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University of St. Thomas Hosts Conference for Relationships, Family and Faith In Today's Culture

WHAT: "Twitter! Twitter!: Connecting and Loving in the Age of Me," a conference sponsored by the University of St. Thomas Center for Faith & Culture for college students and their friends on dating, relationships, family and faith.

WHO: Speakers will discuss relationships, family and faith in today's culture.

- **Rev. Donald S. Nesti, CSSp**; director, Center for Faith and Culture, UST
- **Dr. Catherine Barber**; assistant professor, Menninger Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences, Baylor College of Medicine
- **Dr. Joseph and Catherine Garcia-Prats**; Joseph is the chief of the Neonatology Department, Ben Taub Hospital.
- **Dr. Prachi Shah**; board-certified developmental and behavioral pediatrician, Texas Children's Hospital and assistant professor of pediatrics, Baylor College of Medicine
- **Jeff Crandall**; director of Religious Formation, St. Anne Catholic Church

WHEN: 6:30 to 9 p.m., Friday, Sept. 25
9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 26

WHERE: University of St. Thomas
Scanlan Room, Jerabeck Center, 4000 Mt. Vernon
Parking: Moran Center, 3807 Graustark at W. Alabama $2

Background: The conference will cover how to integrate social, cultural, spiritual and psychological views of relationships, marriage and family in today's mentality. The focus will be on self-awareness and the capacity for meaningful relationships regardless of state of vocation in life. Fr. Nesti is the introductory speaker and will discuss the sociological context. Barber will discuss the psychological development of the self. The Garcia-Prats will discuss relating in the context of marriage and parenting. Shah will discuss parenting as God parents us. Crandall will discuss human's capacity to become love for others as a gift from God.

Cost: $10 for UST and non-UST students; $15 for the general public. (Includes continental breakfast and lunch.) Students and their friends are highly encouraged to attend.

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To register, visit www.stthom.edu/cfc to download a printable form and instructions.