



**JIM BLACKBURN**  
CATHOLIC ANSWERS SPEAKER



## WHAT YOU GET

when you invite Jim to speak at your event:

- » **A professional public speaker** who has spent thousands of hours mastering the art of delivering life-changing messages to any audience.
- » **A knowledgeable defender of the Faith** who is experienced at answering tough or even hostile questions with charity and persuasiveness.
- » **An orthodox Catholic** who is committed to the teachings of the Magisterium.
- » **A partner who is happy to help create advertising materials** that will increase attendance at your event.
- » **A speaker who enjoys greeting audiences after events**, signing books, and doing anything that helps your attendees have an unforgettable experience.

## CLIENTS



# ENDORSEMENTS

for Jim Blackburn

“I’ve had the great pleasure of sharing the speakers’ platform with Jim and watching him in action. Because of Jim’s practical apologetics skills, laity around the nation are learning to defend their faith with clarity, accuracy, and a down-to-earth winsome style. It’s one thing to know what is true; it’s an entirely different matter to present it so it brings delight to the heart. Jim can be counted upon to teach pointedly and speak joyfully about the Faith.”

» **Al Kresta – President and CEO of Ave Maria Communications and Host of Kresta in the Afternoon**

“Jim Blackburn provided our men’s conference a fresh look at mercy through the eyes of the Church. He artfully fielded questions and reassured us of God’s love, while being faithful to the Church teachings. He worked with us to insure his presentations fit with our theme and the other presentation. His engaging style and knowledge of the Faith was both challenging and reassuring. He is genuine in his love for the Faith which is evident in how he connects with his audience.”

» **Deacon Tom Bradley, Coordinator, Iowa Catholic Men’s Conference**

“It’s great to discover Catholic scholars (my word, not his) who can clearly and persuasively converse about the faith. That’s Jim Blackburn! He’s an ideal guest because he’s engaging and well spoken, but can also follow just about any line of dialogue because of his extraordinary command of our Catholic theology and history. I look forward to booking him again.”

» **Peggy Normandin, Host, *Call Me Catholic* on EWTN Radio**



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“ Jim Blackburn understands today’s issues and replies to society’s secular thinking and pervasive attitudes with Catholic teaching in a clear, concise, and kind message. His ability to relate to questions and articulate faith filled answers is inspiring. ”

» **Brenda Nonnweiler, Prince of Peace Catholic Coordinator,  
Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Honolulu Hawaii**

“ Jim Blackburn is a well-informed apologist who is able to engage his audience with clarity. Jim is able to hold the audience’s attention as he puts forward faithful teaching in understandable terms. It was a joy to have Jim at our parish, and we hope to host him again. ”

» **Keith C. Parker, MTS, Director of Faith Formation, Saint Maria Goretti Catholic Church and  
School, Arlington, Texas**

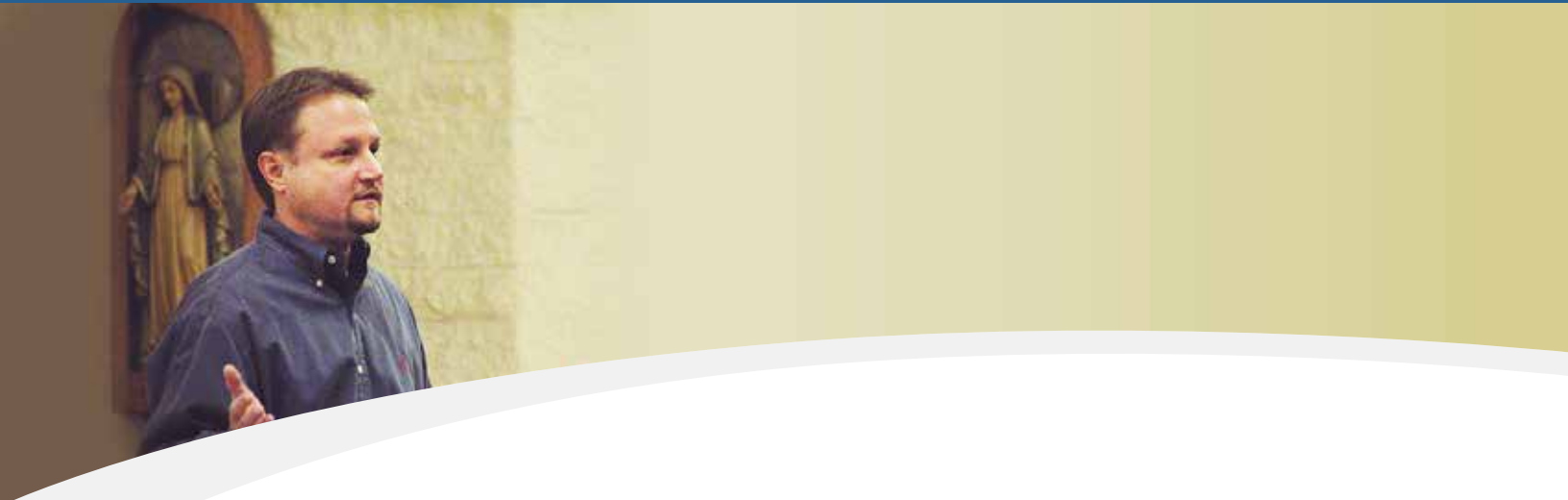
“ Jim Blackburn is an incredibly talented apologist who skillfully articulates the truth of the Catholic Faith with wisdom and grace. His inspiring and compelling presentations stimulate the mind, fill the heart, and bridge the gap between knowing the Faith and living it. Jim’s clear, lucid style captures your attention and keeps it. ”

» **Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers, Catholic author, speaker, and evangelist**

“ Jim Blackburn is a very excellent speaker on religious topics. He is well informed, orthodox, and he proclaims Catholic doctrine and morality in an effective and attractive way. I highly recommend him for any audience. ”

» **Msgr. Larry Gibson, St. Kilian Church, Mission Viejo, California**





## **ABOUT**

### **Jim Blackburn**

Jim Blackburn is a Catholic Apologist, Author, and Speaker. He holds a Masters Degree in Theology from John Paul the Great Catholic University and is the author of several books including 101 Quick Questions With Catholic Answers: Marriage, Divorce, and Annulment, 20 Answers: Scripture and Tradition, and 20 Answers: The Papacy. Jim supervised the Q&A department during his tenure with Catholic Answers where he has also contributed dozens of articles to Catholic Answers Magazine as well as been a regular guest on the Catholic Answers Live radio program for more than ten years.



# TALKS

by Jim Blackburn

## **MISTER MISUNDERSTOOD: POPE FRANCIS AND THE YEAR OF MERCY**

Does mercy mean not judging? Jim explains the Church's true teaching on mercy and explores Pope Francis's writings to uncover the pontiff's understanding of this controversial topic.

## **HOW TO VOTE LIKE A REAL CATHOLIC**

Voting is a complex and often very personal matter. Jim explains how real Catholics apply their faith to today's biggest issues and most sensitive topics in the voting booth.

## **AUTHORITY: THE FOUNDATION FOR APOLOGETICS**

To whom shall we go for answers about faith and morals? Jim explores the early formation of the authoritative Magisterium of the Catholic Church, apostolic succession, early defences of the Faith, and the continuing need for apologetics in the Church today.

## **THE BIBLE: ITS HISTORY, WHAT IT IS, AND WHAT IT IS NOT**

Is the Bible all we need? Jim examines the development and canonization of the Bible, as well as what the Bible has to say about itself and how to respond to anti-Catholic claims about the Bible that the Bible doesn't actually support.

## **THE SACRAMENTS: CHALLENGES AND BIBLICAL EVIDENCE**

Jim tackles common questions about—and anti-Catholic assaults on—the sacraments, the life-giving signs of grace instituted by Christ and entrusted to the Catholic Church.

## **THE FAITH: COMMON OBJECTIONS WITH CONCISE ANSWERS**

Jim addresses many of the most common challenges to the Faith faced by Catholics today, including questions about God, the Church, Mary, the saints, indulgences, and more.

## **MORAL ISSUES: ABORTION, HOMOSEXUALITY, CONTRACEPTION**

Jim offers clear, reasonable—and Catholic—teaching on three of today's most controversial moral topics.



## TALKS

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### **MARRIAGE ISSUES: WEDDINGS, DIVORCE, ANNULMENT, REMARRIAGE**

Jim gets to the heart of this widely misunderstood area of Church teaching, addressing questions about marriage that even most Catholics can't answer.

### **THE DOMESTIC CHURCH: GOD'S PLAN FOR YOUR MARRIAGE AND FAMILY**

Christians should approach marriage and the family as an image of Christ and the Church—as the “domestic Church.” Jim equips his audience with the tools to build genuine families founded on authentic marriages that are divorce-proof for life.

### **VATICAN II: WHAT REALLY HAPPENED?**

Jim examines the foundations for the Church's ecumenical councils and explores a brief history of those leading up to Vatican II. He then delves into authentic Vatican II teaching and post-conciliar controversies.

### **SCANDAL IN THE CHURCH: NOTHING NEW UNDER THE SUN**

Jim addresses the priest abuse scandal in the United States, explores what really happened as well as the Church's response to it, and explains how faithful Catholics should respond to it today.

### **THE TRINITY IN 5, 4, 3, 2, 1**

Jim walks through a theological explanation of the Trinity, bringing this thought-provoking mystery to life. He explores the Trinity in terms of its five notions, four relations, three persons, two processions, and one nature.

### **THE TEMPTATIONS OF ADAM AND CHRIST: UNDERSTANDING THE THREEFOLD LUST**

Beginning with the Garden of Eden, Jim examines Adam's fall into Original Sin, explores how Jesus' temptations by Satan reverse Adam's fall, and discusses how the same “threefold lust” Adam and Jesus both experienced is a cross we all must deal with today.

### **OLD TESTAMENT SHADOWS: ISRAEL PREFIGURES THE CHURCH**

New Testament realities are prefigured in Old Testament shadows: “The New Testament lies hidden in the Old and the Old Testament is unveiled in the New.” In this talk Jim explores Moses and ancient Israel as they prefigure Christ and the Church.

### **OPEN FORUM Q&A**

Always a favorite—just like on Catholic Answers Live—Jim takes questions from the audience and provides lively, thoughtful, and often entertaining answers that are always faithful to the magisterial teaching of the Catholic Church.

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