



Date: January 29, 2013

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DATE: Tuesday, January 29, 2013

Place: Archdiocesan Pastoral Center  
2838 E. Burnside Street  
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TIME: 10:00 a.m.

SUBJECT: Press Conference: Appointment of an Archbishop for Western Oregon.

A press conference will be held to introduce the newly appointed Archbishop of Portland in Oregon. The newly appointed Archbishop will be introduced by Archbishop John G. Vlazny, Archbishop Emeritus. Pope Benedict XVI has selected Bishop Alexander K. Sample of the Diocese of Marquette, MI to be the eleventh Archbishop of Portland in Oregon.

The Archdiocese was founded as the Archdiocese of Oregon City July 24, 1846. It is the second oldest archdiocese in the United States after Baltimore. The name was changed to the Archdiocese of Portland in Oregon September 26, 1928 by Papal decree. The Archdiocese includes Catholic parishes in Western Oregon from the Washington to California borders. The Catholic population in Western Oregon exceeds 415,000.

Technical Note:

The audio feeds for television and radio media will be via a "press box" with XLR mic level feeds. Some RCA line level feeds will also be available.

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