

# THE LOG

## Divine Word College

May 3  
2022

A Bulletin for the Divine Word College Community

Vol. 41 No. 30

### In This Issue:

Awards & Recognition	2
Capstone Presentations	4
New Department Chairs	5
Class of 2022	10
Scholarly Awards	<i>addendum</i>

### Birthday Corner

#### May

- 4 Sr. Thao Thanh Tran, LHC
- 8 Sr. Thao Pham, OP
- 9 Sr. Yvette Muyere Shey, SST
- 12 Dr. Roman Ciapalo
- 15 Sr. Angela Omalo, SON
- 15 Sr. Dien Vu, LHC
- 15 Fr. George Kootappillil, SVD
- 16 Kentory Philippe
- 16 Bro. Vinh Trinh, SVD
- 16 Dr. Ben Winter
- 18 Fr. John Szukalski, SVD
- 20 Sr. Tram Tran, IHM
- 21 Berson Bien-Aime
- 24 Fr. Tom Ascherman SVD
- 25 Ae Pa You Paw ( Mu Mu)
- 26 Sr. Thuy Tran, LHC
- 29 Long Nguyen



See page 14 for  
Summer birthdays

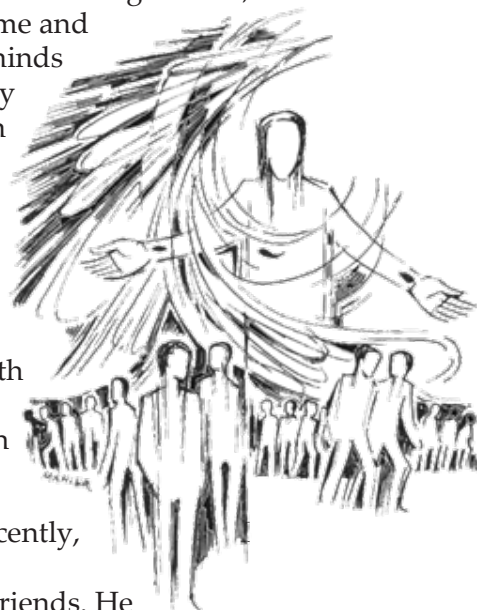
### THE PRESIDENT *Fr. Tom Ascherman, SVD*

#### *An Easter Body*

Your Easter body is bigger than you think! I am not referring to extra calories as a result from a visit from the Easter Bunny. Nor am I thinking about end of the year parties at DWC. I am thinking about the way Jesus' resurrected body gives us a radically different perspective to think of our own bodies.

Three things about Jesus' appearances caught my attention this Easter season.

**First, Jesus eats something.** In Luke's Gospel, when Jesus appears to the disciples on the evening of his resurrection, he says "Peace be with you," but they are still afraid. He encourages them, "Look at my hands and feet...Touch me and see." They almost went out of their minds with joy. Jesus then asks whether they have something to eat. They give him a piece of baked fish that he eats in front of them. With that gesture, Jesus restores fellowship with his friends. So much has happened since he last ate with his disciples, most of it horrendous. When Jesus eats with them again, he is as intimate with them as he was at their last supper. Jesus wants to be touched by them on Easter evening.



At a First Communion celebration recently, told the children that through Holy Communion, Jesus wants to be best friends. He wants to be even closer than a brother or sister. Jesus wants to get into our stuff, and he doesn't mind if we get into his stuff. Jesus body is not out of bounds for us, and our bodies are part of his. We are in communion with Jesus.



**Second, Jesus gives his disciples something to eat.** John's Gospel recalls the time, after the resurrection, that Jesus appeared to Peter, John and the others who had been out fishing. They caught so many fish it was a miracle!

*continued next page*

Jesus prepared a breakfast for them of bread and some of the fish that they had caught. The event has many interpretations, but one clear meaning is that Jesus wants his disciples to stay together and support one another. The huge number of fish shows that the future for the disciples will be filled abundantly. And, Jesus spoke privately with Peter helping him to see that his love for Jesus meant he should take care of the brethren.

Communion with Jesus means a communion with his other followers too. Like Peter, we are called to feed Jesus' sheep. There is plenty of food for everyone, and there are abundant responsibilities too. Jesus continues to gather many followers around his table. Our communion is with all of them.

**Third, the disciples don't recognize Jesus immediately.** The disciples have trouble in recognizing Jesus after his resurrection. In the garden, on the road to Emmaus and at breakfast on the seashore, the disciples are slow to recognize that the person they are dealing with is Jesus. I am reminded of some of the funeral eulogies I have heard. The person who has died might not quite recognize himself or herself in the kind words of family and friends. Death changes our bodies and the way we look upon those who survive us. We don't mean to hide the faults of those who have died, but death readjusts our vision to see more clearly the good and generous things they have done.

Communion with Jesus means a communion with all the saints, for he is one body with all of them. In the slowness of the disciples to recognize that "it is the Lord," we have a hint of how much our bodies will also be changed as we pass through death.

Our Easter bodies are so much bigger than we realize. Living in love with Jesus, with brothers and sisters whom we meet next-door and all around the world, and with Jesus' friends from long ago and long into the future, gives us an idea of the coming transformation awaiting all of us. When I feel hemmed in with too much work or too little enthusiasm, I remind myself that I am already alive forever; and then I ask myself, so what should I do today? Or as we say in the Creed, "I believe in the communion of saints..., the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting."

I remember communion, and ask Jesus to feel free to get into my stuff.

## Awards and Recognition Banquet

On April 28, the DWC community gathered to honor students, faculty and staff who have made exceptional contributions to the life and mission of the College. The principal honors were given to:



**St. Arnold Janssen SVD**  
**Oral Presentation Award**  
*Fr. Englebert Salmon SVD*

The award is given to the student that most eloquently and convincingly answers the question, "what does it mean to be a missionary disciple, today?"



**Fr. Charles Malin SVD**  
**Excellence in Teaching Award**  
*Ms. Michelle Vargo*

The award honors a particular teacher for excellence in teaching. Michelle is our "teacher of the year!"

## DWC Service Awards

### Br. Leonard Bauer SVD Service Award for Students – *Sr. Dieu Tuyet Thi Nguyen LHC.*

The award recognizes graduates who have offered loyal, selfless service to DWC, “beyond the call of duty.” Like Bro. Leonard, Sr. Dieu has helped care for her fellow students, quietly volunteered for many tasks, and made an enormous number of friends during her time at DWC.



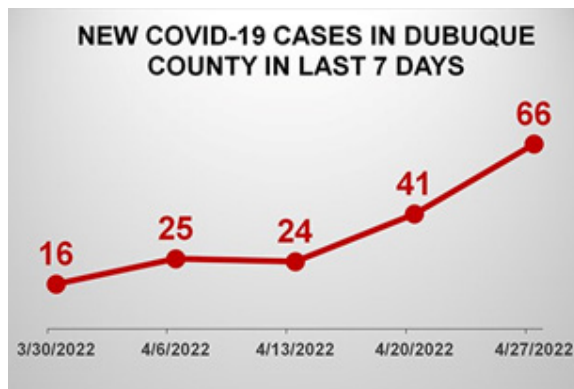
**Bro. Tony Kreinus SVD Service Award for Faculty – *Dr. Seo Hyun Park.*** The “Tony” award is given to a faculty member in recognition of his or her outstanding service to the College and Community. Dr. Park has provided outstanding leadership for the Intensive English Language Institute and has worked tirelessly for student success as instructor and program administrator.



**Donna Puccio Service Award for Staff Members – *Bro. Michael Decker SVD.*** The “Donna” award is given to a staff member for his or her outstanding service to the College community. Bro. Mike has worked with great generosity, grace and dedication especially during the COVID-19 pandemic in his role as Health Services Coordinator.



## COVID-19 Guidance



The number of new cases of COVID-19 detected in Dubuque County has continued to rise. At present, there are approximately nine cases per day in an area of approximately 100,000 inhabitants.

The number of cases remains very low compared to the surge experienced in late January and early February when there were more than 1,000 cases per week (or 147 cases each day)!

In late April, two cases were detected in off-campus employees. Both cases resolved quickly, and no cases were detected in the student body.

## DWC COVID-19 Dashboard 2021-2022

	Number of Tests	New Confirmed Positives	Number Self-Isolated	Number Recovered	Vaccination Completed	Booster
2020-2021	913	50	50	50	129	0
August 1- Dec. 31	506	2	2	2	6	116
Jan. 1 - 31	273	37	37	35	0	6
Feb. 1 - 28	74	4	4	6	2	8
March 1 - 31	170	0	0	0	0	0
April 1 - 30	15	2	2	2	0	20



## VICE PRESIDENT FOR ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

*Fr. John Szukalski, SVD*

### Congratulations May 2022 Graduates!

Listed below are the expected ten graduating students for the Spring 2022 Semester, with corresponding degree major and minor, pending successful completion of any remaining coursework and the attainment of cumulative grade point average (C-GPA) requirements. These students, along with the five graduates from the Fall 2021 Semester, will be officially approved for graduation by the Board of Trustees at its May 2022 meeting.

Congratulations on your hard work, perseverance, and academic success!

Name	Degree	Graduation: May 13, 2022
Sr. Dieu Tuyet Thi Nguyen, LHC-H	BA ICS (Minor THM)	
Mr. Ha Si Bao Nguyen	BA PHI (Minor ICS)	
Mr. Hoang Huy Nguyen	BA PHI (Minor ICS)	
Mr. Quoc Dinh Nguyen	BA PHI (Minor ICS)	
Fr. Vinh Phuc Nguyen, ICM	BA PHI (Minor ICS)	
Sr. Thuan Kim Thi Phan, LHC-V	BA THM (Minor PHI)	
Mr. Nay Kaw Sho	BA PHI (Minor ICS)	
Sr. Tram Thu Thi Tran, IHM	BA ICS (Minor THM)	
Fr. Jean D'Amour Dusengumuremyi	AA ICS	
Fr. Polycarp Khaw Nei Thawng	AA ICS	

### Senior Synthesis Capstone Presentations

Six of nine graduating seniors will present their synthesis capstone projects on Tuesday 3 May and Thursday 5 May 2022 in partial fulfillment of the requirements for earning their respective Bachelor of Arts degrees. Each presentation will last about 20 minutes with up to 10 minutes for follow-up questions and discussion. Capstone presentations provide an opportunity for students to showcase their learning and research in areas of particular interest. Audience participants will have an opportunity to engage presenters in brief meaningful dialogue regarding their capstone projects.

Tuesday May 3, 2022	7:30 p.m.	Main Chapel
---------------------	-----------	-------------

Sr. Ndigue Formilack Magdalene, SST – “Understanding Kant’s Formula of Humanity as an End in the Context of Community Life.”

A Philosophy Capstone Presentation

PHI Capstone Instructor: Dr. Ronald Condon – Assistant Professor of Philosophy

Mr. Peter Quoc Dinh Nguyen – “Responsibility and Community Living, According to Martin Heidegger.”  
A Philosophy Capstone Presentation  
PHI Capstone Instructor: Dr. Ronald Condon – Assistant Professor of Philosophy

Mr. Nay Kaw Sho – “The Ethics of National Borders.”  
A Philosophy Capstone Presentation  
PHI Capstone Instructor: Dr. Ronald Condon – Assistant Professor of Philosophy

**Thursday May 5, 2022**

**7:30 p.m.**

**Main Chapel**

---

Mr. Ha Si Bao Nguyen – “What is Love? A Philosophical Investigation.”  
A Philosophy Capstone Presentation  
PHI Capstone Instructor: Dr. Ronald Condon – Assistant Professor of Philosophy

Mr. Hoang Huy Nguyen – “The Absurd.”  
A Philosophy Capstone Presentation  
PHI Capstone Instructor: Dr. Ronald Condon – Assistant Professor of Philosophy

Frt. Vinh Phuc Nguyen, ICM – “Eudaimonia: Aristotle’s Concept of Happiness.”  
A Philosophy Capstone Presentation  
PHI Capstone Instructor: Dr. Ronald Condon – Assistant Professor of Philosophy

## **New Undergraduate Department Chairs**

After due consultation with and upon the recommendation of the Vice President for Academic Affairs, I am pleased to announce that President Thomas Aschman SVD has officially appointed:

- **Dr. Yasmin Rioux as the new Department Chair for Interdisciplinary Studies [DIS]**
- **Dr. Jason Reed as the new Department Chair for Theology & Philosophy [DTP].**

Both appointments are effective 1 August 2022. According to the DWC Policy Handbook:

The Department Chair plays a critical role in academic governance. The Chair is a collaborative leader who contributes to, and advances, shared academic governance of the College by representing the administration to the faculty and the faculty to the administration. The Chair exercises leadership in advancing the Mission and Strategic Planning Goals of the College by cultivating quality faculty, continuously improving degree programs, and facilitating effective teaching and advisement of students. (7.06.02)

**Dr. Yasmin Rioux** had been an Assistant Professor of Communication at Divine Word College from 2017-2020. After a one-year hiatus in Germany, she returned to DWC in 2021 as Director for Institutional Effectiveness charged with facilitating the overhaul of the assessment plan in accord with the 2021-2024 Strategic Plan Goal A: “Create and implement a coherent assessment protocol to measure student learning and program effectiveness.” Dr. Rioux holds a Ph.D. in English – Composition & TESOL from the Indiana University of Pennsylvania in addition to an M.A. in Communication from the University of Dubuque. In her new role as DIS Chair, Dr. Rioux will concurrently continue as Director for Institutional Effectiveness.





**Dr. Jason Reed** has been an Assistant Professor of Philosophy at Divine Word College since 2019. He has been a member of the HLC Assessment Academy Team and the Academic Assessment Committee, assisting with the overhaul of DWC's assessment plan. Dr. Reed earned his Ph.D. in Philosophy from St. Louis University after having completed his M.A. in Philosophy at that same institution. He also has an M.A. in Apologetics from Southern Evangelical Seminary in Charlotte, NC. Prior to arriving at DWC, he taught undergraduate philosophy courses at Loras College in Dubuque, Mount Mary University in Cedar Rapids, and Clarke University in Dubuque. He also taught courses in philosophy and comparative religions at Xavier High School in Cedar Rapids.



Special thanks to **Dr. Cathleen Cleary** who has served as DIS Chair and **Dr. Ron Condon** who served as DTP Chair during the 2019-2022 triennium. Both Dr. Cleary and Dr. Condon helped implement significant improvements to academic programs in response to the annual self-studies and external reviews that took place during their terms. They will remain the Chairs through the end of the current academic year.

Thank you, Dr. Cleary and Dr. Condon ... and congratulations Dr. Rioux and Dr. Reed!



## Assessment Bites

Dear DWC Community! As the semester is coming to an end, please keep in mind that your Signature Assignments should be turned in to me, Yasmin Rioux, before the semester is over! I currently still need the following items:

- COM 160 – Advocacy Speech
- ICS 499 – Capstone Research Paper
- ICS 111 – Intercultural Dialogue
- THM 211 – Troubling Theological Texts
- THM 353 – Catholic Social Teaching

I completely understand that several (or all?) of these assignments won't be due until the end of this academic year (spring 22). This is truly just a reminder because I know you are all very busy this time of year.

Thank you!



## **VICE PRESIDENT FOR FORMATION DEAN OF STUDENTS**

*Fr. Long Phi Nguyen, SVD*

### **Board of Trustee Meeting**

Members of the Board of Trustees will meet this weekend, beginning Friday, May 6, until Saturday, May 7. Please offer our guests the most hospitable welcome you can. All students are expected to attend a large community Mass with the members of the Board of Trustees on Saturday, May 7, at 11:15 am in the main chapel. Semi-formal attire is required.

### **Final Exam Week**

The academic year comes to an end. During this busy time with papers and exams, please do take time for yourself, for prayers, relaxation, exercise, and participation in the daily Eucharist. There will be two Masses at 8:00 AM and 8:00 PM in the main chapel. The Student Senate also sponsors free Donuts and Coffee served in the Pour House during the final exam week. Come and enjoy! Please check the Student Board for all the activities of the final week. Good Luck with your finals!

### **Storage Room**

All students living in the main building and Arkfeld House are asked to clean and pack all your belongings and bring them to the storage room in the ground floor. The storage room is limited, so please be considerate of others and mark your names on your belongings. Thank you!

### **Room Inspection**

The deans of students, Fr. Long Phi Nguyen and Fr. Raymond Akumbilim, will do an early room inspection on Thursday, May 12, at 8:30pm for those students who will leave DWC immediately after the commencement on Friday. Another room inspection will be done on Friday, May 13, at 3:00pm. In order to get your room and key deposit back from the Business Office, your room needs to be clean without any damage.

### **Contact Information**

Stay calm, and summer vacation is finally here. All students, please send Fr. Long Phi Nguyen your contact information where you might be reached during the summer. Check your school email periodically when you are away. I wish you all a wonderful and enjoyable summer vacation. Have fun and stay safe!



## **VICE PRESIDENT FOR OPERATIONS**

*Mr. Steve Winger*

### **Do not forget your Vector Solution Classes!**

All staff, students and SVD members must complete the Vector Solutions (Safe College) training. Approximately 40% of the classes completed. These classes are important and providing training current state and federal laws and regulations. In addition, The Higher Learning Commission monitors our training/completion rates as part of their ongoing accreditation process. Thanks to all who have completed the courses.

If you are having trouble logging in to your account please feel free to contact me.

## Tips for Success on Your Final Exam

(Study Smarter, Not Harder by Kevin Paul, MA; Chapter 13)

### Preparations

1. Get enough sleep; don't eat heavy meals, drink any alcohols or too much coffee.
2. Don't try to learn something new.
3. Use positive self-talk and visualization to yourself.
4. Please avoid talking to a nervous student nor making others nervous.
5. Have all your stationaries ready for the exam.
6. Calm your anxiety by using some techniques.
7. Arrive early; choose a comfortable seat.
8. Read all directions carefully.

### Multiple-choice

1. Read every question carefully; do not rush.
2. Do the easy questions. Go back to the difficult ones later.
3. Make sure that you understand the question and each of possible answer.
4. Immediately leave out the wrong answer or foolish alternative.
5. Choose the answer that is most correct.
6. Work actively. You can underline key words, tenses, plurals, etc.
7. Check for inconsistency: singular vs plurals, the tenses, and the grammars. For example: if the question is singular, but the alternative answer is plural, it can likely be a wrong answer.
8. Try to visualize yourself studying the chapter. You might 'see' the answer at this moment.

**Change your answer?** You have to trust your instinct. Usually the first choice is the correct one. Only change the answer when you are convinced that your initial choice is wrong.

**Some hints for guessing.** These are only hints about what is likely; it is not always true.

1. If one answer is substantially longer, it could be the right answer.
2. If there are two exact opposites, the answer could be one of them.
3. A choice of "all of the above" is more likely to be the right answer versus "none of the above".

### True/False

1. Do the easy questions.
2. Be careful with guessing. There are cues that are peculiar to true/false exams.
  - a. Statements that are ardent and use definitive words, such as always, never, all, must, every time, and none, are usually false.
  - b. Statements such as usually, most often, likely, probably, could, might, should and rarely are usually true.
  - c. Since it is usually easier to write true statements than to write the false ones, longer statements are more likely to be true than false.

### Essay

1. Read through all the essay questions; take time to plan and outline your answers.
2. When you write, get to the point immediately.
3. Make sure you address the question. Read it carefully and pay attention to the action words such as compare, contrast, discuss, describe, define, differences, etc.
4. Pay attention to special instructions such as give examples, certain philosophers or theories, etc.
5. Do not leave any questions blank. If you run out of time, list your outline so the professor knows what you intend to write.







On April 27, a retirement party was held to celebrate the many years of service of four employees.

**Ms. Connie Simon** served in the DWC business office for twenty-two years as receptionist and secretary, 1998-2020. Her friendly and professional demeanor in greeting and assisting visitors, students, staff, faculty and the SVD community were especially remarkable. Because of the COVID-19 pandemic, we were not able to have a celebration until now.



**Ms. Jill Heitzman** served on the DWC faculty for thirty years as an Assistant Professor of Music, 1992-2022. She was especially noted for her love of world music and her efforts to share that love through her teaching and writing. Her efforts to nurture excellent liturgical music at DWC were also commended.

**Ms. Laura Bergfeld** served on the DWC staff for thirty-five years as housekeeper, 1986-2021. She gave good example to students and other workers in the pride she took in making sure DWC was a clean and welcoming place. One coworker noted that she was an expert window washer, a talent greatly valued in a building with acres of glass!

**Ms. Donna Puccio** worked as a member of the DWC staff for more than half a century in various positions. Most notably, she served seven DWC Presidents as executive secretary. The DWC community has known her passionate commitment to the mission of the College, and her unwavering loyalty, hope and optimism.

The service of all of these amazing women has contributed greatly to the mission of Divine Word College and has earned our gratitude and respect.





## CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES!



**Sr. Dieu Tuyet Thi Nguyen, LHC**

*B.A. Intercultural Studies*

**Home:** Hue, Vietnam

**Plans after graduation?** I will help my sisters do ministry in Des Moines.

**How has your experience at DWC impacted your faith?** DWC has provided me a good environment with many activities, especially for spiritual life. I am very grateful.



**Sr. Duong Thuy Thi Nguyen, LHC**

*B.A. Theology and Mission*

**Home:** Dak Lak Province, Vietnam

**Plans after graduation?** I plan to serve my small community in Des Moines, Iowa for a period of time.

**What is the greatest lesson you learned at DWC?** At DWC, I learned a lot of lessons and one of the greatest lesson is going out. Indeed, going out here is reaching out to others whom I encountered for the very first time. Going out of my comfort zone to build up relationships with people who have different backgrounds and interests. Going out to serve those who are in need at ministry sites. Vividly, going out to learn new things, which opens my view of life. I am so grateful for this lesson; with which I am more confident to be God's instrument in the future.



**Mr. Ha Si Bao Nguyen**

*B.A. Philosophy*

**Home:** Cam Lam, Khanh Hoa, Vietnam

**Plans after graduation?** I will continue to study.

**What is the greatest lesson you learned at DWC?** To be balanced in everything in life.



**Mr. Hoang Huy Nguyen**

*B.A. Intercultural Studies*

**Home:** Phoenix, Arizona

**Plans after graduation?** My plan is to apply for the novitiate and I will see where I go from there based on the result.

**How has your experience at DWC impacted your faith?** With the help of the formation program, I'm able to more easily live out my faith through daily Mass, prayer, and reflections. Through those experiences, I have learned to deeply reflect on scripture applying it to my daily life. With the help of spiritual directors, formators, priests, brothers, and sisters, I was able to achieve my spiritual and personal growth. I have formed a better understanding of myself and through that experience, formed a more intimate relationship with God. My faith is no longer founded on the unquestionable truths of my parents, but is now grounded in the understanding of the scripture and the teaching of the Church.



**Mr. Quoc Dinh Nguyen**

*B.A. Philosophy*

**Home:** Qui Nhon City, Vietnam

**Plans after graduation?** After graduation, I plan to visit my friends and move to Chicago.

**How has your experience at DWC impacted your faith?** My experiences at DWC taught me more things that helped my faith grow. In the multicultural environment at DWC, I also learned more about how to worship God through Mass in various cultures, which also helped me to have a different view of my faith.



**Sr. Tuyen Thanh Thi Nguyen, IHM**

*B.A. Intercultural Studies*

**Home:** Nha Trang City, Khanh Hoa Province, Vietnam

**Plans after graduation?** I am studying for an M.A. degree in Social Work at Clarke University.

**How has your experience at DWC impacted your faith?** Since arriving at DWC, I have been transformed by the community life, living among different cultures. Community life is a big deal to me. It has helped me not only to grow as a religious sister, but also to grow in the community of faith. My faith is strengthened in terms of my relationship with others, especially sharing my faith with those who are from different cultures than me. I have learned many things from them. They also helped me practice my faith in the community.



**Frt. Vinh Phuc Nguyen, ICM**

*B.A. Philosophy*

**Home:** Ninh Thuan, Vietnam

**Plans after graduation?** After graduation, I plan to continue my theology studies.

**What is the greatest lesson you learned at DWC?** BThe greatest lesson I learned at DWC is the silenced and humble service of Divine Word members.



## **Sr. Thuan Kim Thi Phan, LHC**

*B.A. Theology and Mission*

**Home:** Ha Tinh Province, Vietnam

**Plans after graduation?** I am applying for an OPT program to teach catechism at Arlington, TX. My further plans are still under consideration.

**How has your experience at DWC impacted your faith?** Each time I was at DWC – encountering people, attending liturgical services, having classes and joining other activities – my faith was nourished in various ways. I found God in knowledge, in people from different cultures, and in DWC community activities.



## **Sr. Norelly Rodriguez Manosalva, RCS**

*B.A. Theology and Mission*

**Home:** Bucaramanga, Santander, Colombia

**Plans after graduation?** Since March 16, 2022, I have been working at St. Francisco de Sales College in Soledad, Atlántico, a city on the Caribbean Coast of Colombia. Previously I worked here for 7 years.

**How has your experience at DWC impacted your faith?** My experience at Divine Word College has significantly impacted my faith, as I have had the opportunity to review, learn and rekindle my faith in the diversity of cultures and perceptions of faith at DWC. Theology within its theory and practice, made my growth in faith possible. I am grateful to the members of the Society of the Divine Word: They make a difference in our lives!



## **Mr. Nay Kaw Sho**

*B.A. Philosophy*

**Home:** Fort Worth, Texas

**Plans after graduation?** After graduation, I will probably work and do some traveling.

**What is the greatest lesson you learned at DWC?** The greatest lesson I learned at DWC was being a leader, which I never thought I was capable of.



## **Sr. Tho Thi Trinh, ICM**

*B.A. Theology and Mission*

**Home:** Thanh Hoa Province, Vietnam

**Plans after graduation?** I am pursuing an M.A. degree in Christian spirituality with a concentration in spiritual direction at Loyola University Chicago. I plan to finish this program in two years.

**What is the greatest lesson you learned at DWC?** Perhaps, the most challenging, as well as the greatest lesson that I learned during my time at DWC is how to live in harmony with people from different cultures. Harmony does not mean there is no conflict, but it is about how to resolve conflict in peaceful ways. With an open mind and heart, we easily live in harmony with each other despite our differences. Truly, the intercultural community life at DWC has encouraged me to hope for a time in the near future when people from various cultures can be together in harmony and peace.





**Sr. Tram Thu Thi Tran, IHM**

*B.A. Intercultural Studies*

**Home:** Nha Trang, Khanh Hoa, Vietnam

**Plans after graduation?** I will study for a master's degree in social work at Clarke University in Dubuque, Iowa.

**What is the greatest lesson you learned at DWC?** The greatest lesson I learned at DWC is that living in an intercultural community not only opens our hearts and our minds so that we can share with others what we have, but it also allows us to accept and respect the differences in each other, like who we are.



**Fr. Jean d'Amour Dusengumuremyi**

*A.A. Intercultural Studies*

**Home:** Burera District, Northern Province of Rwanda

**Plans after graduation?** I plan to join Saint John's University, in Minnesota to further my studies in theology, focusing on reconciliation and guiding.

**What is the greatest thing you learned at DWC?** The greatest lesson I learned at DWC is that we are all one people, we are all brothers and sisters beyond what we can see through our eyes. DWC is not only a school, it's more like a loving and caring family. I won't forget "my new family," it will remain in my heart and in my prayers.



**Fr. Polycarp Khaw Nei Thawng**

*A.A. Intercultural Studies*

**Home:** Falam (Khuangli), Chin State, Myanmar

**Plans after graduation?** I'll go to Rock Island, Illinois for my Overseas Training Program (OTP) in preparation for further studies.

**How has your experience at DWC impacted your faith?** My spiritual yearnings as a pastor have been nurtured by the devotional activities here (the way we celebrate Mass, Holy Hour, Stations of the Cross, special celebrations and occasions, etc.). In short, my faith is nourished and improved as a whole.



**Mr. Khoa Kinh Bui**

*Certificate in Pre-Theology*

**Home:** Costa Mesa, California

**Plans after graduation?** I will continue my priesthood discernment at a theologate seminary.

**How do you plan to share your faith with others in the future?** I think each of us is called to participate in the mission of the Church through ordinary pastoral ministry, bringing people to the Church, and sharing Christ with those who haven't known Him.



# Summer Birthdays!

## June

- 4 Fr. Thang Hoang, SVD
- 4 Fr. Cuong Quoc Phung
- 8 Steve Winger
- 11 Sr Paschaline Dzelimnyuy, SST
- 15 Sr. Thom Mai, FMV
- 15 Hai Ho Nguyen
- 20 Sr. Dao Ho, LHC
- 21 Fr. Roberto Henriquez
- 26 Sr. An Linh Hoang, LHC

## July

- 1 Bro. Quoc Bao Le, OCist
- 7 Do Kim Tuang
- 10 Deacon Ngoc Van Ngo, CM
- 12 Cederick Morando
- 15 Jason Reed
- 17 Jean Floyd
- 19 Fr. Huy Huu Quoc Nguyen
- 20 Sr. Scovia Apiyo, LSMIG
- 24 Cathleen Cleary
- 24 Mary Kay Lueck
- 26 Emily Shedek
- 27 Richard Garrett
- 27 Sr. Nhi Thao Nguyen, LHC

## August

- 6 Suyoung Oh
- 8 Sr. Thuy Tram Nguyen, MSC
- 10 Fr. Simon Hoang, SVD
- 13 Sr. Anh Nguyet Pham, LHC
- 15 Fr. Telesphore Dusabe
- 17 Elizabeth Winter
- 20 Fr. Sam Cunningham, SVD
- 22 Amy Hartman
- 26 Bro. Tony Kreinus, SVD
- 28 Omar Picon Gonzalez





May 6 - 7	DWC Board of Trustees Meeting
May 13	DWC Commencement
June 20 - 21	Dubuque Archdiocesan Priest Convocation
May 31	ESL Summer Term E – Classes begin
June 20-21	Dubuque Archdiocesan Priest Convocation
July 4	ESL Summer Term E – No Classes
July 7	ESL Summer Term E – Classes end
July 8	ESL Summer Term E – End-of-Term Testing
August 8	Faculty Institute

## Scholarly & Creative Achievement Awards - 2022

### Professional Presentation Awards (\$150) 9.07.05

- Dr. Karolina Achirri. "Transformative Internationalization through Kindness: The Experiences of Chinese Undergraduate Students and their Instructors at a U.S. Higher Education Institution." 17<sup>th</sup> International Congress of Qualitative Inquiry. 22 May 2021.
- Dr. Karolina Achirri. "Transformative Internationalization: Teachers Changed by Students. MIDTESOL 2021. 22 October 2021.
- Dr. Karolina Achirri. "Exploring Interculturality in Education through a Qualitative Multiple Case Study: Adaptation of Stakian Approach." The Qualitative Report 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference. 21 January 2022.
- Dr. Karolina Achirri. "Pedagogy of Kindness and Chinese Students in the USA. TESOL International Convention. 25 March 2022.
- Dr. Seo Hyun Park. "Developing IEP Faculty Evaluation Rubrics." 2022 English USA Professional Development Conference. 18 February 2022.
- Dr. Jason L. Reed. "Pure Actuality and Divine Freedom: A Brief Reply to Mullins and Craig." 2021 American Catholic Philosophical Association Annual Meeting. St. Louis, MO. 19 November 2021.
- Dr. Yasmin Rioux. "Breaking through Learning Barriers: Using Narrative Writing to Help International Students Connect Prior Knowledge to Current Theory in a Diverse Intercultural Communication Class." Marquette University English Conference 2022. 4 February 2022.
- Dr. Yasmin Rioux. "Using Place-Based Ecocomposition in an International and Multilingual Writing Class to Foster the Recognition of and Celebrate Unity and Diversity while Caring for our Natural Spaces." Conference on College Composition and Communication 2022 Annual Conference. 9 March 2022
- Dr. Yasmin Rioux. "Building Bridges through Interdisciplinary Practice: Creating Inclusive and Shared Places through Narrative Writing in a Distinctively Diverse Intercultural Communication Class." 2022 Nottingham Trent University Conference. 4 April 2022.

#### Scholarly Article Publication Awards (\$250) 9.07.03

- Dr. Karolina Achirri. "Life is Splendid Here in the U.S.": Intercultural Learning in Contemporary Chinese Students' Academic Adjustment." *The Qualitative Report*, 26 (4), 1200-1217. 5 April 2021.
- Dr. Ashley Heiberger. (co-authored with Brittany Ann Garling) "The Integration of Popular Culture in K-12 and Higher Education English Language Curricula: Enhancing ELLs' Literacy Development Through Popular Culture." Chapter 16 in *Research Anthology on Fandoms, Online Social Communities, and Pop Culture*. (pp. 276-295) Information Resources Management Association, 2022.
- Dr. Jason L. Reed. "The Philosopher of God and Common Sense," (pp. 171-180) in *Wisdom and Wonder*. Ed. Brandon Vogt. San Francisco, CA: Ignatius Press, 2021.
- Mr. Larry Udry. On CALL Newsletter – Computer Assisted Language Learning Interest Section (CALL-IS). Newsletter co-editor (2010-present). TESOL.
- Dr. Benjamin Winter. "Pride and Humility: The Moral Dimension of Knowledge in Bonaventure's Collations." In *Saint Bonaventure: Friar, Teacher, Minister, Bishop* (Franciscan Institute, 2021): 357-368.