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Catholic Theological Union Names Cindy Gonya as Vice President for Finance and Operations

June 9, 2022 – Chicago. Catholic Theological Union is pleased to announce that its board has named Cindy Gonya as the new Vice President for Finance and Operations. Gonya brings to CTU a wealth of experience in higher education finance, most recently as Director at Rush University Medical Center, where she was in a leadership position supporting planning, implementation and management of strategic and financial initiatives for the medical practice. She previously served as Vice President for Business and Finance and Chief Financial Officer at Elmhurst University responsible for the accounting, budgeting, financial aid, grant administration, human resources, risk management and contract service relationships as well as in leadership finance positions at Columbia College Chicago and Loyola University Chicago.

A certified public accountant, Gonya has two Master's Degrees, in education and in business administration, from Loyola University of Chicago and a Bachelor's Degree in finance from Southern Illinois University in Carbondale. Gonya will continue the positive financial management momentum begun by her predecessor Kevin Doherty, who will retire this summer.

"I was really drawn to the CTU's mission and its important work of preparing religious order seminarians and sisters, and lay men and women to serve the Church and the world," she said. "I am looking forward to contributing to the CTU's continued success in being a transformative force in the Church."

"We are delighted for Cindy to join the leadership of CTU. She brings a real depth of experience in the financial management of a higher educational institutions like ours," said CTU President Sr. Barbara Reid, OP. "Her business acumen and wisdom, coupled with her understanding of the mission of CTU and commitment to the Church, will serve us well into the next phase of our growth."

Gonya will join CTU's leadership team on July 5.

About Catholic Theological Union

Catholic Theological Union is a Roman Catholic graduate school of theology and ministry located in the Hyde Park neighborhood of Chicago. CTU shares alliances with De Paul University, Dominican University and the University of Chicago. Its mission is to prepare effective leaders for the Church, ready to witness to Christ's good news of justice, love, and peace. More than 4,500 CTU alumni, vowed religious and lay women and men, have gone on to minister in 60 countries worldwide.

CTU was founded in 1968, following the Second Vatican Council, during a time of dramatic renewal in the Catholic Church. Fifty years later, CTU has evolved into a premier school of theology and ministry, sponsored by twenty-four men's religious communities and enjoys a global reputation for academic and pastoral excellence.