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Presenter

## *Interpretation of Congregational Triptych*

I was born in Dernbach / Westerwald, the hometown of Blessed Catherine Kasper, the foundress of the Poor Handmaids of Jesus Christ (PHJC). After my university studies at Trier, London, Oxford (scholarships) and Warwick, I took a M.A. in Politics.

In 1995 I began as assistant to the director of administration of the Herz-Jesu-Krankenhaus, Dernbach. At this time, the director administered various other hospitals and homes for the elderly, preparing and then accompanying a total change in the administrative layout. After the new layout had been established, I remained in the administration, serving in various positions such as temporary head of procurement, of controlling, of personnel, and finally as permanent head of the archives, etc. All during this time I was given the chance to develop by receiving further internal training in 'hospital quality management' and external training in 'hospital risk management' and also in 'medicinal controlling / coding' (International Classification of Diseases). During this time, I also liaised with the communications office and the archives of the hospital as well as the PHJC Motherhouse archives, publishing various histories of hospitals. Parallel to this, I continued teaching (from my very start until now) at the Dernbach nursing school.

Having always done various tasks in cooperation with or for the Dernbach Motherhouse of the PHJC, in 2009 I was given the opportunity to join the administration of the PHJC German Province archive working with Sr. M. Lucinda, PHJC as leader. Being granted external training as church archivist (2012-2013), I succeeded my much treasured predecessor.





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### **Tom Buchanan**

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Tom Buchanan has been a professor for 26 years at Ancilla College (1992 – Present). Currently he is the Division Chair of CHEBS; Professor of History. He earned his PhD and MA at Ball State University. Having worked for the FBI and taught in various prisons, Tom brings varied experiences and shares his knowledge of history and enthusiasm for U.S. Presidents. He has brought historical culture to Ancilla students with much skill and humor. Tom resides in Plymouth with his lovely wife, Carol.

