

## **Press Release: Change of Director of Religious Education, SK**

**21 June, 2021** - I would like to share that after serving as Director of Religious Education for NTC's extension site in Saskatoon, SK since its inception Sr. Teresita Kambeitz, OSU has decided to retire from her role with the College. Sr. Teresita played a critical role in launching the program, helping to coordinate this initiative between NTC and the Saskatchewan Catholic School Boards Association. Under her leadership, some 40 GDRE/MRE students graduated, students who serve in nearly all of the eight Catholic School divisions in SK.

Sr. Teresita concludes this role after having also served on NTC's faculty from 1988-1999, and a lifetime devoted to ministry that includes 65 years in the practice of education. On a personal note, I would mention that in all of my visits to Saskatoon I've never met with such enthusiastic and joy-filled students as those who have taken part in the MRE extension site. Their love for religious education, learning and one another was clearly in no small part due to the nurturing care that Sr. Teresita gave to their education. The College is also grateful that Sr. Teresita has agreed to continue supervising field education projects for Saskatoon students that are still in the program.

Newman Theological College is also proud to announce that the new Director for Religious Education in Saskatchewan will be Dr. Brett Salkeld. He comes to us from the Archdiocese of Regina where he serves as the Archdiocesan Theologian and is responsible for Deacon Formation. Brett is a prolific author and engaging teacher and speaker. His publications include the books: *Can Catholics and Evangelicals Agree about Purgatory and the Last Judgment?*, *How Far Can We Go? A Catholic Guide to Sex and Dating (with Leah Perrault)* and *Transubstantiation: Theology, History, and Christian Unity*. He is currently working on a book for Catholic teachers tentatively titled *Educating for Eternity: Making Every Class Catholic*.

In Christ,

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