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MEDIA ADVISORY

WASHINGTON, D.C., May 3, 2011 - Washington Theological Union (WTU) will graduate thirty-two students for service to the Church, as priests or lay ecclesial ministers at its 42nd Graduation Ceremony on Friday, May 6, 2011, 2:30PM, at Trinity Washington University, Washington, DC. The Graduation Address will be given by W. Shepherdson Abell, Finance Council member of the Archdiocese of Washington; the James A. Valedictor Address will be given by Michael J. Castrilli, OSFS, 2011 Valedictorian; and the Professor Emeritus Award will awarded to Rev. Donald W. Buggert, O.Carm., Professor of WTU's Department of Systematic and Moral Theology.

WHAT: Washington Theological Union hosts 42nd Graduation Ceremony

WHEN: Friday, May 6, 2011, 2:30PM

WHERE: The Trinity Center at Trinity Washington University
125 Michigan Avenue, NE
Washington, D.C. 20117

DETAILS: Speakers include: W. Shepherdson Abell, Rev. Donald W. Buggert, O.Carm., and Michael J. Castrilli, OSFS.

Washington Theological Union has educated men and women for ministry in the Roman Catholic Church for forty years. Founded as a coalition of seminaries for men in religious communities, the Union has earned a reputation as one of the finest graduate schools for ministry in the United States. Graduates often pursue doctoral studies at major Catholic institutions as well as minister and teach around the world in settings as diverse as suburban and inner-city parishes, high school and college campuses, hospitals and hospices, homeless shelters and prison ministries. The student body consists of Catholic religious men and women, laity, ordained ministers, and students from other Christian traditions who are part of the Washington Theological Consortium. More information about the Washington Theological Union is available at www.wtu.edu.