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Cynthia Rossano to Speak on Selected Writings of Peter J. Gomes at Pilgrim Hall Museum

Pilgrim Hall Museum is pleased to host editor Cythia Wight Rossano who will speak on the new book, *Durable Values: Selected Writings of Peter J. Gomes.* The lecture and book signing will take place on Wednesday, May 14 at 7 p.m.

Rossano is a writer and editor who for nearly thirty years was sole editor to the late Reverend Peter J. Gomes, Plummer Professor of Christian Morals and Pusey Minister in The Memorial Church, Harvard University. Together they published numerous articles, papers and books, including the *New York Times* and national best-seller, *The Good Book: Reading the Bible with Mind and Heart*.

Durable Values contains selections from the sermons, addresses, speeches, and lectures given by Peter J. Gomes, both in his home pulpit of The Memorial Church, Harvard University, and in pulpits and on stages and platforms around the world. In publishing this book, Rossano has completed a work that Rev. Gomes intended to assemble.

Topics of the selected works range from Rev. Gomes's growing-up years in Plymouth, his college years at Bates College, Harvard Divinity School, Tuskegee Institute, and Harvard University, and other key influences in his life.

Rev. Gomes was active in many community organizations in Plymouth, including the Pilgrim Society and Pilgrim Hall Museum for which he served as a trustee and helped organize major fundraising efforts, publications and programs.

The lecture is free of charge. Pilgrim Hall Museum is located at 75 Court Street, Plymouth. Following the lecture, Rossano will be available to sign books. Copies of the book will be available for purchase at Pilgrim Hall Museum.

The event is sponsored by PartyLite.

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Pilgrim Hall Museum is located at 75 Court Street (Route 3A), Plymouth, Massachusetts 02360. Information: 508-746-1620; Web site: <u>www.pilgrimhallmuseum.org</u>

Hours: 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. 7 days a week. The Museum is closed on Christmas Day and the month of January. **Admission:** Adults \$8.00; seniors (62+) \$7:00 and AAA members \$6.00; Children (5-17) \$5.00; Families (2 adults with their children aged 5-17) \$25.00. Residents of Plymouth, Massachusetts are admitted free.