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Biography: Dr Cornelius Casey, Loyola Institute, Trinity College Dublin

Dr Cornelius Casey has been involved in the Loyola Institute project of teaching and research in theology in the Catholic tradition since the beginning. In 2012 on his appointment as inaugural Director he began the work of making his vision concrete. In this role he has organized conferences, lecture series, as well as steering the development of the Loyola academic mission. One of his most important innovations at Trinity has been the development of a module on theology and the Book of Kells.

Con, a member of the Redemptorist Congregation, studied and taught in Bangalore (India), in Rome, and then completed a doctorate in theology at Oxford where his supervisor was the English Dominican theologian Herbert McCabe.

For nine years Con served as Provincial of the Irish Redemptorist Congregation, paying particular attention to the development of Redemptorist networks throughout Europe.

In the 1990s Con was a founder member of the Kimmage Missionary Institute of Theology, an institute where people from all over the world studied theology. Subsequently he became President of KMI, and in 2006, after his years as Provincial, he was made Acting President of the Milltown Institute of Philosophy and Theology.

Among his recent publications are the co-edited volume, *The Church in Pluralist Society: Social and Political Roles*, (Notre Dame University Press, 2019), “The Case for Theology in the University” (*Studies*, Spring, 2022), “How Deep are the Well-Springs of Hope?”, *Doctrine and Life*, (March 2020), and “Biblical Commentary in the Illustrations of the Book of Kells” in *The cultural reception of the Bible. Explorations in theology, literature and the arts* (Four Courts Press, 2019).