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EMPLOYMENT

CHRISTENDOM COLLEGE, Professor of Philosophy, Fall 2009.
Associate Professor of Philosophy, 2002--2009. Assistant
Professor of Philosophy, 1997--2002.

THE CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY OF AMERICA, Washington,
D.C. Lecturer in the School of Philosophy, 1992-1994.

EDUCATION

THE CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY OF AMERICA, Washington,
D.C. School of Philosophy. Ph.D., 1997. M.A., 1992.
Ph.D. dissertation: *Law as an Extrinsic Principle of Action in
Aquinas*.

Director: Russell Hittinger.
M.A. thesis: *The Order of Love in Aquinas*.

CHRISTENDOM COLLEGE, Front Royal, VA. B.A.
Salutatorian, *Summa cum laude*, 1989.

TEACHING

Courses taught at Christendom College: Introduction to
Philosophy, Logic, Philosophy of Human Nature, Ethics,
Metaphysics, History of Medieval Philosophy, History of Modern
Philosophy, Ethics of St. Thomas Aquinas, The Philosophy of St.
Thomas Aquinas, Society and the Common Good, Contemplation
and the Philosophical Life, Modern Moral Theories, Readings on
Law in Aquinas, Philosophy of Family and Household, Philosophy
of Friendship, Philosophy of God, Recent Philosophy.

WEBSITE/BLOG

Life-Craft.org, a website and blog dedicated to the Philosophy of
Household, featuring a weekly Wednesday Quote with reflection,
as well as other resources. Over 5,000 followers.
My pieces are regularly reposted by: The Institute for Family
Studies, New Advent, Catholic Vote, Catholic Education Resource
Center (CERC) and others.

PUBLICATIONS

True Friendship: Where Virtue Becomes Happiness. San Francisco: Ignatius Press, 2021, which is a re-publishing of *Friendship: The Art of Happiness*, 2003.

“Reclaiming the Household,” *First Things* (print edition), November 2018

“Killing the Animals We Eat,” (chapter) in *Localism in the Mass Age*. Cascade Books, 2018.

“Technology as a Threat to Ordinary Human Life in Households Today,” *Quaestiones Disputatae*, Issue 8, No. 1 (Fall 2017): 87-91.

“Reflections of a Green Thomist on Pope Francis’s *Laudato Si*,” *Nova et Vetera*, English Edition, Vol. 14, No. 3 (2016): 735-744.

“Restoring Land Stewardship through Household Prudence,” in *On Earth as It Is in Heaven*, ed. David Meconi, SJ. Grand Rapids, MI: Eerdmans, 2016.

“Ordered Inclinations,” in *Philosophical Virtues and Psychological Strengths*. Ed. Romanus Cessario, O.P. Manchester, NH: Sophia Institute Press, 2013.

“Renewing Husbandry: Wendell Berry, Aristotle, and Thomas Aquinas on ‘Economics’,” *Nova et Vetera*, English Edition, Vol. 10, No. 1 (2012): 121-34.

“Law, Pinckaers, and the Definition of Ethics,” *Nova et Vetera*, English Edition, Vol. 7, No. 2 (2009): 301-26.

“Yves R. Simon on Willing the Common Good” in *Maritain and America*. Ed. Christopher Cullen, S.J., Washington, D.C.: The Catholic University Press, 2009.

“A Free Culture: Living the Primacy of the For-Itself” in *The Human Person and a Culture of Freedom*. Ed. Peter Pagan, Washington, D.C.: The Catholic University Press, 2009.

“Truth and Friendship: The Importance of the Conversation of Friends,” in *Truth Matters*. Ed. John G. Trapani. Washington, D.C.: The Catholic University Press, 2004.

Review of James F. Keenan, S.J., *Goodness and Rightness in Thomas Aquinas's Summa Theologiae*. (Washington, D.C.: Georgetown University Press, 1992) in *The Thomist* Vol. 58, No. 2, April 1994.

Review of Paul J. Wadell, *Friendship and the Moral Life* in *The Review of Metaphysics* Vol. XLVI, No. 4, June 1993.

VIDEO COURSES

True Friendship (2012) and *The Ethics of Aristotle* (2014) Catholic Courses by St. Benedict's Press. Charlotte, North Carolina.

ACADEMIC LECTURES (a few selections)

"Household as Key to the Greater Common Good" at the "What is the Common Good?" Thomistic Circles Conference, Dominican House of Studies, Washington D.C., February 2021

"Spiritual Friendship: An Image of Eternity" the Bl. Alcuin of York lecture for the Alcuin Institute for Catholic Culture in Tulsa, Oklahoma, October 2020

"The Common Thread of Land Stewardship and Real Community Life: Cooperation, not Competition," To Keep and Till the Earth: The Evolving Theology of Creation, a conference at St. Paul Seminary School of Divinity, St. Paul, Minnesota, June 2014

"The Dependence of Moral Reasoning on Understanding the Natural World," Nature as Norm, a conference at St. Paul Seminary School of Divinity, St. Paul, Minnesota, June 2011

"Renewing Husbandry: Wendell Berry, Aristotle and Thomas Aquinas," Renewing the Face of the Earth: The Church and the Order of Creation, a conference at St. Paul Seminary School of Divinity, St. Paul, Minnesota, October 2009

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS (a few recent selections)

"Is My Money Mine? The Challenge of the Catholic Teaching on Wealth," LEGATUS, Raleigh, North Carolina, September 2022

"Animating Your Home with Leisure" The Prairie Troubadour, Ft. Scott, Kansas, February 2022

"Go to Joseph: A Biblical Reflection for the Year of St. Joseph" Institute of Catholic Culture (ICC) online webinar Lecture, June 2021

“Friendship and Social Media: Is Virtuous Virtual Friendship Possible?” Thomistic Institute, Livestream lecture, April 2021

“Friendship: An Incredible Source of Happiness” Two-day online Christian Witness Seminar, Lismullin Institute, Ireland, February 2021

“Authentic Male Friendship: The Need and the Challenge” online national Virtual Catholic Conference, February 2021

“Is My Money Mine? The Challenge of Catholic Teaching on Wealth,” LEGATUS, San Diego, January 2020

“Forming an Intentional Household: Living the Primacy of Relationships in the Home,” Tulsa, OK June 2019

“Fostering Chaste Friendships,” Truth and Love Conference, sponsored by COURAGE International, Bloomfield, Connecticut, October 2018

“The Art of Dying: Living in Conversation with the Lord” Institute of Catholic Culture, St. Agnes, Arlington, VA July 2018

“Christian Friendship: The Role of Human Friendship in the Spiritual Life,” sponsored by The Thomistic Institute and UVA Campus Ministry, University of Virginia, Charlottesville, VA, November 2017

“Is My Money Mine? The Challenge of Catholic Teaching on Wealth,” LEGATUS, Jacksonville, FL, November 2017

“The Nature and Importance of Friendship,” United States Naval Academy, Annapolis, MD, October 2017

“Friendship: The Beginning, Means, and End of Evangelization,” The Augustine Institute, Denver, CO, September 2016

“Challenges in Friendship Today,” Franciscan University of Steubenville, Steubenville, OH, September 2016

“The Friendship of Man and Woman according to Aristotle and St. Thomas,” Thomas Aquinas College, California, March 2016

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES and MISCELLANEOUS

Catholic Rural Life, (St. Paul, MN), BOARD OF DIRECTORS, 2019--

Scholar, ANTHROPOLOGY PROJECT (committee of scholars selected to formulate a Christian and Thomistic vision of the human person that might serve to animate the psychological sciences) of The Institute for the Psychological Sciences (Arlington, VA). 2002-2008.

Visiting Scholar, Thomas Institut, Universitaet zu Koeln. Grant from the Hanns Seidel Stiftung, Munich, Germany. December 1994-June 1995.

ADMINISTRATION

Chairman, FACULTY SENATE. Christendom College. Fall 2002 to Spring 2005.

Chairman, PHILOSOPHY DEPARTMENT, Fall 2013 to 2019. Fall 2004 to 2008.

Member, Compensation and Benefits Committee of the Faculty Senate. 1998-2002.

PERSONAL

Married (Sofia (Fedoryka) Cuddeback) with six children and three grandchildren.