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## STUDENTS AT ST. PATRICK'S AND URSULINE COLLEGE LINK WITH VATICAN OBSERVATORY FOR SPECIAL SCIENCE LESSON

Students at St. Patrick's Catholic High School in Sarnia and Ursuline College in Chatham will link via the internet with Brother Guy Consolmagno, Director of the Vatican Observatory for a very special science lesson this Wednesday.

"Students have very challenging questions about faith and science," says Ann Clarke, Chaplaincy Leader at St. Patrick's Catholic High School. "This live event is an opportunity for them to have their questions answered by a leader in the field – someone who has a deep understanding of how our faith aligns with what science teaches us."

Brother Guy is a planetary scientist, whose area of research includes asteroids and meteorites. He has a tremendous ability to communicate advanced areas of science in a way that is understandable to the general public.

Students from both high schools have prepared questions ahead of the presentation and they will also have the opportunity to ask additional questions during the live event.

Classes from all grade levels and subject areas have been invited to participate.

The Vatican Observatory is one of the oldest astronomical institutes in the world. Its roots can be traced to the reign of Pope Gregory XIII, with the founding of a committee to study scientific data and the implications involved in the reform of the calendar in 1582.

The live event with Brother Guy Consolmagno, Director of the Vatican Observatory will be held on <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>December 9</u>, <u>2020 from 1:00 p.m. until 2:00 p.m</u>. Members of the media are invited to join at the link below:

#### https://tinyurl.com/y2j7jo5c

Instructions (PC)

- 1. Click on the Event URL.
- 2. Select 'Watch on the web instead' or if you have Microsoft Teams, select Open.
- 3. Select 'Join anonymously' (or as an Attendee in Teams app).