

Catholic Theological Union Appoints Fr. Enzo Del Brocco, CP, as Next President

Chicago, IL – May 5, 2025 – The Board of Trustees of Catholic Theological Union (CTU) is pleased to announce the appointment of Fr. Salvatore Enzo Del Brocco, CP, as the school's next president. Fr. Enzo brings a wealth of experience in theological education, pastoral ministry, and international leadership within the Passionist community.

Thomas P. Brown, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, announced, "CTU emerged from COVID with state-of-the-art technological resources and a commitment to dramatically expand the reach of its mission internationally. It is with considerable excitement that we welcome Fr. Enzo Del Brocco, CP, as our eighth president. With his extensive work and leadership experience outside the United States, and his multilingual skills, working collaboratively across borders and interculturality is second nature to him."

Born in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, Fr. Enzo spent his formative years in Italy, where he joined the Passionist Order in 1991 and was ordained a priest in 1996. He holds a Licentiate in Moral Theology, a Master's Degree in Human Resources, a Certification in Catholic Bioethics, and a PhD in Healthcare Ethics. His academic and pastoral journey has taken him across the globe, preaching at retreats and conducting workshops in multiple countries. Fluent in six languages, Fr. Enzo is recognized for his ability to engage diverse communities in meaningful theological discourse.

Fr. Enzo has served as an adjunct professor of ethics at CTU, contributing to courses that explore human dignity, Vatican II, and Pope Francis' Integral Ecology. Most recently, he has offered a course on Human Dignity and the Cyberworld, with particular emphasis on the ethical challenges and opportunities presented by artificial intelligence. His work reflects a deep commitment to safeguarding human dignity in the face of rapid technological change. By combining academic rigor with pastoral sensitivity, Fr. Enzo's teaching and scholarship align closely with CTU's mission to prepare effective and compassionate leaders for the Church and the wider world.

Fr. Enzo commented, "I am deeply honored to serve as the next president of Catholic Theological Union, a leading center of theological education and formation rooted in the Catholic tradition and committed to global engagement. I look forward to working alongside our dedicated faculty, staff, students, and partners as we continue CTU's mission of forming leaders who are not only theologically grounded but also guided by a vision of integral ecology and a deep, ongoing commitment to social justice. In a world increasingly marked by fragmentation, conflict, and polarization, we urgently need leaders who can bridge divides, care for our common home, and foster a culture of peace and solidarity."

Fr. Enzo will assume the presidency in July 2025, succeeding President Sr. Barbara Reid, OP. Sr. Barbara will continue in her faculty appointment at CTU after the presidential transition. The CTU community expresses deep gratitude for Sr. Barbara's dedicated leadership and celebrates her continued Biblical scholarship.

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. Founded in 1968, following the Second Vatican Council, CTU prepares effective leaders for the Church, ready to witness to Christ's good news of justice, love, and peace. More than 4,500 CTU alumni have ministered in 60 countries worldwide. CTU is a premier school of theology and ministry, sponsored by twenty-one men's religious communities, with a global reputation for academic and pastoral excellence. For more information about CTU, visit www.ctu.edu.