Bishop Madden Ordination in Two Weeks

Bishop-elect Denis J. Madden will be ordained an Auxiliary Bishop for the Archdiocese of Baltimore on August 24, 2005. He will also serve as Urban Vicar to the more than 56,000 Catholics in 50 parishes in Baltimore City.

Bishop Madden's ordination Mass will begin at 2:00 p.m. at the Cathedral of Mary Our Queen, 5200 N. Charles Street in Baltimore. Admission is by ticket only.

Ordained in 1967 for the Benedictine Community of St. Paul's Abbey in Newton, New Jersey, Father Madden received a Ph.D. in Psychology from the University of Notre Dame in 1973. He moved to Baltimore that same year and took a position in the Psychology program at the University of Maryland, while also working part-time as a marriage and family counselor for Associated Catholic Charities. In spite of his busy schedule, Father Madden frequently made time to celebrate Mass at St. Martin's in West Baltimore and to provide long and short term counseling to many of the priests and religious sisters in the Archdiocese.

In 1976, his request for incardination to the Archdiocese of Baltimore was granted.

As Urban Vicar, Bishop Madden will succeed Bishop Gordon Bennett, who was installed as Bishop of Mandeville, Jamaica last year. Among his duties as Auxiliary Bishop, he will assist in the administration of the Sacrament of Confirmation throughout the Archdiocese of Baltimore.

Media note:

A media availability is scheduled to take place prior to the ordination at approximately 1:00 p.m. in the Cathedral Parish Center, located behind the Cathedral. Media are also invited to attend the ordination Mass.

Please note the following Press/Media Policies and Procedures established by the

Cathedral of Mary Our Queen:

- No media vehicles are permitted to park or set up on the main driveway in front of the Cathedral. All vehicles must be parked in the assigned spaces immediately to the south of the Cathedral.
- Reporters may not conduct interviews inside the Cathedral or on the front steps. Interviews may only be conducted on the main plaza.
- Camera crews are permitted only in the side aisles inside the Cathedral to film during Mass. At no time are cameras permitted in the main aisle of the Cathedral.
- Please remember that the Cathedral is a sacred place. All cell phones and pagers should be muted and respect shown at all times for those attending/celebrating Mass.

Your adherence to these policies and procedures is greatly appreciated. Thank you.