

CATHOLIC THEOLOGICAL UNION AT CHICAGO



THE FIFTY-FIRST ANNUAL COMMENCEMENT

THURSDAY, THE TWENTY-THIRD OF MAY
TWO THOUSAND NINETEEN
THREE IN THE AFTERNOON

K.A.M. ISAIAH ISRAEL CONGREGATION

THE GRADUATION

PRELUDEChicago Brass Ensemble

(Please stand.)

PROCESSION OF COLORS

The flag of the United States leads the procession and is followed by flags representing the countries and territories of which the graduates are citizens or residents. The flags and their bearers are: Matthew Joseph Brady, United States; Gustavo Amell Sanes, ST, Colombia; Worku Yohannes Gebre, Ethiopia; Augustine Koomson, Ghana; Patrick Saint-Jean, SJ, Haiti; Leonardus Hambur, OSM, Indonesia; Faris Najor, OFM Cap, Iraq; Mumbi Kigutha, CPPS, Kenya; Ramon Flores Duarte, Mexico; Peter Muojekwu, Nigeria; Deogratias Mbonyumugenzi, Rwanda; Muhammed Aslan, Turkey; Jane Frances Nabakaawa, DM, Uganda, and Darren Robert Dunstan Maslen, SSS, United Kingdom.

Other countries and territories represented by our graduates: Benin, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, India, Ireland, Italy, Peru, Philippines, and Vietnam.

THE PLATFORM PARTY

The Most Reverend Robert W. McElroy, Recipient, Doctorate in Theology, *honoris causa*
Sr. Carol Keehan, DC, Recipient, Doctorate in Ministry, *honoris causa*
Rev. Kurt F. Hartrich, OFM, Chair, Board of Trustees
Rev. Mark R. Francis, CSV, President
Dr. Regina Wolfe, Interim Vice President and Academic Dean

CHANCELLOR: Rev. Donald P. Senior, CP, President Emeritus

MARSHALS: Maria Cimperman, RSCJ, and Dr. Carmen Nanko-Fernández

WELCOMERev. Mark R. Francis, CSV, President

HYMN“A Hymn For Rejoicing”



1. To - day is a day for re - joic - ing, for ex - ul - tant ex - u - ber - ant praise,
2. To - day is a day for re - joic - ing, for pro - claim - ing to cap - tives re - lease,
3. To - day is a day for re - joic - ing, for re - call - ing to mind as we walk
4. To - day is a day for re - joic - ing, In the Spi - rit, re - deem - er and guide,



For the gen - er - ous God of Cre - a - tion In great kind - ness en - liv - ens our days.
For un - furl - ing the stan - dards of jus - tice, For pa - rad - ing the gar - lands of peace.
That the shep - herd of Is - ra - el's hist' - ry Is the shep - herd still guard - ing the flock.
In the God of on - go - ing cre - a - tion, In the Christ who has suf - fered and died.



From the store - house of heav - en - ly rich - es God is spread - ing a ta - ble so wide
Not con - tent to ob - serve from a dis - tance, God has joined in the fes - ti - val throng
God is call - ing forth peo - ple to ser - vice And is shap - ing their hearts with a Word
Till the cor - ners of earth shall re - ech - o With the song ring - ing forth from this place:



That the hun - gri - est hearts shall be sat - ed and the thirst - i - est souls sa - tis - fied.
Fel - low pil - grim with us on the jour - ney; Not a - head, but be - side and a - mong.
And a Wis - dom so deep - ly com - pel - ling That their ac - tions em - bo - dy their Lord.
That to - day is a day for re - joic - ing In the God who in - ha - bits our praise.

(Please be seated.)

Representative of the Graduates Mumbi Kigutha, CPPS
Presentation of the Graduates . . Dr. Regina Wolfe, Interim Vice President and Academic Dean
Conferral of Degrees Rev. Mark R. Francis, CSV, President

THE CANDIDATES*

CERTIFICATE IN BIBLICAL SPIRITUALITY

Mary Therese Krueger

CERTIFICATE IN BLACK THEOLOGY AND MINISTRY

Shannon Ambroise

CERTIFICATE IN INTERCULTURAL STUDIES AND MINISTRY

Matteo Luison, CS, *in absentia*
Cathriona O' Mahony, *in absentia*

CERTIFICATE IN LITURGICAL STUDIES

Carlos A. Roman

CERTIFICATE IN MISSION STUDIES

Jonathan Richard Hill, MM, *in absentia*
Gregory McPhee, MM, *in absentia*
Charles Moat Jr., SVD
Bau Van Nguyen, SVD
Victorin Ouwakpare Oussoi, SVD

CERTIFICATE IN PASTORAL STUDIES

Maryellen Harrington, *in absentia*
Mumbi Kigutha, CPPS
Carlos A. Roman
Patrick Saint-Jean, SJ

CERTIFICATE IN SPIRITUALITY

Ramon Flores Duarte

MASTER OF ARTS IN HISPANIC THEOLOGY AND MINISTRY

Paz Vital, OSB
Michael Warner, *in absentia*

MASTER OF ARTS IN INTERCULTURAL STUDIES AND MINISTRY

Anish Cleetus Palliyil
Beyene Ashebo Hewando
Elsa Loekito, *in absentia*

MASTER OF ARTS IN JUSTICE MINISTRY

Mumbi Kigutha, CPPS

Fernando Rayas

MASTER OF ARTS IN LITURGICAL MINISTRY

Roxanne Tozier, *in absentia*

Victoria A. Zibell

MASTER OF ARTS IN SPIRITUAL MINISTRY

Anne Marie Fuller, *in absentia*

MASTER OF ARTS IN PASTORAL STUDIES

Maria Guadalupe Aguilera

Shannon Ambroise

Cynthia Marie Cooper

Megan E. Schlegel De Leon

Deacon Franco Foti

Taylor Groenke

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Faris Najor, OFM Cap

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Shannon W. Schmidt

Willa Shegog-Neely

MASTER OF ARTS

Muhammed Aslan

Matthew Joseph Brady

Deogratias Mbonyumugenzi

Victorin Ouwakpare Oussoi, SVD

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Emilia Walasik

MASTER OF DIVINITY

Gustavo Amell Sanes, ST

Eric Brunter, *in absentia*

Fred Cabras, OFM Cap

Adriana Calzada, *in absentia*

Dillon Chitto

Casey Cole, *in absentia*

Manuel Trey Crespo, III MS

Nicholas M. Divine, CP

Brenton Ertel, OFM Cap

Ramon Flores Duarte, ST

Michael Groark, OFM Cap

Leonardus Hambur, OSM

Jonathan R. Hill, MM, *in absentia*

Gregory McPhee, MM, *in absentia*

Charles A. Moat Jr., SVD

Sebastianus Soy Mulu, OSM

Jordan Samuel Neeck, O. Praem, *in absentia*

Bau Van Nguyen, SVD

Victorin Ouwakpare Oussoi, SVD

Carlos A. Roman

Patrick Saint-Jean, SJ

DOCTOR OF MINISTRY

Janice J. Brown, OP
Apostolic Women Religious in the United States and Their Legacy

Willie Robert Cobb, Jr.
The Spirituality of Fatherhood

Rev. Diane Reneé Schmit Dardón, ELCA
A Quest for Koinonia: Uncovering Spiritual Practice that may Inspire and Promote Unity among Christians within the Academy

Jan Rudolf Flaska, *in absentia*
The Wisdom of Silence

Worku Yohannes Gebre, OFM Cap
The Educational Challenges of School Principals: A Study of Capuchin Friars Working as School Principals in Ethiopia

Donald Harold James Hermann
Sharing the Eucharist: Anglican Participation in Roman Catholic Liturgies

Augustine Koomson
Evangelization: Towards a Practical Theological Response to Campus Ministry at the University Of Cape Coast in the 21st Century

Mark J. Laboe
Vocation as a Focus for Mission Effectiveness with Mid-Level Leaders at a Catholic University

Darren Robert Dunstan Maslen, SSS
Gift of Self - A New Way: To what extent does the Perception of St. Peter Julian Eymard's Practical Theology contribute to the Congregation and Aggregation of the Blessed Sacrament?

Diane Mercadante
Embodied Contemplative Practices Within a High School Religion Curriculum

Megan C. Mio
Assessing the Value of Building Intercultural Competence for Ministers (USCCB) as a Resource for Preparing White Ministers for Accompanying Latin@ Communities

Peter Muojekwu
Mmanwa Ritual in Igboland: Lessons and Implications for Inculturation and Christian - Muslim Dialogue in Nigeria

Sr. Jane Frances Nabakaawa, DM
Towards the Spirituality of Oneness: A Remedy to the Attitude of 'We Versus Them,' A Case of the Turkana and Pokot Communities in Lodwar and Kitale Catholic Dioceses, Kenya

Ann Nguyen Thi Ngoc Diep, OP
Domestic Violence in Vietnam: A Pastoral Program to Equip Church Ministers for Accompaniment

Matthew Sean O'Donnell
Building Community for the Renewal of Mission in Chicago's Catholic Parishes: The Wisdom of the Black Catholic Experience for Renew My Church

Virginus Onyekachi Osuagwu, SDS
The Role of the Roman Catholic Catechists in Shaping Adolescents Equipped to Address De-Womanization in Igbo Culture of Nigeria

Victor E. Puscas, Jr.
Andragogy and the Most Effective Means of Forming Permanent Deacons in the Latin Rite of the Roman Catholic Church in the Twenty-First Century in the United States

Kathleen M. Van Duser
Improving Accompaniment Practices by Roman Catholic Chaplains for Native Americans in a Health Care Setting

Julie Michelle Welborn
The Role of Storytelling as a Pathway to Healing in Retreat Settings for High School Youth

DOCTOR OF THEOLOGY, *honoris causa*

The Most Reverend Robert W. McElroy

Presentation of the Citation Dr. Steven P. Millies
Response The Most Reverend Robert W. McElroy

DOCTOR OF MINISTRY, *honoris causa*

Sr. Carol Keehan, DC

Presentation of the Citation Dr. C. Vanessa White
Response Sr. Carol Keehan, DC

(Please stand.)

CONCLUDING RITES

HYMN “Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service”

Verse 1

Lord whose love in humble service
Bore the weight of human need,
Who upon the cross, forsaken,
Offered mercy's perfect deed:
We, your servants, bring the worship
Not of voice alone, but heart,
Consecrating to your purpose
Ev'ry gift that you impart.

Verse 2

Still the children wander homeless,
Still the hungry cry for bread.
Still the captives long for freedom,
Still in grief we mourn our dead:
As you, Lord, in deep compassion,
Healed the sick and freed the soul,
Use the love your Spirit kindles
Still to save and make us whole.

Verse 3

As we worship, grant us vision,
Till your love's revealing light
In its height and depth and greatness
Dawns upon our human sight,
Making known the needs and burdens
Your compassion bids us bear,
Stirring us to faithful service,
Your abundant life to share.

PRAYER FOR FAMILY, FRIENDS, AND THE CTU COMMUNITY. Graduates

I thank my God every time I remember you,
constantly praying with joy in every one
of my prayers for all of you,
because of your sharing in the Gospel
from the first day until now.
And this is my prayer,

That your love may overflow more and more
with knowledge and full insight
to help you to determine what is best,
so that in the day of Christ you may be pure
and blameless,
having produced the harvest of righteousness
that comes through Jesus Christ for the glory
and praise of God.

BLESSING OF THE GRADUATES Rev. Mark R. Francis, CSV

The assembly is invited to extend both hands over the graduates.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN “Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service”

Verse 4

Called from worship into service,
Forth in your great name we go
To the child, the youth, the aged,
Love in living deeds to show.

Hope and health, goodwill and comfort,
Counsel, aid, and peace we give
That your children, Lord, in freedom,
May your mercy know, and live.

RECESSIONAL Chicago Brass Ensemble

The Most Reverend Robert W. McElroy, Doctorate in Theology, *honoris causa*

The Most Reverend Robert W. McElroy received his undergraduate education at Harvard University and received a master's degree in American history from Stanford University in 1976. He entered the seminary for the Archdiocese of San Francisco and was ordained a priest in 1980. He then received a doctorate in moral theology from Gregorian University in Rome and a doctorate in political science from Stanford University.

Bishop McElroy is recognized for his efforts as bishop to initiate data-driven transparency, dialogue, and action on behalf of victims of sexual abuse by priests in the San Diego area and for his work with the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB).

He has served the Archdiocese of San Francisco as vicar general and as a pastor, and in 2010 Pope Benedict appointed him auxiliary bishop of San Francisco. Within five years, Pope Francis appointed him bishop of San Diego. Bishop McElroy currently serves on the USCCB committees on domestic justice, international justice, and ecumenism.

Bishop McElroy has written two books: *The Search for an American Public Theology* and *Morality and American Foreign Policy*.

Sr. Carol Keehan, DC, Doctorate in Ministry, *honoris causa*

Sr. Carol Keehan, a Daughter of Charity, will retire as the President and CEO of the Catholic Health Association of the United States in Washington, DC, after fourteen years. She earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Nursing from St. Joseph's College in Emmitsburg, Maryland, and a Master of Science degree in Business Administration from the University of South Carolina.

She is an advocate of affordable health care, especially for those vulnerable and on the margins of society. Sr. Carol perceives solidarity as the moral foundation for healthcare reform and respect for dignity as the guidepost for the standard of care.

She is currently on the Board of Directors for Georgetown University and has chaired or served on the Board of Directors for St. John's University, Catholic Charities USA, Confederation of Catholic Health Institutions in Vatican City, Catholic Relief Services, *Sojourners*, and many other organizations. She also served on finance committees for the Florida State Human Rights Advocacy Commission, the Archdiocese of Washington, and the Military Archdiocese of the USA.

Sister Carol was awarded the Pro Ecclesia et Pontifice Cross by Pope Benedict XVI. She was named "Person of the Year" by the National Catholic Reporter and one of TIME magazine's "100 Most Influential People in the World," and last year was presented the AHA Award of Honor by the American Hospital Association.

*Listing as "candidate" does not certify graduation. Actual awarding of certificates and degrees is dependent upon the completion of all program requirements. The names as listed reflect student requests.

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