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Molloy College Presents “In Our Times” Nostra Aetate – The Vatican and The Jews

Molloy College’s Center for Christian and Jewish Studies is proud to present on Sunday, February, 13, 2005 at 3:00 p.m. in the Multipurpose Room, Wilbur Arts Center, “In Our Times” Nostra Aetate – The Vatican and the Jews. This event is free and open to the public.

Particularly now, when the Pope welcomed 140 Rabbis to the Vatican, the topic of the Vatican and the Jews could not be more timely.

“As a result of the visionary Pope John XXIII and the edict called Vatican II which followed, barriers that divided the Catholic Church and Judaism have greatly diminished,” stated Marion Lowenthal, Director, Molloy Center for Christian and Jewish Studies. “People of both faiths have discovered commonalities in both religions in Christian/Jewish worship rituals, and there is greater understanding and acceptance of each other’s faith.”

Some ask: Could some of the traditions and mysteries of religion been lost or possibly diluted because of the easing of strict adherence? This program will address the positive and negative impact of Vatican II.

Sister Vicky Toale, Assistant Professor, Theology and Religious Studies, Molloy College, and Rabbi Bruce Ginsburg, Congregation Sons of Israel, Woodmere, will lead the interfaith discussion which will focus on the effect of Vatican II on each religion. Comments from the audience will be welcome.

This is the sixth year of existence for the Center for Christian and Jewish Studies. The motto of the Center is: Learn – Understand – Appreciate – Respect – Accept one another, but Never Just Tolerate!

For further information and to receive a brochure about upcoming events sponsored by the Center for Christian and Jewish Studies, please call Marion Lowenthal or Jessie Prasad at 516-678-5000 extension 6218.