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Cardinal Michael Czerny, SJ to Visit Catholic Theological Union To Give Lecture on the Consistent Ethic of Life and Fratelli Tutti

Aug 26, 2022 – Chicago. On September 17, Cardinal Michael Czerny, SJ, who serves as Prefect of the Vatican’s Dicastery for Promoting Integral Human Development and is “a right-hand man” to Pope Francis, will travel from Rome to Hyde Park, Chicago to give a keynote lecture as part of a conference entitled “Life, Solidarity, Fraternity: The Consistent Ethic of Life in Light of Fratelli Tutti.” The conference is sponsored by Catholic Theological Union’s Bernardin Center, which continues the late Cardinal Joseph Bernardin’s ministry of reconciliation and peacemaking, interreligious dialogue, leadership development for the Catholic church, the consistent ethic of life, and the search for common ground in the church and the world through various events and programs.

“With his 2020 encyclical Fratelli Tutti, Pope Francis gave us a new language of social friendship to use about social and political problems. In this polarized time, Cardinal Czerny will challenge us to see each person as friend for whom we are always responsible, whether it be the unborn, the migrant, or just someone from another political party,” says Steven P. Millies who is Director of the Bernardin Center and Professor of Public Theology at CTU. “A scholar himself with a doctorate from the University of Chicago, Cardinal Czerny can connect the theory of the consistent ethic to its practice in a way unlike anyone else in the world today.”

The lecture will take place at 7:00pm CT on Saturday, September 17 at CTU’s James and Catherine Denny Center, 5416 S. Cornell Avenue in Chicago. The event is free and open to the public, with complementary parking available in the CTU garage. The event will also be streamed online.

To register, please visit https://ctu.edu/event/life-solidarity-fraternity/

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