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## ***God's Mechanics*** **How Scientists and Engineers Make Sense of Religion**

A talk by Brother Guy Consolmagno, S.J.

Sunday, March 2, 2008

4:00 p.m.

The Women's Club of Palo Alto  
475 Homer Avenue, Palo Alto

*Open to the public. Free will donations gratefully accepted.*

Guy Consolmagno is an astronomer, lecturer and curator of one of the world's largest meteorite collections. A highly regarded planetary scientist, his studies also include asteroids and dwarf planets. He is the author of several popular books, including *Brother Astronomer: Adventures of a Vatican Scientist*, and a popular telescope guide, *Turn Left at Orion*. He is likely the only Jesuit brother with an asteroid named in his honor (4597 Consolmagno), affectionately known as "Little Guy." A scientist and a person of faith, Brother Guy is uniquely able to discuss the issues, tensions and relationships surrounding scientists and religion.

Brother Guy's topic for the Gill lecture is taken from his latest book, *God's Mechanics, How Scientists and Engineers make Sense of Religion*.

What others say about *God's Mechanics*:

"A prominent Vatican astronomer takes up the problem of presenting the Christian faith to his fellow 'techies.' After analyzing their scientific modes of thinking, Consolmagno proposes ways of speaking to their mentality..."

—Avery Cardinal Dulles, S.J., Professor, Fordham University

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**The Walter Gill Lecture on Science and Religion**

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**From 101:** Take the Palo Alto University Avenue exit west, and follow it into downtown Palo Alto. Turn left on Cowper Street, go three blocks to Homer, a one-way street heading west. Turn right; the Club is on the right. Park on the street.

**From 280:** Take the Alpine Road exit in Menlo Park. Proceed toward the east on Alpine; it intersects with Junipero Serra—turn left, get in the right hand lane and make the next right turn onto Sand Hill Road. Follow Sand Hill down past the Stanford Shopping Center to El Camino. Turn right on El Camino and follow the signs to University Avenue. Left under El Camino to University. Continue down University to Cowper St., turn right and go three blocks to Homer. Right on Homer, a one-way street, to the Club on the right. Park on the street.

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