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Gérald Cyprien Cardinal Lacroix receives an honorary doctorate from Saint Paul University

Ottawa, November 8, 2016 – On November 4, Saint Paul University conferred an honorary doctorate on Gérald Cyprien Cardinal Lacroix, Archbishop of Québec, in recognition of his outstanding contribution to the religious, community and charitable sectors in Québec.



Left to right: Mgr. Terrence Prendergast, Archbishop of Ottawa, Gérald Cyprien Cardinal Lacroix, Archbishop of Québec, Chantal Beauvais, Rector, Saint Paul University

“I am honoured to receive an honorary doctorate from Saint Paul University, an institution I greatly admire,” said Cardinal Lacroix. “I accept this recognition with profound gratitude to my family, the Pius X Secular Institute, and the Archdiocese of Québec, for their role in shaping my personal and spiritual life. I am pleased to serve the Church and humankind, in communion with Pope Francis, at this point in our history.”

“Gérald Cyprien Lacroix is part of the first group of bishops and archbishops called by Pope Francis to serve the Universal Church as cardinals. As such, he brings honour to Canada and the Archdiocese of Québec, the primatial see of the Church in Canada,” declared Mgr. Terrence Prendergast, Archbishop of Ottawa. “I am pleased that Saint Paul University has granted him an honorary doctorate. He richly deserves this recognition from our university.”

“The university community applauds Cardinal Lacroix’s leadership, not only within the Church in Canada but internationally, particularly through his diplomatic work to resolve a delicate situation that threatened the unique and valuable contribution of the Pontifical Catholic University of Peru to the global ecosystem of Catholic universities,” said Chantal Beauvais, Rector of Saint Paul University.

Saint Paul University is the founding college (1848) of the University of Ottawa, with which it has been federated since 1965. Bilingual and on a human scale, it offers programs in social communication, counselling and psychotherapy, canon law, public ethics, conflict studies, philosophy, human relations, and theology.

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