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DR. HELENE PAHARIK

Helene Paharik was appointed Associate Professor of Theology at Saint Vincent Seminary, Latrobe, Pennsylvania, in 2023 after defending her dissertation, “A Theology of Mission as Participation in Friendship Through, With, and In the Trinity” at the University of Fribourg. The focus of her teaching and research includes Catholic missiology and ecclesiology, Johannine literature, sacred friendship, marriage and the family, as well as Catholic-Jewish relations.

Paharik has served in pastoral leadership positions at the parish and diocesan levels. She has written dozens of articles for diocesan newspapers on pastoral ministry, spirituality, Catholic family life, and social teaching. She serves as a consultant to dioceses and parishes seeking to foster missionary discipleship. She has received several awards for her leadership and scholarship. An enthusiastic presenter, Paharik has led numerous retreats and has spoken at regional and national conferences.

She and her husband James are Benedictine Oblates and members of the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulcher of Jerusalem. They share a commitment to the Christians in the Holy Land and to peace. They are the parents of four adult children and two grandchildren. They are members of Holy Trinity Parish in Ligonier, Pennsylvania.