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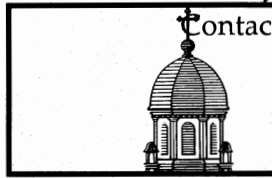
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NEWS RELEASE

CARDINAL AVERY DULLES, INTERNATIONALLY RENOWNED THEOLOGIAN, TO RECEIVE UNIVERSITY OF DAYTON 2004 MARIANIST AWARD

DAYTON, Ohio — Avery Dulles, S.J., the first American theologian who is not a bishop to be named to the College of Cardinals, will receive the University of Dayton 2004 Marianist Award at 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 8, in the Kennedy Union east ballroom.

Dulles will speak on "The Faith of a Theologian" in an address that will follow the award presentation. A reception will follow in the west ballroom. The events are open to the public.

Dulles is the Laurence J. McGinley Professor of Religion and Society at Fordham University. "For more than 40 years, Avery Dulles has contributed original theological work that is both faithful to Catholic tradition and fresh in its engagement with the contemporary world," said history professor Una Cadegan, who chairs UD's Forum on the Catholic Intellectual Tradition Today. "He is a wonderful example of the integration of faith and scholarship the Marianist Award is intended to honor."

The author of more than 700 articles on theological topics, Dulles has published 22 books including *Models of the Church* (1974), *Models of Revelation* (1983), *The Assurance of Things Hoped For: A Theology of Christian Faith* (1994), *The New World of Faith* (2000), and *Newman* (2002). His book *The Splendor of Faith: The Theological Vision of Pope John Paul II* was revised in 2003 for the 25th anniversary of the papal election.

In 2001 he was created a cardinal by Pope John Paul II.

"His world is so austere, so stripped of affectation and accessory, that it is hard to

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imagine the Rev. Avery Dulles donning the white cape, scarlet robe, red skullcap and solid gold ring traditionally conferred on a Roman Catholic cardinal," the *Washington Post* wrote in 2001. "This is, after all, a man known to layer the soles of his shoes with duct tape. That way, they last longer. He's not sure if he does it out of 'fidelity to my vow of poverty or just plain stinginess.'"

Dulles, 86, is past president of both the Catholic Theological Society of America and the American Theological Society. He has served on the International Theological Commission and as a member of the United States Lutheran/Roman Catholic Coordinating Committee. He is an adviser to the Committee on Doctrine of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops.

The University of Dayton has presented the Marianist Award annually since 1986 to honor Catholic scholars who have made outstanding contributions to the intellectual life. Recent recipients include Peter and Margaret O'Brien Steinfels, Mary Douglas, Mary Ann Glendon and Marcia L. Colish.

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