Ottawa, October 12, 2011 – Saint Paul University (SPU) is pleased to announce the official opening of the Research Centre for Vatican II and 21st Century Catholicism. A press conference will be held on Thursday, October 13, at 4:00 p.m. in the cafeteria of Laframboise Hall at SPU (223 Main Street).

The Research Centre promotes inter-university collaboration in the study of the Second Vatican Council and its role for the Church in the 21st century in dialogue with Christian churches, religions and society. The founding members of the centre come from the three largest Catholic faculties of theology in Canada: professors Catherine Clifford (Saint Paul University, Ottawa), Gilles Routhier (Université Laval, Québec) and Michael Attridge (St. Michael’s College, University of Toronto). They have co-edited a collection of essays in English and French entitled Vatican II: Expériences canadiennes / Canadian experiences (University of Ottawa Press, 2011), which will be launched at the press conference.

The Research Centre for Vatican II and 21st Century Catholicism supports Saint Paul University’s mission and confirms its position as a leader in this field as it fosters, through critical thinking, the analysis of social and religious change, especially in the context of today’s challenges.

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