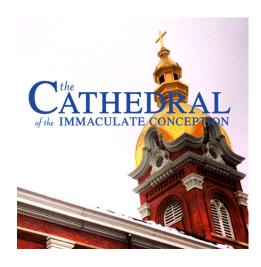
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April 11, 2024

Dear Members and Friends of the Cathedral,

This Sunday Bishop Johnston celebrates the annual Neophyte Mass at 11 a.m. We welcome to the cathedral those who have joined the Catholic Church from around the diocese. Father Ken will celebrate reconciliation and Mass on Saturday. I'll preside Sunday at 9 a.m. and 8 p.m.

We've turned on the air conditioning inside the cathedral this week to make it comfortable for you upon your arrival.

Young adults, you are welcome to Catholics and Coffee over at Spokes on Washington after the 11 a.m. Mass. Someone asked me this week, "How do you define 'young'?" We don't. If you consider yourself a young adult, come on over.

On Wednesday night I'll give a presentation about the Eucharistic Prayer of the Mass. We're designing this evening as a gathering of our liturgical ministries to continue their faith formation, but everyone is welcome. We'll meet inside the cathedral. Please come for my presentation at 6:30 p.m.

Many of you have met Kevin Flattery, who is helping us raise funds for our building project. Kevin's wife Karen died earlier this year, and her funeral will be Tuesday morning at Beth Torah in Overland Park. I'll be going over there to contribute my prayers. May Karen's memory be eternal.

Please register for Behold KC here:

https://www.eventbrite.com/e/behold-kc-eucharistic-celebration-tickets-794453821767?af f=oddtdtcreator. We anticipate a gathering of thousands of Catholics for Mass and eucharistic adoration. Hold the date: May 4.

Information on the annual dinner, auction and raffle is here: https://morningglory.ticketspice.com/cathedral-dinner-and-auction-2024. Please join us on Thursday, May 16, at the Catholic Center.

I am in the process of finalizing terms for a diocesan loan to cover the last of the expenses on our building project. If you are in a position to pay off your pledge early, that would help us limit the amount we need to borrow. The loan will cost us 7%. Thanks to those who have joined me in these contributions.

The new building is moving along nicely. We are still on schedule to open in just a couple of months. Now you can see how beautiful it will look in its limestone cladding. The windows are going in, and the interior looks wonderfully inviting. For the longest time we've been calling it "the new building," but it needs a better name. I've discussed this with Bishop Johnston, and he has asked if we would name the building for the first bishop of Kansas City, John Hogan. I'm happy to announce to all of you that "the new building" will be called the Bishop Hogan Center, and one of its main features will be Father Donnelly Hall, named for our first pastor.

I've missed my YouTube live session the last couple of Fridays, but I expect to be back on tomorrow. I'll explain why then. Join me!

In Christ,

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