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**University of St. Thomas Presents  
His Eminence Daniel Cardinal DiNardo**

University of St. Thomas Catholic Intellectual Tradition Lecture Series presents His Eminence Daniel Cardinal DiNardo, “Faith and Reason in the Modern Catholic University.” The lecture will be held at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 1 at UST Jones Hall, 3910 Yoakum.

Cardinal DiNardo will examine Pope John Paul II’s encyclical, “Fides et Ratio,” in which the Pope addresses modern scientists, theologians and philosophers to provide appropriate use of the human capacity to know truth through faith and reason. He will also discuss the role of the Catholic university in promoting and sustaining the proper relationship between faith and reason.

In 2007, Cardinal DiNardo, Archbishop of Galveston-Houston, was elevated to the College of Cardinals by Benedict XVI at St. Peter’s Basilica. He became a member of the Pontifical Council for Culture in January 2009. The Council promotes the dialogue with contemporary cultures, and maintains open communication with scientists and artists, so the “men and women of science, letters and arts may know that the Church acknowledges their work as a service to truth, goodness and beauty.”

Cardinal DiNardo also serves on the Board of Directors of both the University of St. Thomas and the Catholic University of America, where he earned his master’s degree in philosophy.

In 1995, St. Thomas created the Catholic Intellectual Tradition Lecture Series to explore the wisdom and the riches of this tradition. The Series’ purpose is to counteract the tendency to think of religion and intellectual life as adversaries.

The lecture is free and open to the public. Parking is available for \$2 in the Moran Center, 3807 Graustark at W. Alabama. For more information, contact Valerie Hall at 713-525-2163.

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