

*Curriculum Vitae*

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**PROFESSIONAL PROFILE**

A specialist in theologies of Jewish-Christian relations, biblical studies, and religious education, with extensive experience in Christian-Jewish relations, including as a consultant for national and international ecclesiastical and academic institutions.

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**EDUCATION**

- **Ph.D., Religion and Education**, Boston College, Chestnut Hill, MA, 1992  
DISSERTATION: *A Content Analysis of the Presentation of Jews and Judaism in Current Roman Catholic Religion Textbooks*
- **M.A., Religious Education (Theology)**, LaSalle University, Philadelphia, PA, 1984
- **M.S., Education**, Fordham Graduate School of Education, New York, NY, 1977
- **B.A., History**, Fordham College, Bronx, NY 1972

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**EXPERIENCE**

**Professor of Theology**, Saint Joseph's University, Philadelphia, PA, 2008 to Present

- Director, Institute for Jewish-Catholic Relations

**Executive Director of The Center for Christian-Jewish Learning**, Boston College, Chestnut Hill, Massachusetts, 2000 – 2007

- Adjunct Professor of Theology

**Professor of Theology**, Notre Dame College, Manchester, NH, 1997-2000

- Associate Professor of Theology, 1991-1996
- Director of The Ministry Institute, 1991-2000
- Co-Director, The Shalom Center for Understanding between Christians and Jews, 1994-1999

**Co-Director**, Salem Deanery Christian Life Center, Salem, NH, 1983-1988

[An adult religious education center offering undergraduate-level courses.]

**Director of Religious Education**, St. Peter Parish, Pleasantville, NJ, 1980-1983

**Junior High School Teacher**, St. Augustine Regional School, Ocean City, NJ, 1977-1980

**Junior High School Teacher**, St. Teresa School, Woodside, NY 11377, 1973-1977

## BOOKS PUBLISHED

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CATEGORY CODE: S = Scholarly; C = Collected Scholarly Essays; E = Education/Popular

- *Seeking Shalom: The Journey to Right Relationship between Catholics and Jews* (Grand Rapids, MI / Cambridge, U.K.: William B. Eerdmans Pub. Co., 2015). [S]
- *Christ Jesus and the Jewish People Today: New Explorations of Theological Interrelationships*, edited with Joseph Sievers, Mary C. Boys, Hans Hermann Henrix, and Jesper Svartvik (Grand Rapids, MI: William P. Eerdmans Publishing and Rome: Gregorian & Biblical Press, 2011). [C]
- *The Catholic Church and the Jewish People: Recent Reflections from Rome*. Edited with N. Hofmann and J. Sievers (New York: Fordham University Press, 2007). [C]
- *Pondering the Passion: What's at Stake for Christians and Jews?* (editor) (Lanham, MD: Rowman and Williams, 2005). [C]
- *Walking God's Paths: Christians and Jews in Candid Conversation* – Video series (United States Conference of Catholic Bishops: Catholic Communications Campaign and The National Council of Synagogues, 2004) and *Users' Guide*. ([www.bc.edu/wgp](http://www.bc.edu/wgp), 2003). [E]
- *Sharing the Scriptures: Volume 1 of The Word Set Free* (New York/Mahwah: Stimulus Foundation/Paulist Press, 2003). [S]
- *A Story of Shalom: The Calling of Christians and Jews by a Covenanting God*; (New York/Mahwah: Stimulus Foundation/Paulist Press, 2001). [S]
- *Sharing Shalom: A Local Interfaith Dialogue Process*. Edited with Rabbi Arthur Starr. (Mahwah/New York: Paulist Press, 1998). [E]
- Revision/expansion of grade 6 (Hebrew Bible) student text, school ed. of *This Is Our Faith* religion textbook series (Silver, Burdett, Ginn, 1998). [E]
- *Proclaiming Shalom: Lectionary Introductions to Foster the Catholic and Jewish Relationship* (Collegeville, MN: Liturgical Press, 1995). [S/E]
- *Education for Shalom: Religion Textbooks and the Enhancement of the Catholic and Jewish Relationship* (Collegeville: Liturgical Press, 1995). [S]
- *Jesus and the Evangelists: The Ministry of Jesus in the Synoptic Gospels* (Mahwah/New York: Paulist Press, 1988; 2<sup>nd</sup> ed.; Lanham, MD: University Press of America, 1993). [E]
- *Jewish Apostle to the Gentiles: Paul As He Saw Himself* (Mystic, CT.: Twenty-Third Publications, 1986). [E]

## ARTICLES OR BOOK CHAPTERS PUBLISHED

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CATEGORY CODE: S = Scholarly; C = Collected Scholarly Essays; E = Education/Popular

- “Is the Pope ‘Anti-Jewish’? No, but Here’s Why his Critics Think So” *Commonweal* 144/8 (May 19, 2017): 19-21. [E]
- “Gifts and Calling: Coming to Terms with Jews as Covenantal Partners,” *Studies in Christian-Jewish Relations* 12/1 (2017). [S]
- “The Sources behind “The Gifts and the Calling of God Are Irrevocable” (Rom 11:29): A Reflection on Theological Questions Pertaining to Catholic-Jewish Relations on the Occasion of the 50th Anniversary of *Nostra Aetate* (No. 4),” *Studies in Christian-Jewish Relations* 12/1 (2017). [S]
- “Celebrating a 50 Year ‘Journey of Friendship’ between Catholics and Jews in Philadelphia” (with Adam Gregerman), *Connections*, Association of Jesuit Colleges and Universities, January, 2015. [E]
- “Giving Thanks for a New Jewish-Catholic Relationship in Our Time” (Op-ed, with Adam Gregerman), *The Jewish Exponent*, November 26, 2014. [E]
- “Implications of Paul’s Hopes for the End of Days for Jews and Christians Today: A Critical Re-evaluation of the Evidence” (with Mark Nanos), *Studies in Christian-Jewish Relations* 9/1 (2014) [S].
- “‘God Holds the Jews Most Dear’: Learning to Respect Jewish Self-Understanding,” in Gilbert Rosenthal, ed., *A Jubilee for All Time: The Copernican Revolution in Jewish-Christian Relations* (Eugene, OR: Wipf and Stock, 2014), 44-58. [S]
- “Celebrating Judaism as a ‘Sacrament of Every Otherness,’” Kristen Colberg and Robert Krieg, eds., *The Theology of Cardinal Walter Kasper: Speaking Truth in Love* (St. John’s MN: Liturgical Press, 2014), 223-240. [S]
- “Building a New Relationship: A Catholic Perspective,” Franklin Sherman, ed., *Bridges: Documents of the Christian-Jewish Dialogue*. Volume Two. *Building a New Relationship (1986-2013)* (New York/Mahwah: Paulist Press/Stimulus Books, 2014), 15-38. [S]
- “Time for Serious Conversation between Christians and Jews (Op-ed), *The Jewish Exponent*, December 18, 2013. [E]
- “Reviving the Catholic Observance of the Feast of the Circumcision of Jesus,” in Celia Deutsch, Eugene J. Fisher, and A. James Rudin, eds., *Toward the Future: Essays on Catholic-Jewish Relations in Memory of Rabbi Leon Klenicki*, eds. (New York/Mahwah: Stimulus Books/Paulist Press, 2013), 129-146. [S]
- “Judaism” (with Jan Katzew) in Pim Valkenberg, ed., *World Religions in Dialogue: A Comparative Theological Approach* (Winona, MN: Anselm Academic, 2013): 7-76.
- “A Catholic Theology of the Land?: The State of the Question,” *Studies in Christian-Jewish Relations* 8/1(2013): 1-15. [S] <http://ejournals.bc.edu/ojs/index.php/scjr/article/view/5182/4666>
- “Pope Francis and the Future of Catholic-Jewish Relations” (op-ed), *The Jewish Exponent*, March 20, 2013.

- “The Vatican’s Strong Defense of the Jews” (with Eric Greenberg), *Religion News Service*, January 28, 2013. [E]
- “Themes in Catholic Post-*Nostra Aetate* Theology,” *Current Dialogue* 53 (December 2012):10-20.[S]
- “A Tectonic Shift in Relations with Non-Catholics: Witnessing a Transformation,” William Madges and Michael J. Daley, eds., *Vatican II: Fifty Personal Stories* (Maryknoll, NY: Orbis Press, 2012), 183-187. [S]
- “Discerning the ‘Stumbling Block,’” Cardinal Koch Symposium. *Studies in Christian-Jewish Relations*, May 2012. [S]
- “Review Symposium: *Christ Jesus and the Jewish People Today: New Explorations of Theological Interrelationships*: Response from the American Editors,” *Horizons* 39/1 (March 2012): 116-118.
- “Paul’s Letters and the Relationship between the People of Israel and the Church Today,” Reimund Bieringer and Didier Pollefeyt, eds., *Paul and Judaism: Crosscurrents in Pauline Exegesis and the Study of Jewish-Christian Relations* (London/New York: T & T Clark, 2012), 141-162. [S]
- “The Problem with Daniel Pearl’s Mormon Baptism,” *Religion News Service*, March 2, 2012. [E]
- “The Road Behind and the Road Ahead: Catholicism and Judaism,” in James Heft, ed., *Catholicism and Interreligious Dialogue* (New York: Oxford University Press, 2011), 23-42. [S]
- “Education Guide for ‘A Time for Recommitment: Building the New Relationship between Jews and Christians,’” an online resource on the website of the International Council of Christians and Jews ([www.iccj.org](http://www.iccj.org)), co-edited with Deborah Weissman with original materials prepared by Steven Copeland, October 2011-February 2012. This includes an essay, “Paul’s Profound Identity as a Jew of His Day.” <http://www.iccj.org/index.php?id=3479>
- “Catholic-Jewish Relations: How Far We’ve Come, How Far We’ve Yet To Go” (with Eric Greenberg), *Religion News Service*, *The Huffington Post*, August 31, 2011. [E]
- “The Road to Reconciliation: A Catholic Perspective: 1965-1985,” in Franklin Sherman, ed., *Bridges: Documents of the Christian-Jewish Dialogue*. Volume One. *The Road to Reconciliation (1945-1985)* (New York/Mahwah: Paulist Press/Stimulus Books, 2011): 13-26. [S]
- “The Triune One, the Incarnate Logos, and Israel’s Covenantal Life” (with Didier Pollefeyt) in Philip A. Cunningham, Joseph Sievers, Mary C. Boys, Hans Hermann Henrix, and Jesper Svartvik, eds., *Christ Jesus and the Jewish People Today: New Explorations of Theological Interrelationships*, (Grand Rapids, MI: William P. Eerdmans Publishing and Rome: Gregorian & Biblical Press, 2011), 183-201. [S]
- “Jews and Christians from the Time of Christ to Constantine’s Reign,” in Albert Lindemann and Richard Levy, eds., *Antisemitism: A History* (New York/Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2010), 47-62. [S/E]
- “John Paul II, Lower Manhattan and the Power of Religious Symbolism,” *The Jewish Exponent*, Sept 16, 2010. [E]
- “Yom Hashoah Holds Meaning for Christian Community, Too,” *The Jewish Exponent*, Apr 15, 2010. [E]
- Response to Bolton’s ‘Contesting the Covenants,’” *Journal of Ecumenical Studies*, 45/2 (Spring 2010): 299-300. [S]

- "Pope's Visit to the Rome Synagogue: It's Part of a Continuing Journey," *The Jewish Exponent*, Feb 4, 2010. [E]
- "Official Ecclesial Documents to Implement the Second Vatican Council on Relations with Jews: Study Them, Become Immersed in Them, and Put Them into Practice," *Studies in Christian-Jewish Relations*, Oct. 2009. [S] <http://escholarship.bc.edu/scjr/vol4/iss1/24>
- "Jews and Christians Must Persevere in Lifting Their Voices in Dialogue," *The Jewish Exponent*, Sept. 10, 2009. [E]
- "Understanding – and Misunderstanding – the Papal Visit to the Jewish State" (with Ruth Langer, *The Jewish Exponent*, May 21, 2009. [E]
- "'No Religion is an Island': Catholic and Jewish Theologies of Each Other," *Modern Judaism*, 29/1 (Feb 2009): 27-33. [S]
- "Uncharted Waters: The Future of Catholic-Jewish Relations," *Commonweal*, July 14, 2006. [E]
- "A Response to Michael S. Kogan Concerning "Reflections on Covenant and Mission," *Journal of Ecumenical Studies* 41/2 (Spring 2004): 272-274. [S]
- "A Covenantal Christology," *Studies in Christian-Jewish Relations*, Vol. 1 (2005-2006): 41-52. [S]
- "Nostra Aetate: A Catholic Act of Metanoia," in Anthony Cernera, ed., *Examining Nostra Aetate After 40 Years: Catholic-Jewish Relations in Our Time* (Fairfield, CT: Sacred Heart University Press, 2007). [S]
- Articles for *A Dictionary of Jewish-Christian Relations* (Cambridge Univ. Press, 2005): "Biblical Criticism;" "Biblical Theology;" "Cross/Crucifix;" "Jewish-Christians relations, Centres of;" and "Textbooks." [S]
- "The Gospels" in Richard S. Levy and Robert Levy, eds., *Antisemitism: A Historical Encyclopedia of Prejudice and Persecution* (2 vols; Santa Barbara, CA: ABC-Clio Press, 2005). [S]
- "Nostra Aetate After 40 Years," *Midstream* (Sept/Oct 2005):12-13. [E]
- "Reflections from a Roman Catholic on a Reform Theology of Christianity," *CCAR Journal, A Reform Jewish Quarterly* (spring, 2005):61-73. [S]
- "Covenant and Conversion," in Mary C. Boys, ed., *Seeing Judaism Anew: Christianity's Sacred Obligation* (Lanham, MD: Rowman & Littlefield, 2005):151-162. [S]
- "Foreword" to the revised and expanded edition of Edward H. Flannery, *The Anguish of the Jews: Twenty-Three Centuries of Antisemitism* (Paulist Press/Stimulus Books, 2004). [S/E]
- "Introduction: The Passion - What's at Stake for Christians and Jews?" and "A Challenge to Catholic Teaching" in Philip A. Cunningham, ed., *Pondering the Passion: What's at Stake for Christians and Jews?* (Franklin, WI and Chicago: Sheed & Ward, 2004). [S]
- "Much Will Be Required of the Person Entrusted with Much: Assembling a Passion Drama from the Four Gospels" in *Perspectives on The Passion of the Christ* (New York: Miramax Books, 2004): 49-64. [S]
- "Christians and Jews: Children of a Covenanting God," *The Living Light* (Spring 2004):46-60. [E]
- "A Dangerous Fiction," *America* 190/12 (April 5, 2004): 8-11. [E]

- "Gibson's Limited Vision Often at Odds with Bible," *The Irish Echo*, 78/9 (Mar. 3-9. 2004): 15. [E]
- "Pondering the Passion," *The Anglican Theological Review*, 86/2 (Spring 2004): 323-333. [S]
- "The Arrest and Sentencing of Jesus: A Historical Reconstruction," *Journal of Religion and Society*, Vol. 6 (2004) [S]:
- "Actualizing Matthean Christology in a Post-Supersessionist Church," in *When Judaism and Christianity Began: Essays in Memory of Anthony J. Saldarini* (Leiden and Boston: E.J. Brill, 2004): 563-576. [S]
- "Theology's 'Sacred Obligation': A Reply to Cardinal Dulles on Evangelization," with Mary C. Boys and John T. Pawlikowski, *America*, 187/1 (Oct. 21, 2002): 12-16. [E]
- "Liturgical Readings of the Passion Project," analysis and lections composed by the Continuing Seminar on Biblical Issues in Jewish-Christian Relations of the Catholic Biblical Association of America, convened with J. Clabeaux.
- "Implications for Magisterial Catholic Teaching on Jews and Judaism", in Stephen Pope and Charles Hefling, eds., *Sic et Non: Encountering Dominus Iesus* (Maryknoll, NY: Orbis Books, 2002): 134-149. [S]
- "Translating and Excerpting the Johannine Passion Narrative for Liturgical Proclamation" in *The SIDIC Review*, 34/3 and 35/1 (2001-2002): 8-18. [S]
- "Do Jews and Christians Worship the Same God?" (with Jan Katzew) in *Irreconcilable Differences? A Learning Resource for Jews and Christians* (Boulder, CO: Westview Press, 2001): 33-51. [S/E]
- "Die Darstellung des Judentums in den synoptischen Evangeliein", in *Studien zu einer neutestamentlichen Hermeneutik nach Auschwitz*, eds., Peter Fiedler and Gerhard Dautzenberg, hrsg. (Stuttgart: Verlag Katholisches Bibelwerk GmbH, 1999): 53-88. [S]
- "Jews and Judaism in Catholic Religion Textbooks: Progress, Problems, and Recommendations," in *Removing Anti-Judaism from the New Testament*, eds. Howard Clark Kee and Irvin J. Borowsky (Philadelphia: American Interfaith Institute, 1998) 134-142. [S]
- "New Stories for a New Relationship," *Religious Education*, 91/4 (Fall, 1996) 512-518. [S]
- "Romans 9-11 and Modern Jewish-Catholic Relations: Reflections in Honor of the 30th Anniversary of *Nostra Aetate*," *Professional Approaches for Christian Educators*, 25, Oct 1995: 3-10; Nov 1995: 3-9. [E]
- "Catechesis and the Crucifixion: An Exegetical, Interfaith, and Pastoral Concern," *The Priest* (April, 1995) 11-14. [E]
- "The Synoptic Gospels and Their Presentation of Judaism," in David P. Efroymson, Eugene Fisher, & Leon Klenicki, eds., *Within Context: Essays on Jews & Judaism in the New Testament* (Liturgical Press, 1993) 41-66. [S]
- "Jews and Judaism in Catholic Religion Textbooks: Progress, Problems, and Recommendations," *Professional Approaches for Christian Educators*, 22 (Dec, 1992) 17-21. [S/E]
- "To Know Him is to Love Him," *Religion Teachers' Journal*, 23/4 (Sept, 1989) 8-9. [E]
- *The Apostle Paul: His Mission and Message* (Milwaukee: Hi-Time, 1987) [A six-week high-school curriculum]. [E]

## BOOK REVIEWS

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- Amy-Jill Levine, *Short Stories by Jesus: The Enigmatic Parables of a Controversial Rabbi* in *Horizons, The Journal of the College Theology Society*, 43/1 (June 2016): 149-153.
- Mark Braverman, *A Wall in Jerusalem: Hope, Healing, and the Struggle for Justice in Israel and Palestine* in *Studies in Christian-Jewish Relations* 9/1 (2014).
- George Smiga, *The Gospel of John Set Free: Preaching without Anti-Judaism*, forthcoming in *Seminary Journal*, Spring 2009.
- Phillip Sigal, *The Halakhah of Jesus of Nazareth According to the Gospel of Matthew*, forthcoming in the *Journal of Ecumenical Studies*.
- Jeremy Cohen, *Christ Killers: The Jews and the Passion from the Bible to the Big Screen*, forthcoming in *Catholic Biblical Quarterly*
- Marcus J. Borg and John Dominic Crossan, *The Last Week: A Day-by-Day Account of Jesus' Final Week in Jerusalem* in *Catholic Biblical Quarterly*. 68 (2005): 754-765.
- Reader evaluation of manuscript for *Friends on the Way: Jesuits Encounter Contemporary Judaism* for Fordham University Press, May 31, 2006.
- Michael Wyschogrod, *Abraham's Promise: Judaism and Jewish-Christian Relations* in *Studies in Christian-Jewish Relations*, Vol 1, 2005-2006.
- "Gibson's *The Passion of the Christ: A Challenge to Catholic Teaching*," in Philip A. Cunningham, ed., *Pondering the Passion: What's at Stake for Christians and Jews?* (Franklin, WI and Chicago: Sheed & Ward, 2004), 143-156.
- James Carroll, *Constantine's Sword: The Church and the Jews: A History* in *The SIDIC Review*, 34/2 (2001).
- Tikva Frymer-Kensky, David Novak, Peter Ochs, David Fox Sandmel, Michael A. Signer, eds., *Christianity in Jewish Terms* in *The SIDIC Review*, 34/1 (2001): 28-29.
- Frank E. Eakin, Jr., *What Price Prejudice? – Christian Antisemitism in America* in *Cross Currents*, Winter, 1999.
- Jacob Neusner, *A Rabbi Talks With Jesus: An Intermillennial, Interfaith Exchange* in *New Theology Review*, 9/1 (Feb, 1996) 101-103.

## HONORS AND AWARDS

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- Doctor of Humane Letters, *honoris causa*, Gratz College, Melrose Park, PA, May 21, 2017.
- "Peace and Dialogue Award" for Promoting Interfaith Understanding, The Dialogue Forum and the Peace Islands Institute, Philadelphia, PA, Apr 23, 2014.
- "Lester Gilson Memorial Community Service Award," South Area Solomon Schechter Day School, Boston, MA, March 11, 2007.