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Saint Paul University presents “Vatican II for the Next Generation conference”

OTTAWA, June 26, 2012 - Saint Paul University is proud to present the “Vatican II for the Next Generation” conference, which will take place on September 27 to 29, 2012.

Last October, the University officially launched the Research Centre for Vatican II and 21st Century Catholicism. This Research Centre promotes inter-university collaborative research on the Second Vatican Council and its importance for the Church of the 21st century in dialogue with Christian churches, other religions and society. The upcoming conference is the first major event to be organized by the Centre and is directly related to its mission.

“Vatican II for the Next Generation” brings together many distinguished guests. The three main lectures will be given by Christoph Theobald, SJ, Professor of Fundamental and Dogmatic Theology at Centre Sèvres, Paris; Cardinal Peter Turkson, President of the Pontifical Council for Justice and Peace in Rome; and Richard R. Gaillardetz, Joseph McCarthy Professor of Catholic Systematic Theology at Boston College. A number of workshops and plenary sessions will also be offered during the three days of the conference. Special guests include several bishops and theologians who contributed to the Council between 1962 and 1965. “This conference will create a space for participants to engage in informative conversation with a view to pastoral renewal, faith formation and professional development. We have invited very interesting guests who will facilitate discussions and lead people to reflect on key issues,” says Catherine Clifford, a professor at Saint Paul University and one of the Centre’s founding members.

Information on registration and the full conference program are available on the University website at ustpaul.ca. By registering before June 30, participants can take advantage of a reduced rate. This conference was made possible thanks to the participation of Novalis/Bayard.

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