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**CTU Names New Vice President for Finance and Operations**

July 1, 2024 – Chicago. On June 26, Sr. Barbara Reid, OP, President of Catholic Theological Union (CTU), announced the hiring of Mr. Matthew Hughes as Vice President for Finance and Operations. Bringing more than 35 years of experience as a finance professional to CTU, Hughes most recently served as Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer at Oak Point University (formerly Resurrection University). Hughes earned a Bachelor of Science in Accounting from Marquette University, holds a Master of Divinity and Licentiate in Sacred Theology from University of St. Mary of the Lake, and is a licensed Certified Public Accountant in Illinois.

President Sr. Barbara Reid stated, “CTU is delighted to welcome Matthew Hughes to our leadership team, with his passion for CTU’s mission, his desire to contribute to the formation of ministers for the church, and his expertise and experience in finance and operations.”

“I am thrilled and feel blessed to be joining the team at Catholic Theological Union. The mission of CTU is an inspiring one - training women and men to serve God's people,” stated Hughes. “CTU graduates have had, and continue to have, such a great impact locally and worldwide. To contribute in some way to that influence and reach is truly humbling.”

Congratulations and welcome to CTU, Matt!

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**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 DePaul 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. Over 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.