





SOLEMN MASS OF INSTALLATION

of

HIS EXCELLENCY

MOST REVEREND BRUCE ALAN LEWANDOWSKI, C.Ss.R.

as the

TENTH BISHOP OF PROVIDENCE

by

HIS EXCELLENCY

MOST REVEREND CHRISTOPHER JAMES COYNE

METROPOLITAN ARCHBISHOP OF HARTFORD

in the presence of

HIS EMINENCE

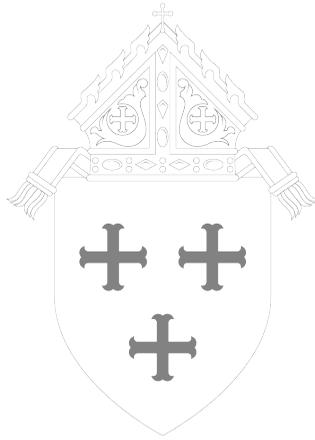
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APOSTOLIC NUNCIO TO THE UNITED STATES



THE TWENTIETH OF MAY IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD TWO-THOUSAND AND TWENTY-FIVE

in the Cathedral of Saints Peter and Paul, Providence, Rhode Island

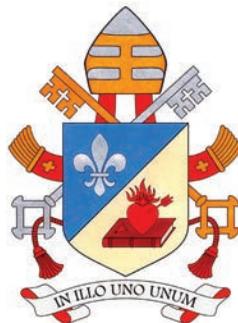


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His Holiness Pope Leo XIV

*267th Supreme Pontiff of the Universal Church, Bishop of Rome,
Successor of the Prince of the Apostles,
Servant of the Servants of God*





**His Eminence
Christophe Louis Yves Georges
Cardinal Pierre**

Apostolic Nuncio to the United States

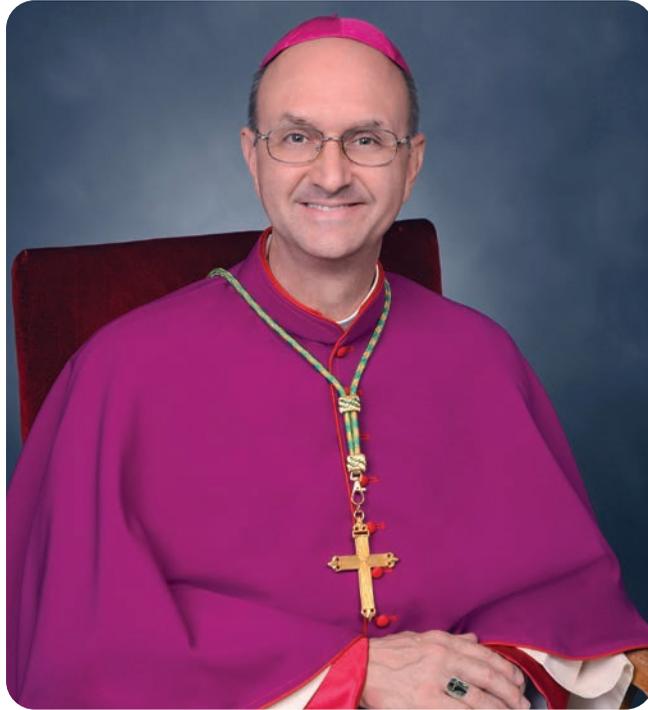




**His Excellency
Most Reverend Christopher J. Coyne**

Metropolitan Archbishop of Hartford





His Excellency
Most Reverend Bruce Alan Lewandowski, C.Ss.R.
Tenth Bishop of Providence



BIOGRAPHY OF BISHOP LEWANDOWSKI

Bishop Bruce Alan Lewandowski, C.Ss.R. was appointed by the late Holy Father, Pope Francis, as the tenth Bishop of Providence on Tuesday, April 8, 2025.

A native of Toledo, Ohio, His Excellency was born to the late Frances (Czelusta) and Robert Lewandowski on June 8, 1967, the second of four children to grow up on their family farm. Since 2020, he has served as Auxiliary Bishop of Baltimore as well as Vicar for Hispanic Catholics and Vicar for Baltimore City for the Archdiocese of Baltimore.

Bishop Lewandowski grew up in a parish with priests of the Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer, a missionary religious order known as the Redemptorists, and later in 1985 graduated from the order's Saint Mary's Seminary High School in North East, Pennsylvania. In September 1988, he entered the Redemptorists professing first vows, and completed his formation and education at Saint Alphonsus College in Suffield, Connecticut where he earned a Bachelor of Arts in philosophy, Holy Redeemer College in Washington, and then Washington Theological Union where he earned a Master of Divinity degree. Bishop William Curlin, then-Bishop of Charlotte, ordained him to the Sacred Priesthood in the Basilica Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington D.C. on May 7, 1994.

As a Redemptorist priest, then-Father Lewandowski ministered as an Associate Pastor of Saint Cecilia Parish in East Harlem, New York (1994-1999); Pastor of Immaculate Conception Parish in South Bronx, New York (1999 to 2002); in missionary service as Assistant Pastor of Our Lady of the Assumption Parish in Vieux Fort, Saint Lucia, West Indies (2002 to 2005); Pastor of Our Lady of the Visitation Parish in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania (2005 to 2011); Vicar for Cultural Ministries for the Archdiocese of Philadelphia (2011 to 2015); and Pastor of Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish in Baltimore (2015 to 2020). In 2019, Archbishop William Lori, Archbishop of Baltimore, named him archdiocesan Vicar for Hispanic Catholics.

The Holy Father, Pope Francis, named then-Father Lewandowski as an Auxiliary Bishop of Baltimore and Titular Bishop of Croae on June 10, 2020. He was consecrated to the episcopacy in the Cathedral of Mary Our Queen in Baltimore on August 18, 2020, by Archbishop William Lori, with Bishop Adam Parker and Bishop John McIntyre as co-consecrators. Drawing on a prayer of Saint Francis of Assisi later adapted by the founder of his Redemptorist order, Saint Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop Lewandowski took for his episcopal motto "because by your Holy Cross." In 2021, Archbishop Lori named him archdiocesan Vicar for Baltimore City.

Bishop Lewandowski is fluent in Spanish and Portuguese and is a brother to Sister Mary Francis Lewandowski, CSSF; Paula Chupp (James); and Joseph Lewandowski. He is being installed as the tenth Bishop of Providence on this day, Tuesday, May 20, in the Cathedral of Saints Peter and Paul, Providence, Rhode Island.

BISHOPS OF PROVIDENCE



Rt. Rev. Thomas F. Hendricken, D.D.

First Bishop of Providence (1872-1886)

Appointed: February 16, 1872

Consecrated: April 28, 1872

Died in Office: June 11, 1886

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Rt. Rev. Matthew A. Harkins, D.D.

Second Bishop of Providence (1887-1921)

Appointed: February 11, 1887

Consecrated: April 14, 1887

Died in Office: May 25, 1921

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Most Rev. William A. Hickey, D.D.

Third Bishop of Providence (1921-1933)

Appointed: Titular Bishop of Claudiopolis in Isauria and Coadjutor Bishop of Providence with right of succession March 10, 1919

Consecrated: April 10, 1919

Succeeded to the See of Providence: May 25, 1921

Died in Office: October 4, 1933

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Most Rev. Francis P. Keough, D.D.

Fourth Bishop of Providence (1934-1947)

Appointed: February 10, 1934

Consecrated: May 22, 1934

Appointed Archbishop of Baltimore: November 29, 1947

Acceded to the See of Baltimore: February 24, 1948

Died in Office as Archbishop of Baltimore: December 8, 1961

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Most Rev. Russell J. McVinney, D.D., LL.D.

Fifth Bishop of Providence (1948-1971)

Appointed: May 29, 1948

Consecrated: July 14, 1948

Appointed Bishop-Assistant at the Pontifical Throne: August 19, 1957

Died in Office: August 10, 1971

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Most Rev. Louis E. Gelineau, D.D., J.C.L., S.T.L.

Sixth Bishop of Providence (1972-1997)

Appointed: December 6, 1971

Consecrated: January 26, 1972

Retired: June 11, 1997

Died: November 7, 2024

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Most Rev. Robert E. Mulvee, D.D., J.C.D.

Seventh Bishop of Providence (1997-2005)

Previously Auxiliary Bishop of Manchester and Titular Bishop of Summa, then Bishop of Wilmington (Delaware)

Consecrated: April 14, 1977

Appointed Coadjutor Bishop of Providence: February 9, 1995

Succeeded to the See of Providence: June 11, 1997

Retired: March 31, 2005

Died: December 28, 2018

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Most Rev. Thomas J. Tobin, D.D.

Eighth Bishop of Providence (2005-2023)

Previously Auxiliary Bishop of Pittsburgh and Titular Bishop of Novica, then Bishop of Youngstown (Ohio)

Consecrated: December 27, 1992

Appointed Bishop of Providence: March 31, 2005

Retired: May 1, 2023

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Most Rev. Richard G. Henning, S.T.D.

Ninth Bishop of Providence (2023-2024)

Previously Auxiliary Bishop of Rockville Centre and Titular Bishop of Tabla

Consecrated: July 24, 2018

Appointed Coadjutor Bishop of Providence: November 23, 2022

Succeeded to the See of Providence: May 1, 2023

Appointed Archbishop of Boston: August 5, 2024

Acceded to the See of Boston: October 31, 2024

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Most Rev. Bruce A. Lewandowski, C.Ss.R.

Tenth Bishop of Providence (2025-Present)

Previously Auxiliary Bishop of Baltimore and Titular Bishop of Croae

Consecrated: August 18, 2020

Appointed Bishop of Providence: April 8, 2025

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INTRODUCTION

The Bishop is regarded as the High Priest of his flock, from whom the life in Christ of his faithful is in some way derived and upon whom it depends. The decree *Christus Dominus* of the Second Vatican Council explains, "The diocese forms that part of the people of God entrusted to the pastoral care of the bishop with the assistance of the presbyterate. In allegiance to its pastor and by him gathered together in the Holy Spirit through the Gospel and the eucharist, the diocese stands as a particular Church, in which Christ's one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church is truly present and at work." This truth is emphasized by the Church Father, Saint Ignatius of Antioch, who wrote, "Just as where Christ Jesus is, there also is the Catholic Church, so also where the bishop is, there also should be the whole assembly of his people."

Sacrosanctum Concilium, a Sacred Constitution of the Council, highlights the diocesan bishop as Christ's vicar and representative, marked with the fullness of the sacrament of orders who leads his particular Church in communion with the pope and under his authority. "Placed there by the Holy Spirit, bishops are the successors of the apostles as shepherds of souls...for Christ gave the apostles and their successors the mandate and the power to teach all nations and to sanctify and to shepherd their people in the truth. By the Holy Spirit who has been given to them, therefore, bishops have been made true and authentic teachers of the faith, high priests, and pastors."

On Tuesday, April 8, 2025, the late Holy Father, Pope Francis, appointed His Excellency, the Most Reverend Bruce Alan Lewandowski, C.Ss.R., as the tenth Bishop of Providence. Bishop Lewandowski was until then serving as an Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of Baltimore and Titular Bishop of Croæ. The changes were publicized in Washington, D.C. by Cardinal Christophe Pierre, Apostolic Nuncio to the United States.



THE ORDER OF MASS

PRELUDIÆ

Cantique de Jean Racine (Faure)

Be Thou My Vision (Rutter)

Ave Maria (Bach/arr. Gounod)

Te Es Petrus (Liszt)

Laudate Dominum (Mozart)

PROCESSION

All People That on Earth Do Dwell (Old Hundreth)



1. All peo - ple that on earth do dwell, Sing
2. Know that the Lord is God in - deed; With -
3. O en - ter then his gates with praise; Ap -
4. For why? The Lord our God is good: His
5. To Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost, The
* Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; Praise



to the Lord with cheer - ful voice; Him serve with mirth, his
out our aid he did us make. We are his folk, he
proach with joy his courts un - to; Praise, laud, and bless his
mer - cy is for ev - er sure; His truth at all times
God whom heav'n and earth a - dore, From us and from the
him, all crea - tures here be - low; Praise him a - bove, you



praise forth tell; Come we be - fore him and re - joice.
does us feed, And for his sheep he does us take.
Name al - ways, For it is seem - ly so to do.
firm - ly stood, And shall from age to age en - dure.
an - gel host Be praise and glo - ry ev - er - more.
heav'n - ly host: Praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

RITE OF RECEPTION

Please stand. The Bishop-Designate arrives at the doors to the Cathedral and, according to custom, knocks three times from the outside. The Metropolitan Archbishop presents the Bishop-Designate to the Diocesan Administrator who presents a crucifix to be revered. Holy water is presented to the Bishop-Designate who sprinkles himself and those present. Then they process to the sanctuary.

ENTRANCE HYMN

O God Beyond All Praising (arr. Proulx)



1. O God be-yond all prais-ing, we wor-ship you to - day
 *2. The flow'r of earth - ly splen-dor in time must sure - ly die,
 3. Then hear, O gra-cious Sav - ior, ac - cept the love we bring,



And sing the love a - maz-ing that songs can - not re - pay;
 Its frag - ile bloom sur - ren - der to you, the Lord most high;
 That we who know your fa - vor may serve you as our King;



For we can on - ly won - der at ev - 'ry gift you send,
 But hid - den from all na - ture the e - ter - nal seed is sown,
 And wheth - er our to - mor - rows be filled with good or ill,



At bless-ings with - out num - ber and mer - cies with - out end.
 Though small in mor - tal stat - ure to heav - en's gar - den grown.
 We'll tri - umph through our sor - rows and rise to bless you still,



We lift our hearts be - fore you and wait up - on your word;
 For Christ, the man from heav - en, from death has set us free,
 To mar - vel at your beau - ty and glo - ry in your ways,



We hon - or and a - dore you, our great and might - y Lord.
 And we through him are giv - en the fin - al vic - to - ry!
 And make a joy - ful du - ty our sac - ri - fice of praise.

INTRODUCTORY RITES

ARCHBISHOP: ✠ In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

ALL R: **Amen.**

ARCHBISHOP: Peace be with you.

ALL R: **And with your spirit.**

RITE OF CANONICAL POSSESSION

READING OF THE APOSTOLIC MANDATE

Please be seated. The Metropolitan Archbishop introduces the Apostolic Nuncio to the United States, His Eminence, Christophe Cardinal Pierre. The Apostolic Nuncio offers words of welcome and reads a translation of the Apostolic Mandate.

ACCEPTANCE OF THE APOSTOLIC MANDATE

After reading the Apostolic Mandate, the Apostolic Nuncio questions the Bishop-Designate.

NUNCIO: Most Reverend Bishop Lewandowski, you have heard the letter of His Late Holiness, Pope Francis. You are called by the Holy Spirit to serve almighty God and the People of the Diocese of Providence in faith and in love as their Shepherd. Are you willing to accept this see in the tradition of the Apostolic faith of the Church?

BISHOP: With faith in our Lord Jesus Christ and with the love of God in my heart, I do accept the pastoral care of the People of God in the Diocese of Providence. I resolve to serve faithfully the spiritual needs of this local Church.

ALL R: **Thanks be to God.**

All present may then give their assent by standing in applause.

INSPECTION OF THE APOSTOLIC MANDATE

The Bishop-Designate takes the Apostolic Mandate and shows it to the College of Consultors while all others remain seated.

THE SEATING OF THE BISHOP

The Bishop receives the crosier and is led to his cathedra by the Apostolic Nuncio and the Metropolitan Archbishop.

GREETING BY DIOCESAN REPRESENTATIVES

The new Bishop is greeted by various representatives of the diocese at the cathedra.

GLORIA

Mancini

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, And on earth
peace to peo-ple of good will.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING / PRIMERA LECTURA

Acts 2:42-47
Julie Bradley

En los primeros días de la Iglesia, todos los que habían sido bautizados eran constantes en escuchar la enseñanza de los apóstoles, en la comunión fraterna, en la fracción del pan y en las oraciones. Toda la gente estaba llena de asombro y de temor, al ver los milagros y prodigios que los apóstoles hacían en Jerusalén.

Todos los creyentes vivían unidos y lo tenían todo en común. Los que eran dueños de bienes o propiedades los vendían, y el producto era distribuido entre todos, según las necesidades de cada uno. Diariamente se reunían en el templo, y en las casas partían el pan y comían juntos, con alegría y sencillez de corazón. Alababan a Dios y toda la gente los estimaba. Y el Señor aumentaba cada día el número de los que habían de salvarse.

READER: The Word of the Lord.

ALL R: **Thanks be to God.**

The Lord is my Shep - herd no - thing shall I
want —; no - thing shall I want.

SECOND READING / SEGUNDA LECTURA

1 Peter 2:4-9

Sr. Esmeralda Urenda, HMSP

Beloved: Come to him, a living stone, rejected by human beings but chosen and precious in the sight of God, and, like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house to be a holy priesthood to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.

For it says in Scripture:

Behold, I am laying a stone in Zion, a cornerstone, chosen and precious, and whoever believes in it shall not be put to shame.

Therefore, its value is for you who have faith, but for those without faith:

The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone, and a stone that will make people stumble, and a rock that will make them fall.

They stumble by disobeying the word, as is their destiny.

You are "a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people of his own, so that you may announce the praises" of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light.

EL LECTOR: Palabra de Dios.

TODOS R: **Te alabamos, Señor.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION / ACLAMACIÓN Festival Alleluia (Chepponis)



THE HOLY GOSPEL / EVANGELIO

John 21:15-17

DEACON: The Lord be with you.

ALL R: **And with your spirit.**

DEACON: A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John.

ALL R: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

En aquel tiempo, le preguntó Jesús a Simón Pedro: "Simón, hijo de Juan, ¿me amas más que éstos?" Él le contestó: "Sí, Señor, tú sabes que te quiero". Jesús le dijo: "Apacienta mis corderos".

Por segunda vez le preguntó: "Simón, hijo de Juan, ¿me amas?" Él le respondió: "Sí, Señor, tú sabes que te quiero". Jesús le dijo: "Pastorea mis ovejas".

Por tercera vez le preguntó: "Simón, hijo de Juan, ¿me quieres?" Pedro se entristeció de que Jesús le hubiera preguntado por tercera vez si lo quería, y le contestó: "Señor, tú lo sabes todo; tú bien sabes que te quiero". Jesús le dijo: "Apacienta mis ovejas."

DEACON: The Gospel of the Lord.

ALL R: **Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

HOMILY

MOST REV. BRUCE A. LEWANDOWSKI, BISHOP OF PROVIDENCE

UNIVERSAL PRAYER

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

OFFERTORY

Psalm 150 (Franck)

SANCTUS

Mass for the City (Proulx)

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly

Lord God of hosts. Heav - en and earth are

full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho -

san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who

comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na, ho -

san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na, ho -

san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

Mass for the City (Proulx)

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we pro-
claim your Death, O Lord, un - til you come a - gain.

The musical notation is on two staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and homophonic, with lyrics written below the notes.

GREAT AMEN

Mass for the City (Proulx)

A - men, a - men, a - men.

The musical notation is on a single staff in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and homophonic, with lyrics written below the notes.

AGNUS DEI

Missa XVIII (arr. Gouin)

A-gnus De - i, * qui tol-lis pec-cá-ta mun-di: mi-se-ré-re no-bis.
A-gnus De - i, * qui tol-lis pec-cá-ta mun-di: mi-se-ré-re no-bis.
A-gnus De - i, * qui tol-lis pec-cá-ta mun-di: do-na no-bis pa-cem.

The musical notation is on three staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and homophonic, with lyrics written below the notes.

COMMUNION MOTET

Ave Verum Corpus (Mozart)



COMMUNION HYMN

Take and Eat (Joncas)



Take and eat; take and eat: this is my bod - y
giv-en up for you. Take and drink; take and drink:
this is my blood giv - en up for you.

POST-COMMUNION MEDITATION

Christus Vincit (Noyon)



Chris - tus vin - cit, Chris - tus Reg - nat, Chris - tus
Chris - tus im - - - per - at!

CLOSING REMARKS

MOST REV. BRUCE A. LEWANDOWSKI, BISHOP OF PROVIDENCE

CONCLUDING RITES

- BISHOP: The Lord be with you.
ALL R: **And with your spirit.**
- BISHOP: Blessed be the name of the Lord.
ALL R: **Now and forever.**
- BISHOP: Our help is in the name of the Lord.
ALL R: **Who made heaven and earth.**
- BISHOP: May almighty God bless you, the Father, ✠ and the
Son, ✠ and the Holy ✠ Spirit.
ALL R: **Amen.**
- DEACON: Go forth, the Mass is ended.
ALL R: **Thanks be to God.**

MARIAN ANTIPHON

Regina Cæli



Re - gí - na cae - li, lae - tá - re, al - le - lú - ia,



qui - a quem me - ru - í - sti por - tá - re, al - le - lú - ia,



re - sur - ré - xit si - cut di - xit, al - le - lú - ia,



O - ra pro no - bis De - um, al - le - lú - ia.



RECESSIONAL HYMN

Festival Canticle (Hillert)

Refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-

lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. lu - ia.

Verses

1. Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
2. Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and
3. Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and
4. Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to
5. For the Lamb who was slain has be -

to Refrain

1. blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.
2. hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.
3. join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion.
4. God and the Lamb for ev - er. A - men.
5. gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.



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IN GRATITUDE

On behalf of the Most Reverend Bruce A. Lewandowski, C.Ss.R., Bishop of Providence, we warmly thank His Eminence, Christophe Cardinal Pierre, Apostolic Nuncio to the United States and His Excellency, the Most Reverend Christopher Coyne, Metropolitan Archbishop of Hartford, for their presence today.

We give thanks also to all who have participated in and assisted with today's celebration, especially: the concelebrating Bishops and Priests; the Deacons who assisted at the altar and those in attendance; the Masters of Ceremonies and the Seminarians of the Diocese of Providence who served at the altar; Monsignor Anthony Mancini, Rector & Director of Music for the Cathedral of Saints Peter & Paul; the Gregorian Concert Choir; and Mr. Philip Faraone, the Cathedral organist.

A special word of gratitude is also extended to those who have prepared for the celebration today, including the Office of Divine Worship, the Communications Office which prepared the programs and prayer cards; the Cathedral staff who assisted with preparations, setup and parking; and, finally, to all who attended today's celebration to welcome our new shepherd.



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at the

OMNI PROVIDENCE HOTEL
ONE WEST EXCHANGE STREET, PROVIDENCE
until

SIX O' CLOCK IN THE EVENING



LIGHT REFRESHMENTS AND HORS D'ŒUVRES WILL BE SERVED



COMPLIMENTARY SHUTTLE SERVICE IS AVAILABLE FOLLOWING HOLY MASS
FROM THE CATHEDRAL TO THE RECEPTION AND CONVENTION CENTER PARKING.
SHUTTLES DEPART FROM DAVE GAVITT WAY. FOLLOW SIGNAGE TO PICKUP POINT.

FOLLOW ALONG

Follow Bishop Bruce Lewandowski as he begins his episcopal ministry among the people of Rhode Island, and as His Holiness, Pope Leo XIV begins his pontificate as the 266th Successor of Saint Peter.

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