2021 THOMAS P. MADDEN AWARD

The Thomas P. Madden Award honors that member of the faculty who contributed the most to the teaching of first-year students. Nominations are submitted by first-year students and first-year advising faculty. A highly ranked teacher at all levels of the curriculum, Rev. Kevin G. Grove, C.S.C., has won renown among first-year students, who value the scholarly and spiritual depth of his courses. Students in his “Foundations of Theology” classes, including those from the Glynn Family Honors Program, consistently rank his class as an intellectually demanding and fulfilling learning experience, one that engages their minds and hearts. His approach forges a unified presentation of theology as a foundational discipline for a Catholic liberal arts core, and students applaud his innovative “First Exposures” assignments, which allow them to meaningfully bridge assigned readings with the substance of classroom discussions and lectures. He is also a faculty resident of Dunne Hall, where his invitations to students to make hummus together typically lead to profound conversations both academic and pastoral.

The University of Notre Dame is proud to present the 2021 Thomas P. Madden Award to

Rev. Kevin G. Grove, C.S.C.
Assistant Professor of Theology