

# Timothy I. Kelly

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## Academic Experience

### Saint Vincent College

Department Chair, Fall 2007-present

Full Professor of History, Fall 2009- Present

Associate Professor of History Fall 1999 –  
Spring 2009

Assistant Professor of History Spring 1995 -  
Spring 1999

### Pittsburgh Teachers Institute

Fellow Spring 2004, Spring 2005, Spring 2006, Spring 2007

### Chatham College

Assistant Professor of History Fall 1990- September 1994

Director of Student Advisement and Retention June 1993- September 1994

### Carnegie Mellon University:

Adjunct Faculty, Spring 1992, Spring 1993

Teaching Fellow, 1987-1990

## Education

Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania  
Ph.D. (Social History) August 1990

University of Texas at Austin, Austin, Texas  
M.A. (History) December 1984

Rutgers University, New Brunswick, New Jersey  
B.A. (Social Studies) May 1982

## Publications

### *Books*

*Hope in Hard Times: Norvelt and the Search for Community During the Great Depression*, with Margaret Power and Michael Cary, Pennsylvania State University Press, 2016. (Winner of the Arthur St. Clair Award for significant contributions to the history of Westmoreland County.)

*The Transformation of American Catholicism: The Pittsburgh Laity and the Second Vatican Council*, University of Notre Dame press, January, 2009.

*This American Courthouse: One Hundred Years of Service to the People of Westmoreland County*. Co-edited with Michael Cary. Latrobe, Pa: Center for Northern Appalachian Studies, 2007.

*Academic Articles, Essays, Chapters*

“Norvelt: Workers’ Haven and Missed Opportunity,” with Margaret Power, *Pennsylvania History: A Journal of Mid-Atlantic Studies*, vol. 86, No. 3 (Summer 2019): 335-358.

“Discerning an Environmental Ethos: Three Episodes in the Growth of Environmental Awareness in Western Pennsylvania,” *Journal of Moral Theology*, Vol 6, Special Issue 1 (March 2017): 114-124.

“The Strange Case of Murray Kram: Catholic Devotionalism and Direct Mail Marketing in 1950s Pittsburgh,” *The Journal of Ritual Studies* (Summer 2005): 89-98.

“Pittsburgh Catholicism,” *U.S. Catholic Historian* (Fall 2000): 64 – 75.

"Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Gender Roles, and the Decline of Devotional Catholicism" *Journal of Social History* (Fall 1998): 5-26.

"American Catholics and the Discourse of Fear," in Peter Stearns and Jan Lewis, eds. *Emotional History of the United States* (New York: New York University Press, 1998)

"Suburbanization and the Decline of Catholic Public Ritual" *Journal of Social History* (Winter 1994): 311-330.

"Searching the Dark Alley: The New Historicism and Social History," *Journal of Social History* (Spring 1992).

"The Promise of a Popular Church: The Laity and the 1971 Pittsburgh Synod," *Notre Dame Seminar Series on the History of American Catholicism*, Series 23, No. 2 (Fall 1991) Cushwa Center for the Study of American Catholicism, Notre Dame University

"Review Essay: American Catholics" *Journal of Social History* 23(Fall 1989):155-166.

With Sean Madden, "Baseball and Persistence of Community in Boston, PA," *Pittsburgh History* 72(Summer 1989):76-82.

"Chatham Curriculum, 1869 - Present," *Chatham College Alumnae Recorder* (Summer 1995): 10-11.

#### ***Popular Press Articles***

“Helping Miners Get By,” with Margaret Power and Michael Cary, *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette*, (June 19, 2016): D1, D4.

“Pittsburgh Catholics,” *National Catholic Reporter* (28 May 2009): 19, 22.

“A Show of Hands,” *Commonweal* (26 September 2008): 31.

"The Republican Church," *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette* (3 July 1993)

**Encyclopedia Entries**

- “Church and Child Labor—Catholicism,” in *Child Labor World Atlas: a Reference Encyclopedia* (Armonk, NY: M.E. Sharpe, Inc., 2009).
- “Opus Dei” in *The Encyclopedia of the Modern World.*, ed. Peter N. Stearns, (New York: Oxford University Press, 2007)
- “Catholicism: Overview,” in *The Encyclopedia of the Modern World.*, ed. Peter N. Stearns, (New York: Oxford University Press, 2007)
- “Vatican I,” in *The Encyclopedia of the Modern World.*, ed. Peter N. Stearns, (New York: Oxford University Press, 2007)
- “Vatican II,” in *The Encyclopedia of the Modern World.*, ed. Peter N. Stearns, (New York: Oxford University Press, 2007)
- “Catholicism,” *Encyclopedia of Children and Childhood In History and Society, volume 1*, ed. Paula S. Fass. (New York: Macmillan Reference, 2004)134-138.
- "O'Connor, Michael," vol. 16, *American National Biography* , ed. John A Garraty and Mark C. Carnes, 24 vols. (New York: Oxford University Press, 1999): 608-609.
- "Dearden, John F." vol. 6, *American National Biography* , ed. John A Garraty and Mark C. Carnes, 24 vols. (New York: Oxford University Press, 1999): 302-303.
- "*Diary of a Country Priest* Inspires Readers," *Great Events from History II* (Salem Press, 1993)

**Book Reviews**

- Review of *Bring the World to the Child: Technologies of Global Citizenship in American Education* by Katie Day Good, *Journal of the History of Childhood and Youth* (forthcoming)
- Review of *Strength for the Fight: The Life and Faith of Jackie Robinson* by Gary Scott Smith, *Journal of Sport History* (forthcoming)
- Review of *Sunnyside Gardens: Planning and Preservation in a Historic Garden Suburb* by Jeffrey A. Kroessler and *Teardown: Memoir of a Vanishing City* by Gordon Young, *Buildings & Landscapes* (Fall 2022)
- Review of *Squirrel Hill: The Tree of Life Synagogue Shooting and the Soul of a Neighborhood* by Mark Oppenheimer, *National Catholic Reporter* (May 13-26, 2022): 15.
- Review of *Unprepared: America in the Time of Coronavirus* by Jon Sternfeld and *Plague Year: America in the Time of Covid* by Lawrence Wright, *National Catholic Reporter* (October 16, 2021 online)
- Review of *A Progressive Voice in the Catholic Church in the United States: Association of Pittsburgh Priests, 1966-2019* by Arthur J. McDonald, *American Catholic Studies*

(Spring 2021): 92-93.

Review of *American Prophets: The Religious Roots of Progressive Politics and the Ongoing Fight for the Soul of the Country* by Jack Jenkins, *National Catholic Reporter* (April 30, 2020 online)

“Impeachment,” a review of *Impeachment: A Citizen’s Guide* by Cass Sunstein (New York: Penguin Books, 2019); *Impeachment: An American History* by Jeffrey A. Engel, Jon Meacham, Timothy Naftali, and Peter Baker (New York: Modern Library, 2018); *Impeachment: What Everyone Needs to Know* by Michael J. Gerhardt (New York: Oxford University Press, 2018); *High Crimes and Misdemeanors: A History of Impeachment for the Age of Trump* by Frank O. Bowman III (New York: Cambridge University Press, 2019); *The Impeachers: The Trial of Andrew Johnson and the Dream of a Just Nation* by Brenda Wineapple (New York: Random House, 2019); *The Impeachment Report: the House Intelligence Committee’s Report on its Investigation Into Donald Trump and Ukraine* (New York: Broadway Books, 2019) in *National Catholic Reporter* (February 5, 2020)

Review of *The Good Neighbor: The Life and Work of Fred Rogers* by Maxwell King and *Becoming Dr. Seuss: Theodor Geisel and the Making of an American Imagination* by Brian Jay Jones, *National Catholic Reporter* (September 4, 2019)

Review of *Roman Catholicism in the United States: A Thematic History*, by Margaret M. McGuinness and James T. Fischer in *The Journal of American History* (forthcoming).

Review of *Martyrs of Hope: Seven U.S. Missioners in Central America* by Donna Whitson Brett and Edward T. Brett in *National Catholic Reporter*, (August 28, 2019).

Review of *American Catholicism in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century: Crossroads, Crisis, or Renewal?* Edited by Benjamin T. Peters and Nicholas Rademacher in *Horizons* (forthcoming).

Review of *The Second Coming of the KKK: The Ku Klux Klan of the 1920s and the American Political Tradition* by Linda Gordon in *National Catholic Reporter* (October 5-18, 2018): 6a.

Review of *Writing to Save a Life: The Louis Till File* by John Edgar Wideman in *National Catholic Reporter* (September 8, 2017)

Review of *The Other Catholics: Remaking America’s Largest Religion* by Julie Byrne in *National Catholic Reporter* (July 14-27, 2017): 13-14.

Review of *Emptiness: Feeling Christian in America* by John Corrigan in the *Journal of Social History: Societies and Cultures* (Spring 2017): 595-597.

Review of *Conscience and Catholicism: Rights, Responsibilities, and Institutional Responses*, David E. DeCosse and Kristin E. Heyer, eds., in *Horizons* (December 2016): 443-445.

Review of *From the War on Poverty to the War on Crime: The Making of Mass Incarceration in*

- America* by Elizabeth Hinton, in *National Catholic Reporter* (October 2016): 1a-2a.
- Review of *Dark Money: The Hidden History of the Billionaires Behind the Rise of the Radical Right* by Jane Mayer, in *National Catholic Reporter* (July 18-28, 2016): 17, 19.
- Review of *A Still and Quiet Conscience: The Archbishop Who Challenged a Pope, a President, and a Church* by John McCoy in *Horizons* (June 2016): 211-213.
- Review of *Inventing a Christian America: The Myth of the Religious Founding* by Steven K Green in *National Catholic Reporter* (November 20, 2015)
- Review of *Empowering the People of God: Catholic Action before and after Vatican II*, edited by Jeremy Bonner, Christopher P. Denny, and Mary Beth Fraser Connolly in *American Catholic Studies* (Fall 2015): 78-80.
- Review essay of *Killing from the Inside Out: Moral Injury and Just War* by Robert Emmet Meagher and *War is Not a Game: The New Antiwar Soldiers and the Movement They Built* by Nan Levinson in *National Catholic Reporter* (May 22, 2015): 20.
- Review of *Church and State in the City: Catholics and Politics in Twentieth Century San Francisco*, by William Issel in the *Journal of Church and State* (Autumn 2014).
- Review of *Good Catholics: The Battle Over Abortion in the Catholic Church*, by Patricia Miller in the *National Catholic Reporter* (August 15, 2014)
- Review of *Evil Men* by James Dawes in *National Catholic Reporter* (January 3-16, 2014): 19.
- Review of *Religion, Politics, and Polarization: How Religiopolitical conflict is Changing Congress and American Democracy* by William V. D'Antonio, Steven A. Tuch, and Josiah R. Baker in *National Catholic Reporter* (December 6-19, 2013): 20-21.
- Review of *Back to the Land: Arthurdale, FDR's New Deal, and the Costs of Planning*, by C.J. Maloney in the *Journal of Social History: Societies and Cultures* (Summer 2013): 1106-1107.
- Review of *The Age of Austerity: How Scarcity Will Remake American Politics*, by Thomas Byrne Edsall in the *National Catholic Reporter*, (April 27-May 10, 2012): 6a.
- Review of *The New Deal: A Modern History*, by Michael Hiltzik in the *National Catholic Reporter* (December 22, 2011): 15, 18.
- Review of *For Both Cross and Flag: Catholic Action, Anti-Catholicism, and National Security Politics in World War II San Francisco*, by William Issel in *U.S. Catholic Historian* (Spring 2011): 39-41.
- Review of *The Turn to Transcendence: The Role of Religion in the Twenty-First Century*, by Glenn W. Olsen in *The National Catholic Reporter* (February 4, 2011): 17.

- Review of *House of Mourning: A Biocultural History of the Mountain Meadows Massacre*, by Shannon A. Novak in *The Historian* vol. 72, no. 4 (Winter 2010): 943-944.
- Review of *Civil Rights Advocacy on Behalf of the Poor*, by Catherine M. Paden in the *National Catholic Reporter* (October 1, 2010): 3a.
- Review of *Rome Reborn on Western Shores: Historical Imagination and the Creation of the American Republic*, by Eran Shalev in the *National Catholic Reporter* (April 30, 2010): 5a.
- Review of *Knock: The Virgin's Apparition in Nineteenth-Century Ireland*, by Eugene Hynes, in the *Journal of Social History* (Spring 2011): 986-988.
- Review of *Twentieth Century Global Christianity: A People's History of Christianity*, edited by Mary Farrell Bednarowski in the *Journal of Social History* (Spring 2010): 874-876.
- Review of *After Redemption: Jim Crow and the Transformation of African American Religion in the Delta, 1875-1915*, by John M. Giggie in *The Historian* (Spring, 2010):168-169.
- Review of *Catholics and Contraception: An American History*, by Leslie Woodcock Tentler in the *Journal of Social History* 39(June 2006): 1237-1240.
- Review of *The Catholic Revolution: New Wine, Old Wineskins, and the Second Vatican Council*, by Andrew Greeley in the *Journal of Social History* (June 2005)
- Review of *Communion of Immigrants: A History of Catholics in America*, by James T. Fisher in the *Journal of Social History* (Fall 2003): 253-255.
- Review of *Beloved Strangers: Interfaith Families in Nineteenth Century America*, by Anne C. Rose in the *Journal of Social History* (Summer 2003): 1085-1087.
- Review of *Something New Under the Sun: An Environmental History of the Twentieth-Century World*, by J.R. McNeill in the *World History Bulletin*
- Review of *Catholics and American Culture: Fulton Sheen, Dorothy Day, and the Notre Dame Football Team*, by Mark A. Massa in the *Journal of Social History* (Winter 2000).
- Review of *Parish Boundaries: The Catholic Encounter with Race*, by John T. McGreevy in the *Journal of Social History* (Winter 1998): 480-482.
- Review of *Material Christianity: Religion and Popular Culture in America* by Colleen McDannell in the *Journal of Social History* (Summer 1997): 997-999.
- Review of *Separatism and Subculture: Boston Catholicism 1900-1920*, by Paula M. Kane in the *Journal of Social History* (December 1995).

Review of *Remaking America: Public Memory, Commemoration, and Patriotism in the Twentieth Century*, by John Bodnar, in *Pennsylvania History*. 59(October 1992): 375-377.

Review of *The People's Religion* by George Gallup Jr. and Jim Castelli, in the *Journal of Social History*. 25(Spring 1992):657-659

Review of *Conflict and Change in the Catholic Church* by John Seidler and Katherine Meyer, in the *Journal of Social History*. (Winter 1990).

Review of *Grace Before Meals: Food Ritual and Body Discipline in Convent Culture*, by Patricia Curran, in the *Journal of Ritual Studies*, 4(Summer 1990):363-366

Review of *Progress Without Planning: The Economic History of Ontario* by Ian M. Drummond, in *The American Review of Canadian Studies*, XIX(Fall 1989):112-114.

Review of *The American Catholic Experience: A History From Colonial Times to the Present* by Jay P. Dolan, in the *Journal of Social History*, 21(Fall 1987):153-156.

Review of *In Its Corporate Capacity: The Seminary of Montreal as a Business Institution, 1816-1876* by Brian Young, in the *American Review of Canadian Studies*, XVII(Spring 1987):111-112.

Review of *The Ephrata Commune: An Early American Counterculture* by E.G. Alderfer, in the *Western Pennsylvania Historical Magazine*, 70(January 1987): 69-71.

**Pre-Publication Reviewer for:**

*Catholic University of America Press*

*Emotions: History, Culture, Society*

*Journal of Social History: Societies and Cultures*

*Journal of Catholic Higher Education*

*U.S. Catholic Historian*

**Papers, Conferences, Public Presentations**

Commentator for session titled “Accessibility, Exposure, Outreach, and Preservation” at the *Preserving Our Heritage Summit: Catholic Archives of Western Pennsylvania*, Duquesne University, March 26, 2022

“Norvelt: The Roosevelt Legacy Through the Prism of a New Deal Community in Southwestern Pennsylvania, 1934-2017,” with Margaret Power (coauthor and presenter), Pursuing the Rooseveltian Century Conference, Middleburg, The Netherlands, November 30-December 1, 2017.

“Discerning a Catholic Environmental Ethos: Three Episodes in the Growth of Environmental Awareness in Western Pennsylvania,” *Laudato si'* and Northern Appalachia: A Conference on the Environment and Catholic Social Teaching, Saint Vincent College, Latrobe, Pennsylvania, October 2016.

- “Better Homes and Gardens: Norvelt’s Houses and Subsistence Gardens as a Solution to Economic and Cultural Struggle,” Pennsylvania History Conference, Shippensburg University, Shippensburg, Pennsylvania, October 7, 2016.
- “Tuning Sequential Methods Courses for History Majors” American Historical Association Annual Conference, Atlanta, Georgia, January 2016.
- “Baseball, History, and Culture” Public presentation at the Lincoln Highway Heritage Corridor, Latrobe, Pennsylvania, July 9, 2016.
- “Reforming and Assessing the History Major at Saint Vincent College,” American Historical Association Annual Conference, New Orleans, Louisiana, January 2013.
- “The Transformation of American Catholicism: Vatican II at Fifty Years,” Pittsburgh Call to Action Commemoration of Vatican II, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, October 2012.
- “Building a Better Life: Domestic Architecture in Norvelt, Pennsylvania, 1934-1941,” Appalachian Studies Conference, Indiana University of Pennsylvania, Indiana, Pennsylvania, March 2012.
- “The Dynamic 1950s: The American Catholic Laity Before Vatican II,” American Historical Association annual meeting, Boston, January 9, 2011.
- “The Transformation of American Catholicism,” presentations at LaRoche College, April 2010; The Spiritan Center of Duquesne University, Pittsburgh, February 2010.
- “Domestic Architecture: Landscape, Building and Life in Norvelt, Pennsylvania” Norvelt 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Commemoration, Norvelt, Pennsylvania, July 26, 2009.
- “Discerning Benedictine Pedagogy” (video documentary) Third Annual Benedictine Pedagogy Conference, Saint Vincent College, Latrobe, Pennsylvania, May 28, 2009. Volume II shown at the Fourth Annual Benedictine Pedagogy Conference, June 3, 2010
- “American Culture in the 1940s,” Westmoreland Museum of American Art in conjunction with the exhibit “Painting in the United States,” which displays the work of American artists between 1943 and 1949 who were showcased by the Carnegie Institute when it suspended the Carnegie International during WWII. June 11, 2008.
- “The Westmoreland County Courthouse,” with Michael Cary (Seton Hill University), The Allegheny Courthouse in Context, Public Symposium, University of Pittsburgh, April 18, 2008.
- “This American Courthouse,” with Michael Cary (Seton Hill University), at the Ligonier Public Library, the Greensburg-Hempfield Public Library, First Presbyterian Church of Greensburg, and Saint Vincent College (in cooperation with the Westmoreland County Historical Society) Fall 2007 and Spring 2008



"The Transformation of American Catholicism," University of Pittsburgh Religious Studies Colloquium, March 19, 2008.

Featured speaker, Catholic Historical Society of Western Pennsylvania, March 2003, "The Strange Career of Murray Kram: Catholic Devotionalism and Direct Mail Marketing in 1950s Pittsburgh."

Commentator for the Session entitled "Organizing Public Employees, 1960s-1980s: Focus on Pennsylvania" Conference on History and Politics, California, Pennsylvania, January 24, 2002.

"The Laity and the Decline of Devotional Catholicism," American Catholicism in the 20<sup>th</sup> Century Conference, University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, Indiana, March 2000

"The Transformation of American Catholicism Progress Report," Public Presences of American Catholicism in the Twentieth Century Seminar, Cushwa Center for the Study of American Catholicism, University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, Indiana, March 10, 1999.

"The Changing Face of American Catholicism," University Lecture, Clarion University of Pennsylvania, Clarion, Pennsylvania, February 1999.

"Discovering a New Tension: American Catholicism and American Citizenship in the Post World War II Era," Organization of American Historians, San Francisco, California, April, 1997.

"Efficacy of Service Learning: A Comparative Study of Writing Seminar Sections, Preliminary Results," with Charlotte Lott, Joseph Wister, and Marilyn Sullivan-Cosetti. CIC National Institute on Learning and Service, June 1, 1995.

Commentator for Session entitled "When Difference Doesn't Stratify," Social Science History Conference, Baltimore, Maryland, October 1993.

"Suburbanization and the Decline of Catholic Public Ritual." Social Sources of Public Religious Expression Conference, Indiana University-Purdue University at Indianapolis, October 1992.

"Pittsburgh Catholics and the Demise of Catholic Devotional Life" Duquesne History Forum, October 1992

"Pageants and Parades: Catholic Public Ritual in Post-War Pittsburgh," Pennsylvania Historical Association Conference, October 1991.

"The Promise of a Popular Church," Notre Dame Seminar on the History of Catholicism, Notre Dame University, April 9, 1991

"American Lay Catholics and the Second Vatican Council: Pittsburgh Catholics Assess Their Church," American Catholicism in the Twentieth Century Conference, University of Notre Dame, November 1, 1990.

**Fellowships – Grants - Awards**

American Historical Association mini-grant for Revaluating the Humanities in General Education: Building on the Success of Cornerstone, 2021. Funded by the AHA and the Teagle Foundation.

Arthur St. Clair Historic Preservation Award from the Westmoreland County Historical Association, 2021 (for *Hope in Hard Times: Norvelt and the Search for Community During the Great Depression*) and 2008 (for work on *This American Courthouse*)

Boniface Wimmer Faculty Award, 2015, for Exceptional Achievement. Award given annually to a senior faculty member at Saint Vincent College for distinguished achievements.

Quentin Shaut Faculty Award, 1997-98, for exceptional achievement. This award is made to one untenured faculty member at Saint Vincent College each year for overall performance.

Pittsburgh Teachers Institute Fellow, Spring 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007. Taught seminars on to Pittsburgh public school teachers on immigration, forced migration, religious history, and American family history.

St. Vincent College Faculty Research Grant, 2016, 2015, 2013, 2010, 2009, 2007, 2002, 2001, 2000. 1999, 1997

Minadeo Math Mentoring Project "Closing the Gap" grant from Dominion Peoples to fund an after school math mentoring program in a Pittsburgh elementary school, 2002-2003.

Cushwa Center Faculty Fellowship granted by the Cushwa Center for the Study of American Catholicism at the University of Notre Dame, Spring 1999 - Fall 1999, for work on the public presences of Catholicism in the twentieth century.

Pennsylvania Campus Compact Grant for study entitled "Measuring the Affect of Service-Learning on Students" Chatham College, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania May 1994.

Pennsylvania Humanities Council Mini-Grant for "Women in Humanities" lecture series. Chatham College, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, March 1992

Congregational History Project Dissertation Fellowship, Institute for the Advanced Study of Religion, University of Chicago, 1989-1990.

**Programming, Consulting**

Elizabethtown College, Department of History, external reviewer, March 2020 (postponed due to COVID-19).

Belmont Abbey College, Department of History, external reviewer, February 2020.

President's Faculty Awards, external committee member, California University of Pennsylvania, 1999-2021

Hempfield Area Public Schools, Curriculum Consultant, Spring 2007. Led Social Studies department in the initial phase of their comprehensive secondary curriculum review.

Pittsburgh Public School District (Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania), Curriculum and Instruction consultant, Spring 2005 and Fall 2005. Led secondary Citizenship teacher in-service workshops on Religion in American history and on Forced Migration in world history.

External Evaluator for Department of History, California University of Pennsylvania, California University of Pennsylvania, 1999

Western Pennsylvania Undergraduate History Conference, Chair, 1997-98; Co-Chair 1996-97. Coordinated undergraduate conferences, hosted 1998 conference at Saint Vincent College.

Pathways to Success cooperative program with Allegheny Middle School, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. 1998, 1999, 2001, 2002, 2003. Worked to develop program and curriculum for Saint Vincent cooperative with Allegheny Middle School

Gateway Senior High School (Monroeville, Pennsylvania), Curriculum Consultant, 1997, 1998, 1999. Guided Gateway Senior High School faculty in development of new curriculum for 9th, 10th, 11th, and 12th grade social studies.