



Prof. Joseph P. RIORDAN, S.J.



Education:

- **University of Notre Dame, South Bend, IN**
PhD in Theology, Christianity and Judaism in Antiquity,
May 2019.
Thesis title: "Isaiah Unbound: The Transfiguration of
Zion in Tobit 13-14"
Advisor: Gary Anderson
- **Pontifical Biblical Institute, Rome, Italy**
SSL, June 2012, *magna cum laude*
- **Jesuit School of Theology (GTU), Berkeley, CA**
MDiv/STB, May 2008
- **Fordham University, Bronx, NY**
MA, Philosophy, May 2003
- **Rutgers College, New Brunswick, NJ**
BA, English and Spanish literature, May 1998, *magna cum laude*

Academic Work and experience:

- **Visiting Professor, Pontifical Biblical Institute, Rome, Italy**
(October 2018-June 2019)
Lead a tutorial reading Mark's Gospel in Modern Hebrew (Vangelo di Marco in ebraico moderno) and teach course on prophetic literature (Profezia e canone).
- **Visiting Research Fellow, Hebrew University, Jerusalem, Israel**
(October 2017-June 2018)
Affiliated with the Bible department and hosted by Professor Michael Segal.
- **Docent, Bible Lands Museum, Jerusalem, Israel**
(October 2017-June 2018)
Led tours of the museum's collection of artefacts from Israel and the ANE.
- **Instructor, University of Notre Dame, South Bend, IN**
(Fall 2016)
Taught required introductory course on Bible and early Christianity in theology department (Foundations of Theology).
- **Graduate Assistant, University of Notre Dame, South Bend, IN**
(Fall 2013-Spring 2015)
Graded exams and essays for undergraduate and graduate courses in biblical

studies for Professor Gary Anderson. Also edited scholarly work for publication and guest lectured on select topics.

- **Teaching Fellow, Pontifical Biblical Institute, Rome, Italy**
(Spring 2011-Spring 2012)
Led graduate students in analysis and translation of Hebrew texts (Hebrew C).
- **Instructor, St. Peter's Preparatory School, Jersey City, NJ**
(August 2004-June 2007)
Courses taught: English I, Latin I, Latin II, AP Latin IV: Vergil's Aeneid.
Other activities and service: assistant baseball coach, chess moderator, campus ministry

Publications:

- "ἀγαλλίαμα and the Eschatological Sequence in Tob 13:11 (GII)," in *Studies on Prayer in the Deuterocanonical Books*, eds. Angela Kim Harkins and Barbara Schmitz (Leuven: Peeters) [forthcoming].
- "Of Gods and Men: Creation and Divinity in Deutero-Isaiah and *Enūma Eliš*." *Conversations with the Biblical World* 36 (2016) 59-75.
- "Sin of Omission or Commission: An Insertion in 4QJera?" in *Gottes Wort im Menschenwort: Festschrift für Georg Fischer zum 60. Geburtstag*, eds. Dominik Markl, Simone Paganini, and Claudia Paganini (Frankfurt am Main: Peter Lang, 2014) 99-112.
- Review of John Haughey, ed., *Revisiting the Idea of Vocation: Theological Explorations* (Catholic University Press, 2005; *Conversations on Jesuit Higher Education* 27 (2005) 55-56.

Conference papers and talks:

- "Providence and Polemics: The Second Temple in Tobit and Isaiah." Invited paper presented at the Formation of Isaiah Section of the Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting, Denver, CO, November 18, 2018.
- "ἀγαλλίαμα and the Eschatological Sequence in Tob 13:11 (GII)." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Catholic Biblical Association, Denver, CO, July 29, 2018.
- "Tobit and the Prophets." Paper presented at the MENA Fulbright Colloquium, Rabat, Morocco, April 9, 2018.

- “Restoration Eschatology in Second Temple Literature.” Invited presentation to Fellows Seminar, Tantur Ecumenical Institute, Jerusalem, Israel, December 8, 2017.
- “Light from Light: The Psalm of Tobit and the Vision of Isaiah.” Paper presented at The Power of the Word International Conference V, University of Oxford, Oxford, UK, September 14, 2017.
- “The Biblical Idea of Election and Interreligious Dialogue.” Invited lecture at Libera Università Internazionale degli Studi Sociali Guido Carli, Seminar on Global Governance and Interreligious Dialogue, Rome, Italy, April 27, 2017.
- “Unrolling the Sealed Scroll: The Imprint of Deutero-Isaiah on Tobit 13.” Presentation to the Christianity and Judaism in Antiquity Graduate Colloquium at the University of Notre Dame, South Bend, IN, September 30, 2016.
- “Ríos de agua viva: el AT como fuente y recurso en el trabajo pastoral.” Invited seminar with candidates for the permanent diaconate in the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend, Ligonier, IN, August 6, 2016.
- “Of Gods and Men: Creation and Divinity in Deutero-Isaiah and *Enūma Eliš*.” Paper presented at the Mid-Atlantic Regional Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature, New Brunswick, NJ, March 10, 2016
- “The Work of Many Hands: A Narrative Analysis of 1 Kgs 6:9.14.” Paper presented at the Midwest Regional Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature, Bourbonnais, IL, February 6, 2016.
- “Sin of Omission or Commission: An Insertion in 4QJera?” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Catholic Biblical Association, Providence, RI, July 27, 2014..

Fellowships and awards:

- Fulbright Research Fellowship, Hebrew University, Israel, 2017-2018
- Tantur Ecumenical Institute Doctoral Fellowship, Israel, 2017-2018 (declined)
- University of Notre Dame Graduate School Travel Grants 2014, 2016
- University of Notre Dame’s Center for the Study of Languages and Cultures, Summer Language Fellowship, Israel, 2013
- Comprehensive exams passed with distinction: University of Notre Dame (PhD), Jesuit School of Theology (MDiv), Fordham University (MA)
- Phi Beta Kappa Honor Society, Alpha Chapter of New Jersey, Rutgers College, elected 1998

- Edward J. Bloustein Distinguished Scholar, Fall 1994-Spring 1998

Academic interests

- Deutero-Isaiah and the theology of Zion, Tobit
- Inner-biblical exegesis, reception history, the Bible in its ANE context, theology, textual criticism

Languages

- **Ancient:** Akkadian, Biblical Hebrew, Biblical Aramaic, Greek, Latin
- **Modern:** Spanish, Italian, German, French, Portuguese, Modern Hebrew

Professional Memberships

- Catholic Biblical Association of America (Full Member)
(Elected August 7, 2011)
- Society of Biblical Literature (Full Member)
(Joined December 8, 2010)

Religious life

- Entered Jesuit novitiate at Saint Andrew Hall, Syracuse, NY
(August 22, 1998)
- Professed perpetual vows, Madonna della Strada Chapel, Syracuse, NY
(August 19, 2000)
- Ordained a priest, Loyola University Alumni Chapel, Baltimore, MD
(June 13, 2009)