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Diocese of Palm Beach Airs Televised Christmas Mass for the Homebound

(Palm Beach Gardens, FL) December 22, 2011 – As part of its outreach ministry to those who are homebound, in nursing homes or hospitals, the Diocese of Palm Beach will air its pre-taped Catholic Christmas Mass on Sunday, December 25, on four local television stations. The celebrant of the Mass is the Most Reverend Gerald M. Barbarito, Bishop of the Diocese of Palm Beach. A choir of more than 40 members and talented musicians are also part of the liturgical celebration.

Thanks to partnerships with local media, the one-hour Christmas Mass will air on Christmas morning on the following local stations and at these times:

- **5 a.m. – 6 a.m. on CBS12**
- **WPTV NewsChannel5 (NBC) from 7 a.m. – 8 a.m.**
- **WPBF Channel 25 (ABC) from 8 a.m. – 9 a.m.**
- **ION Television Networks (local cable channel 8 for many cable systems) at 9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.**

The Diocese of Palm Beach produces a weekly half-hour Sunday Mass that is regularly shown on ION from 9:30 a.m. – 10 a.m.

In addition to information on its locally produced Christmas Mass, the Diocese of Palm Beach has posted on its website a list of Christmas celebrations from St. Peter's Basilica with Pope Benedict XVI and the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C., as well as a special list of Christmas special movies and television events that will air from now through the New Year on EWTN, the global Catholic Television Network. The shows vary and include movies for viewers of all ages, including children and families. The website address for the Diocese of Palm Beach is www.diocesepb.org

The Catholic Diocese of Palm Beach encompasses the five counties of Palm Beach, Martin, St. Lucie, Indian River and Okeechobee. Comprised of 280,000 Catholics in 53 parishes and missions, the Diocese also serves the faithful community through its 21 schools, which include 14 Catholic Elementary schools, three high schools, two private elementary schools, and two preschools.

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