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Deacon James Keating, nationally recognized seminary theologian, spiritual director, and formator, appointed to Kenrick-Glennon Seminary.

Archbishop Robert J. Carlson has appointed Deacon James Keating as a member of the Formation Staff and Professor of Spiritual Theology at Kenrick-Glennon Seminary. The appointment, which begins in August of 2020, has been funded through the generosity of an anonymous donor.

Deacon Keating received his PhD in moral and spiritual theology at Duquesne University. From 1993-2006 he served as Professor of Moral and Spiritual Theology at the Pontifical College Josephinum (seminary) in Columbus, OH. From 2006 to the present he has served as Director of Theological Formation at the Institute for Priestly Formation in Omaha, Nebraska. In his role at IPF, in addition to teaching in the annual summer program for seminarians from around the country, he convened yearly seminars of seminary theologians and formation staff on topics at the intersection of theological, human, and spiritual formation. Deacon Keating edited 10 books as a result of these seminars, in addition to the dozen books he has published as author or co-author on moral formation, spiritual formation, diaconal formation, and marriage.

Deacon Keating has given over 800 presentations over the last 30 years, including more than 40 talks and retreats for bishops, vocation directors, diocesan priest gatherings, deacons, and married couples just since 2017. He has been a significant presence in the world of Catholic radio and podcasts, and has been Director of Deacon Formation in the Archdiocese of Omaha since 2011.

For further information, some of Deacon Keating’s presentations can be found on the Discerning Hearts website at:

https://www.discerninghearts.com/catholic-podcasts/deacon-james-keating-phd/