

MEDIA ADVISORY

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Saint Paul University to confer honorary doctorate on Father Gustavo Gutiérrez

OTTAWA, November 3, 2014 – On Friday, November 7, 2014, Saint Paul University will proudly grant an honorary doctorate to Father Gustavo Gutiérrez.

Gustavo Gutiérrez, O.P., is a Peruvian theologian and Dominican priest regarded as one of the principal founders of liberation theology in Latin America. The movement began as a modest theological stream in the early 1970s in Latin America. It gained impetus with the Second Vatican Council and led to unparalleled contributions to cementing the relationship between Christian faith and commitment to the poor.

What: Doctorate Honoris Causa Ceremony – Father Gustavo Gutiérrez

When: Friday, November 7, 2014, at 7 p.m.

Where: De Mazenod Chapel, Saint Paul University, 223 Main Street, Ottawa

Father Gutiérrez will be in Ottawa as the guest speaker at the symposium *The Global Cry of the People: Mining Extracting and Justice*. For more information, please visit the symposium <u>website</u>.

Saint Paul University (1848) is the founding college 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 and leadership, counselling and psychotherapy, canon law, public ethics and philosophy, conflict studies, human relations and theology.

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