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DOB: 20/08/1992

EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS

2014-2018 Trinity College, University of Oxford

DPhil (i.e. PhD) Theology- Graduated May 2019

Supervisors: Prof. Brian Leftow and Dr William Wood

Title: "Towards a Catholic Epistemology". An attempt to adapt Alvin Plantinga's Reformed Epistemology in the light of recent Catholic criticisms; and to show the precedence for such a religious epistemology in Catholic tradition including in the work of Augustine, Aquinas, and Newman.

2013-2014 Trinity College, University of Oxford

MSt. Philosophical Theology- Pass

Papers taken for examination: History of Philosophical Theology (65%); Philosophy of Religion (67%)

Dissertation on divine simplicity and its compatibility with divine necessity and divine knowledge of contingent truths, with a focus on Scholastic approaches to the problem. (72%)

Academic Prizes (from Trinity College): Austin Farrer Memorial Scholarship (2013), Mitchell Scholarship (2013).

2010-2013 Trinity College, University of Oxford

BA (Hons.) Theology- First Class

Papers taken at Finals: God and Israel in the Old Testament (68%); The Gospels and Jesus (68%); Pauline Literature (65%); The Development of Doctrine in the Church to AD 451 (70%); The History and Theology of Western Christianity 1050-1350 (73%); Further Studies in History and Doctrine (Aquinas) (74%); Philosophy of Religion (67%); God, Christ and Salvation (67%).

Papers taken in Preliminary Examinations: Introducing the New Testament with Special Reference to the Gospel of Mark (70%); The History of the Church from Nero to Constantine (76%); Biblical Hebrew (81%).

Academic Prizes: College Prize (Hilary Term, 2011), College Prize (Trinity Term, 2011), College Exhibition (2011-12), College Scholarship (2012-13)

2003-2012 King Edward's School, Birmingham

A-levels: History (A*), Religious Studies (A*), Latin (A*), Classical Greek (A), General Studies (A)

GCSE's: 8 at A* grade and 2 at A grade including Mathematics, English, and French.

ACADEMIC ARTICLES

- "Is Catholic Faith Worth Having?" Religious Studies (forthcoming)
- "Perfect Being Theology and Analogy" American Catholic Philosophical Quarterly (forthcoming, Winter 2020)
- "Augustine on Faith and Evidence" in *Studia Patrisctica* Vol. C, ed. H.A.G. Houghton, M.L. Davies and M. Vinzent (Peeters, 2020).
- "Aquinas, Instinct and the "Internalist" Justification of Faith" -- New Blackfriars (2019).

ARTICLES UNDER REVIEW

"Simply the Best? The Ontological Argument, Meinongianism, and Classical Theism", under review at Faith and Philosophy

ACADEMIC BOOK REVIEWS

Review of W. Matthews Grant's Free Will and God's Universal Causality: The Dual Sources Account – Religious Studies (2020)

Review of Elmar J. Kremer's Analysis of Existing: Barry Miller's Approach to God - Analytic Theology 3 (2016), co-authored with Luke Martin.

ACADEMIC/CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- "The Role of Evidence in Newman's *Theses de Fide*" National Institute of Newman Studies Conference, Oriel College Oxford (September 2020; postponed to September 2021)
- "Simply the Best? The Ontological Argument, Meinongianism, and Classical Theism" Centre for the Philosophy of Religion Research Seminar, University of Leeds (June 2020)
- "Purgatory: A Marian Account" -- British Society for the Philosophy of Religion Conference, Lady Margaret Hall, Oxford (September 2019)
- "Is Catholic Faith Worth Having?" -- Centre for Catholic Studies Conference, University of Durham (May 2019)
- "A Musical Argument for the Trinity" -- Centre for the Philosophy of Religion Research Seminar, University of Leeds (March 2019)
- "Aquinas, Internalism and the Instinct of Faith" -- Early Career Workshop in Medieval Intellectual History, All Souls College Oxford (March 2018)
- "It is Well with my Soul: Liturgical Music and the Rational Grounding of Faith" -- British Society for the Philosophy of Religion Conference, Oriel College Oxford (September 2017)
- "Augustine on Faith and Evidence" -- Sixth British Patristics Conference, University of Birmingham (September 2016)
- "Reformed Epistemology and the Theological Virtue of Faith: A Reassessment" -- Centre for Catholic Studies Post-Graduate Study Day, University of Durham (June 2015)

EMPLOYMENT/WORK EXPERIENCE

September 2019 -- August 2020

Visiting Lecturer in Theology, Leeds Trinity University.

Responsibilities including designing and teaching modules in Eschatology and Biblical Studies, and supervising undergraduate dissertations in Systematic Theology.

Awarded Prize for Undergraduate Teaching by Leeds Trinity SU (Dec. 2019)

September 2018 -- Present

Co-ordinator for Catechesis (Adult Formation and Research), Catholic Diocese of Leeds (part-time).

Duties include the evaluation, composition and provision of resources for adult formation, and the co-ordination of teaching programmes including the Catholic Certificate in Religious Studies and the Certificate in Pastoral Ministry offered by Loyola University Institute for Pastoral Studies.

June 2018 -- Present

Private tuition in theology/philosophy offered at University level. Teaching has included classes on religious language and analytic theology in preparation for successful applications to Masters degrees at leading universities.

Trinity Term 2016 Taught revision classes in Medieval Theology for Finals students at Oxford

University

2011-2017 St Philip's Books, Oxford: Shop Assistant, duties included selling to customers

and processing/cataloguing books.

Summer 2008 Norfolk Landscape Archaeology, Gressenhall, Norfolk. (Work Experience).

LANGUAGE SKILLS

Good ability to read Latin and Ancient Greek, reasonable ability to read French, and basic understanding of Biblical Hebrew

ACTIVITIES AND INTERESTS

Singing in Trinity College Chapel Choir; participated in choir tours to Vienna (Summer 2012), Venice and Tuscany (Summer 2013), and in recording of Christmas CD; now singing with Leeds Vocal Movement.

Secretary of "Joseph Butler Society" (Oxford University's Philosophy of Religion Society), 2015-2017.

ACADEMIC RESEARCH REFEREES

Prof. Brian Leftow, William P Alston Chair for the Philosophy of Religion Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey bll85@philosophy.rutgers.edu

Prof. William Wood Fellow in Theology, University Lecturer in Philosophical Theology Oriel College, Oxford william.wood@theology.ox.ac.uk

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