



The keynote speaker for the 2026 meeting of the Academy of Homiletics is Pádraig Ó Tuama, acclaimed poet, theologian, and recently appointed Professor in the Practice of Spirituality at Yale Divinity School. His presentation, “Theopoetics and Preaching,” addresses the following:

*What would a theopoetic-infused approach to preaching look like? What does it offer in terms of creativity, imagination and connection? What does such an approach cost? In this online contribution, Pádraig Ó Tuama will offer examples and insights into the depths, deliveries and demands of theopoetics and preaching.*

Many of our Academy members know Ó Tuama through his podcast, *Poetry Unbound* from On Being Studios (NPR). His numerous poetry collections include *Being Here: Prayers for Curiosity, Justice, and Love* (Eerdmans Press), *Kitchen Hymns* (Copper Canyon Press), and *Love Between Men* (forthcoming, Copper Canyon Press).

Ó Tuama holds a BA Div validated by the Pontifical College of Maynooth, a MTh from Queen’s University Belfast, and he recently received a PhD in Theology through Creative Practice at the University of Glasgow exploring poetry, Irishness, and religion.