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Molloy College Hosts Earth-Based Spirituality Discussion

The Office for Mission at Molloy College will host a discussion on "Earth-Based Spirituality in the Dominican Tradition" on Monday, April 23, 2007 at 12:15 p.m. in the Hays Theatre. Sister Margaret Galiardi, O.P., will discuss the connection between theology and the environment, a holistic approach known as "earth-based spirituality." This event is free and open to the public.

A Dominican Sister since 1964, Sister Margaret has taught elementary school, worked in parishes, coordinated programs for the homeless and spent years working at the Intercommunity Center for Justice and Peace in Manhattan. In addition, she served as the Director of Ministry for her congregation and served as Co-promoter of Justice for North America for the world-wide Dominican order.

Recently, she has been studying and lecturing on earth-based and eco-spirituality. She has written a book on this topic, *Encountering Mystery in the Wilderness: One Woman's Vision Quest*. As Associate Director of Homecoming, an organization committed to understanding the sacred connection between the human and natural community, Sister Margaret has lectured nationally on a holistic approach to global consciousness that incorporates spirituality and ecology.

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