

Navarre Plans Honorary Doctorate for Cardinal Rouco and Mary Ann Glendon

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(Zenit.org).- The University of

Navarre, now marking its 50th year, will confer a doctorate "honoris causa" on Cardinal Antonio María Rouco, archbishop of Madrid, and Mary Ann Glendon of Harvard University.

The ceremony will take place sometime in 2003, the academic center reported. Navarre has conferred a honorary doctorate on 29 individuals distinguished internationally in their respective fields.

Glendon is Learned Hand Professor of Law at Harvard. In 1998, the National Law Journal named her one of the 50 most influential women lawyers in America. Her areas of expertise include international human rights and comparative constitutional law in the United States and Europe. She represented John Paul II at the International

Conference on Woman, held in Beijing in 1995.

Cardinal Rouco obtained a licentiate in theology from the University of Salamanca in 1958. He later received a doctorate in canon law from the University of Munich.

John Paul II appointed him archbishop of Madrid in 1994, and made him a cardinal in 1998. Since 1999, the cardinal has been president of the Spanish bishops' conference.

Cardinal Rouco has published numerous books and scientific works in Spanish and foreign reviews on the theological foundation of canon law and the problems of church-state relations.

Navarre was founded in 1952 by Josemaría Escrivá de Balaguer, and it is a corporate work of the Opus Dei, a personal prelature of the Catholic

Church. Blessed Escrivá will be canonized next month.

The university has 12,417 undergraduates, 1,148 doctoral candidates, 2,874 master's, specialized and other studies candidates. The university offers 27 degrees and over 300 graduate programs in 10 schools. Its University Clinic attends to 100,000 patients a year.

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