



Background: Dr. Gwen Adams earned a PhD in Theology at the Maryvale Institute in Birmingham, UK, and an MA in Catholic Studies from the University of St. Thomas, MN. She is experienced in a number of apostolic and academic endeavors, having served as a youth minister, catechist, farm intern, diocesan marriage tribunal advocate, mentor of Catholic undergraduate households, and teacher on the middle-school, high-school, undergraduate, and graduate levels.

Pastoral Theology and Priestly Formation: In addition to working with priests on a parish and diocesan level, Dr. Adams was awarded a British research PhD degree for a multi-disciplinary study on priest-parishioner relationships in the field of pastoral theology. Her master's level work concentrated on the formation of worldview, the role of literature, and the writings of Alasdair MacIntyre. MacIntyre's work also figured largely in her PhD research as she explored priest-parishioner relationships from a Thomistic-Aristotelian perspective. Finally, she is conversant with social science methods, past history and current religious research on the Catholic Church in the United States, and the challenges to priestly formation and support in the 21st century.

Dr. Adams is a visiting lecturer at the Augustine Institute, Denver, CO. In 2018, she is designing and lead-teaching a course on the New Evangelization and Culture. She writes and develops materials for Vianney Vocations, a company which assists vocation directors and serves as the online source for Serra USA products and resources. She is completing her first book, relating interview-based stories and analysis of successful American priest and lay apostolates since Vatican II (forthcoming Augustine Institute Press, Fall 2018).

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