical Catholic education as she spends time focusing on motherhood and the art of homemaking.

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The Most Reverend James D. Conley, D.D., S.T.L

Bishop of Lincoln

Since his priestly ordination in 1985, Bishop James D. Conley has served the Catholic Church in a wide variety of ways—as pastor, college campus chaplain, director of Respect Life ministries, theology instructor, Vatican official, and bishop. In all of these tasks, he has seen his life as a priest as a call to service and complete surrender to “God’s providential hand.” For his episcopal motto, Bishop Conley, a convert to the Catholic faith, chose the same motto as the great 19th-century English convert, John Henry Cardinal Newman, “*cor ad cor loquitur*,” which means “heart speaks to heart.”

Bishop Conley grew up in Kansas and Colorado and attended public schools. While in college, he studied in the University of Kansas’s Integrated Humanities Program, a well-known classical great books program. During his junior year, he converted to the Catholic Church on Dec. 6, 1975. His mentor and teacher in the Integrated Humanities Program, Professor John Senior, was his godfather. He graduated in 1977 from the University of Kansas with a bachelor’s degree in English literature.

After college, Bishop Conley worked on a farm in north central Kansas and traveled to Europe. In 1980, he entered seminary for the Diocese of Wichita. After formational studies in Kentucky, Maryland, and Rome, he was ordained a priest for the Diocese of Wichita on May 18, 1985. He served in several parishes, including one on the campus of Wichita State University, before earning his licentiate in Rome. He had the privilege in 1991 of baptizing both his mother and father and receiving them into the Catholic Church.

Bishop Conley was called back to Rome in 1996 to serve the Holy See as an official in the Vatican Congregation for Bishops. He also served in chaplaincy and teaching roles at the Rome campuses of the University of Dallas and Christendom College. On Feb. 9, 2001, Pope John Paul II named him “chaplain to his holiness” with the title monsignor. After 10 years of service at the Holy See, Bishop Conley was called back to Wichita Diocese and appointed a pastor in 2006.

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PLENARY SPEAKER BIOS

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On April 10, 2008, Pope Benedict XVI announced the appointment of Rev. Msgr. James D. Conley as auxiliary bishop for the Archdiocese of Denver. Denver Archbishop Charles J. Chaput, O.F.M. Cap., ordained him as the new auxiliary bishop on May 30, 2008, the solemnity of the Sacred Heart. When Archbishop Chaput was appointed as archbishop of Philadelphia, in 2011, Bishop Conley was named apostolic administrator, entrusted with the authority to teach, sanctify and lead until Bishop Samuel Aquila of Fargo, N.D., was installed as archbishop of Denver on July 18, 2012. With the installation of Archbishop Aquila, Bishop Conley resumed his former title of auxiliary bishop.

On Sept. 14, 2012, Pope Benedict XVI appointed Bishop Conley as the bishop of the Lincoln Diocese in Nebraska. Bishop Conley was installed as the ninth Bishop of Lincoln on Nov. 20, 2012, in the Cathedral of the Risen Christ in Lincoln.

Martin Cothran

Editor, Classical Teacher Magazine

Martin Cothran is editor of the Classical Teacher magazine, and the author of *Traditional Logic, Books I and II*, *Material Logic: A Course on How to Think*, *Classical Rhetoric: A Study of Aristotle's Principles of Persuasion*, and *Lingua Biblica: Old Testament Stories in Latin*. He is former Latin, Logic, and Rhetoric Instructor at Highlands Latin School in Louisville, Kentucky and holds a B.A. in philosophy and economics from the University of California at Santa Barbara and an M.A. in Christian Apologetics from the Simon Greenleaf School (now a part of Trinity University). He is a popular conservative voice on public policy issues in his home state of Kentucky, and is a regular guest on Kentucky Educational Television's weekly "Kentucky Tonight" program.



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The Most Reverend Andrew H. Cozzens, S.T.D., D.D.

Auxiliary Bishop of Saint Paul and Minneapolis

The Most Reverend Andrew Cozzens serves as Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis.

A native of Denver, Bishop Cozzens is the youngest of three children. He graduated from Benedictine College in Atchison, Kansas, with majors in English Literature and Philosophy. During a period of discernment after college, Bishop Cozzens served as a traveling missionary to young people around the country with Twin Cities-based NET Ministries, and worked for one year at the University of St Thomas in Saint Paul as a missionary with Saint Paul's Outreach, leading college Bible study groups.

In 1992, he joined the Companions of Christ in Saint Paul, an association of diocesan priests pursuing holiness together through commitments to fraternal life and the evangelical counsels. After a year of formation and discernment, he was accepted into the Saint Paul Seminary. Four years later, in 1997, he was ordained to the priesthood for the Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis. He served as Parochial Vicar at the Cathedral of Saint Paul and then Faribault Catholic Community (now Divine Mercy), in Faribault, Minnesota, before being sent to Rome for doctoral studies in 2002. Upon his return to Minnesota, Bishop Cozzens began service as a professor of sacramental theology at the Saint Paul Seminary, where he also worked as a formation director for the seminarians until 2012.

He completed his Doctorate in Sacred Theology at the Pontifical University of St Thomas Aquinas in Rome in 2008. His dissertation on how the priest is called to be a living image of Jesus Christ the Bridegroom of the Church explored the theology of the priesthood and the evangelical counsels of obedience, chastity, and poverty.

On October 11, 2013, Pope Francis appointed him as Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis. Bishop Cozzens' ordination to the Episcopacy took place December 9, 2013, on the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, at the Cathedral of Saint Paul. He is currently serving as Chairman of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops Committee on Evangelization and Catechesis.

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