

**Mary Rice Hasson**



**Mary Rice Hasson, J.D.**, is the Kate O’Beirne Senior Fellow at the Ethics and Public Policy Center in Washington, D.C., where she co-founded and directs the Person and Identity Project, an initiative that equips parents and faith-based institutions to promote the truth about the human person and counter gender ideology. Mary has been a keynote speaker for the Holy See during the United Nations Commission on the Status of Women, addressing education, women and work, caregiving, and gender ideology, and serves as a consultant to the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops’ Committee on Laity, Marriage, Family, Life and Youth. She speaks frequently across the country, and has testified before the U.S. Senate, state legislatures, and the Australian parliament on parents’ rights and transgender issues. The co-author of several books on education, Mary’s writing has appeared in the *Wall Street Journal*, *Newsweek*, *National Review*, *First Things*, the *National Catholic Register* and *Our Sunday Visitor*, among others. In March 2023, Mary was the 2023 recipient of the *Christifideles Laici* award, presented at the National Catholic Prayer Breakfast. She is a graduate of the University of Notre Dame and Notre Dame Law School.

**Fr. Hans Zollner, SJ**



Hans Zollner, SJ, is Director and Professor of the Institute of Anthropology. Interdisciplinary Studies on Human Dignity and Care (IADC) at the Pontifical Gregorian University in Rome. He is consultant for the protection of minors and vulnerable persons to the Diocese of Rome and a consultant of the Dicastery for the Clergy.

### **Archbishop Charles Scicluna**



His Grace Charles J. Scicluna was born in Toronto, Canada and moved to Qormi, Malta, in 1960 and to Lija, Malta, in 1976. After completing his Seminary studies and a Licentiate in Pastoral Theology at the Faculty of Theology, Tal-Virtù, he was ordained to the Roman Catholic priesthood by the Archbishop of Malta, Monsignor Joseph Mercieca, on July 11, 1986. Monsignor Scicluna was sent to read Canon Law at the Pontifical Gregorian University in Rome and obtained the doctorate in Canon Law with specialization in Jurisprudence in 1991. After his Rome studies he worked on the Malta Metropolitan Tribunal as Defender of the Bond and was lecturer in Pastoral Theology and Canon Law at the University of Malta. In addition to serving at various parishes, he also served as Vice Rector at the Major Seminary between 1994 and 1995 when he was called to the Vatican to work on the Supreme Tribunal of the Apostolic Segnatura as Substitute Promoter of Justice.

He was appointed Postulator for the cause of beatification and canonisation of Dun Ġorġ Preca, was nominated Promoter of Justice at the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, has lectured widely on issues concerning child protection in the Church, helped with chaplaincy work at the Convent of the Nuns of Saint Bridget, Piazza Farnese, and as Extraordinary Confessor at the Venerable English College in Rome, is a Visiting Lecturer in Penal Processes at the Pontifical Gregorian University (Rome), was ordained Bishop in 2012, was nominated member of the Vatican's Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, was nominated as President of the Special College within the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, and was appointed Bishop of Malta in 2015. In 2018, Pope Francis also appointed him as Adjunct Secretary of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith of the Holy See.

### **Paul Malley**



Paul Malley is president of Aging with Dignity and directs its day-to-day activities and oversees its education, research and training programs. He has served Aging with Dignity since 1998.

## Mitch Javidi



Mitch, a seasoned peak performance and human behaviorist, brings over 35 years of hands-on experience across diverse industries such as Academia, Military, Public Safety, Government, Pharma, and Technology. He is the mastermind behind "MAGNUS OVEA," a general theory of human behaviors through 11 Rings for enhancing interoperability and interconnectivity. He co-founded MAGNUSWorx in collaboration with Jeff Kingsfield. He is also the founder and the driving force behind the National Command & Staff College, the Institute for Credible Leadership Development, and the Criminal Justice Commission for Credible Leadership Development. As a true entrepreneur, he is also the co-founder of Epochal Technologies, Inc. and Power of Awareness.

He has training from the Joint Special Operations Command and the US Army Special Operations Command and has earned numerous distinctions.

Previously he was a tenured professor at NC State University before early retirement and now is an unpaid adjunct professor at NC State and Illinois State Universities. Mitch's influence extends globally with over 10,000 conference presentations and speaking engagements for esteemed Fortune 500 companies, government entities, and law enforcement, national, and state associations.

## Sara LaChance



Sara LaChance is the founder of Stop the Movement. Stop the Movement exists to educate, equip and empower the community against exploitation and human trafficking. She is passionate about working alongside the community to keep the next generation safe in person and online. She has called Tampa Bay home for almost a decade. Her four kids keep her busy by frequenting all the local parks and ice cream shops. In her free time, she loves finding the best restaurants in the area, walking the beach and reading.

## Paul Ashton



Dr. Ashton presents workshops, courses, retreats and training seminars in Catholic dioceses across the country and internationally. His professional ministry enfolds adult education and praxis, and has included several teaching, counseling and administrative positions in schools and parishes. He also serves as a consultant to diocesan Bishops and religious community superiors.

His work in the area of child sexual abuse prevention and healing includes training facilitators, developing and implementing curricula and retreat programs, counseling, and support group facilitation development through the VIRTUS programs for over 22 years. He is the author of numerous articles and educational support materials, a chapter on vulnerable persons in *Towards Healing and Renewal* published by [Editions Dehoniane Bologna](#), and a book entitled *Etched in Hope* through ACTA Publications of Chicago.

He works with victims/survivors/thrivers of sexual abuse in the area of recovery and healing. In addition, he works with priests/religious offenders whose ministry is restricted and living a life of prayer and penance.

Paul is the founder of OPEN HEARTS HIV/AIDS Ministry and has supervised support and bereavement groups for over 30 years. Dr. Ashton holds a B.A. in religious studies, an M.A. in clinical pastoral counseling; a D.Min. in counseling and marriage and family therapy and a Psy.D. in psychology. He lives and has a private practice in Boston and West Palm Beach.