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Molloy College Presents **“What Does Right and Wrong Have To Do With Good and Evil?”** **How Religion, Ethics and Values Affect Your Everyday Life**

As part of its Crossroads of Faith and Culture series, Molloy College invites the community to engage in a discussion examining “What Does Right and Wrong Have To Do With Good and Evil: How Religion, Ethics and Values Affect Your Everyday Life.” Reverend James F. Keenan, Professor of Theological Ethics, Boston College, will examine the banality of evil and whether a correlation necessarily exists between faith and ethical behavior. This program will be presented on Sunday, April 10, 2005 at 3:00 p.m. in the Hays Theatre at Molloy College, Rockville Centre.

Current events and history testify that humankind often has difficulty distinguishing between good and evil. But have we become so jaded toward suffering and social injustices that acceptance of the unacceptable suggests a realistic view of human nature? And does a disregard for traditional religious values indicate progress or a decline in human judgment? Father Keenan, a Jesuit priest, holds the Gasson Chair of Theology at Boston College and has taught moral theology at the Jesuit Weston School of Theology in Cambridge, MA for the past twelve years, will address this issue. Father Keenan has roots on Long Island, having attended Holy Family Diocesan High School and Fordham University. He also taught theology at Fordham and was an assistant at St. Joseph’s Church in Kings Park.

“We are excited to have Father Keenan lead this discussion,” stated S. Dorothy Fitzgibbons, O.P, Vice President of Mission, Molloy College. “He is an expert in moral theology. His extensive educational background includes attending the Pontifical Gregorian University where he specialized in the theology of St. Thomas Aquinas.”

For additional information about the program, contact the Office for Mission at 516- 678-5000, ext. 6205, or the Center for Christian/Jewish Studies on ext.6880.

The Crossroads of Faith and Culture Series was initiated by Molloy College President Dr. Drew Bogner in response to the events that occurred on September 11, 2001. The Office of Mission, headed by S. Dorothy Fitzgibbons, O.P. coordinates Molloy College’s Crossroads Series.

The Center for Christian/Jewish Studies at Molloy College was established in 1999 in a spirit of intellectual and collaborative respect to promote dialogue and understanding between Christians and Jews. The goal of the Center is to increase knowledge of one another, pointing out that both religions share much history, many values, and a deep philosophic background. The Center also sponsors workshops and seminars to exchange viewpoints and to examine topics of equal importance to individuals of both religious traditions.