Boston Cardinal Seán O'Malley to Speak at Event Marking the One-Year Anniversary of Election of Pope Francis

Vatican Spokesman, Catholic Author, and Editor of America Magazine among panelists who will discuss The Francis Factor

On Tuesday, March 18 at 7 p.m. at Loyola University Maryland's Reitz Arena, the Archdiocese of Baltimore will host *The Francis Factor*, an event to mark the one-year anniversary of the election of Pope Francis as Supreme Pontiff of the Roman Catholic Church.

Cardinal Seán O'Malley, OFM Cap., Archbishop of Boston and member of Pope Francis' advisory Council of Cardinals, will share his thoughts and observations on Pope Francis and his amazing first year as leader of the Catholic Church. Joining Cardinal O'Malley will be Father Thomas Rosica, CSB, CEO of Salt & Light Television and Vatican Spokesperson, Helen Alvaré, Professor of Law at George Mason School of Law and Catholic author, Fr. Matt Malone, S.J., Editor-in-Chief of America, and Kerry Robinson, Executive Director of the National Leadership Roundtable on Church Management, who will share their experiences and observations on the first year of Pope Francis' papacy.

All four will participate in a Q&A discussion with participation from the audience. Tickets to the event, which is part of the Archdiocese of Baltimore's year-long celebration of the 225th anniversary of the founding of the Diocese of Baltimore, are free of charge and must be requested through the website, www.archbalt.org.