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Installation Mass of Bishop Ramón Bejarano – Celebration Details

Dear Attendees,

As we enter our Lenten journey of prayer, renewal, and preparation, we look forward with gratitude to gathering for the **Installation Mass of Bishop Ramón Bejarano as the Sixth Bishop of the Diocese of Monterey**. This is a historic and grace-filled moment for our local Church, and we are deeply thankful for your presence.

Please review the important details below to help ensure a smooth, reverent, and welcoming celebration for all.

Mass Time & Doors Opening

- **Mass begins:** 12:00 PM (noon)
- **Doors open:** 10:00 AM

With nearly **1,000 guests** expected, we strongly encourage you to arrive as early as possible. Early arrival will assist with parking, registration, and seating, and will help preserve a peaceful and prayerful beginning to the liturgy.

We kindly ask that all attendees (aside from those participating in the procession) be seated no later than **11:30 AM**.

Location

Embassy Suites Monterey Bay Conference Center
1441 Canyon Del Rey Blvd
Seaside, CA 93955

Registration & Entry Process

Upon entering the conference center, you will be welcomed by hospitality staff at clearly marked **registration tables**.

At registration:

- Please present your **QR code** from your confirmation email for scanning, **or**
- If you are unable to access your QR code, we will gladly verify your registration by name.

Once your RSVP is confirmed, you will receive a **color-coded wristband**. This wristband corresponds to your designated seating section and is required for entry into the **conference center seating area**.

As previously noted, this liturgy is **by invitation only**, and admission is reserved for guests who have RSVP'd and received confirmation.

If You Need to Cancel Your RSVP

If you discover that you are no longer able to attend, we kindly ask that you notify us as soon as possible by replying to this email.

With the large number of guests expected, your prompt response will greatly assist us in updating our registration list and ensuring that we can welcome all attendees responsibly and smoothly. We are grateful for your consideration.

Seating Information

Seating has been thoughtfully organized to accommodate the various groups participating in this celebration (clergy, invited parish representatives, civic/community leaders, and other invited guests).

- Your **wristband color** will direct you to your designated seating section.
- **Seating is first-come, first-served within each designated section.**

We encourage early arrival, especially for those wishing to sit together within their assigned section. Our hospitality staff and ushers will be present throughout to guide and assist you.

For the safety, security, and comfort of all attendees, we kindly ask that guests **do not gather or hold conversations in the aisles**, and that all walkways remain clear throughout the celebration.

Parking & Arrival Planning

The Embassy Suites Monterey Bay Conference Center offers on-site parking; however, due to the size of this gathering, on-site parking may reach capacity.

We strongly encourage guests to **carpool whenever possible** with others who may have also received an invitation.

We recommend:

- Allowing additional time for parking
- Being prepared to utilize nearby parking areas if necessary
- Planning accordingly for weather conditions that may impact arrival time

Arriving early will help reduce delays and allow all guests to enter the celebration in a calm and orderly manner.

For Clergy Specifically (Cardinals, Archbishops, Bishops, Priests, Deacons)

A dedicated **clergy registration table** will be available.

Upon arrival:

- Please check in at the clergy registration table (QR code or name verification).
 - Hospitality staff will direct you to the designated **vesting areas**.
 - We respectfully ask clergy, particularly priests and deacons, to arrive early and be fully vested no later than **11:30 AM**.
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Worship Aid (Attached)

A digital **worship aid is attached** to this email for your convenience. Printed copies will also be available on site. Having the digital version accessible may be helpful as we welcome a large assembly.

Livestream & Overflow Watch Party

For those unable to attend in person, or for guests who may prefer to participate remotely, the Mass will be livestreamed at:

www.dioceseofmonterey.org/installation

Additionally, an overflow watch party will be hosted at:

San Carlos School Gymnasium
552 Webster Street
Monterey, CA

Conclusion of Mass & Reverence

To honor the sacred nature of the liturgy and the solemnity of the Installation Rite:

- Please remain seated until the **entire recessional has concluded**.
- Kindly do not exit the **conference hall** before the clergy and bishop have fully processed out.
- After the recessional, ushers will assist in guiding an orderly exit as we transition to the reception.

Your cooperation helps maintain a reverent and dignified atmosphere for this significant moment in the life of our Diocese.

Photography Guidelines

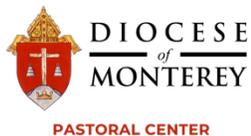
To minimize noise and distractions and preserve the prayerful environment of the liturgy:

- **No professional cameras, please.**
 - The Diocese will have designated professional photographers capturing the celebration.
 - Official photos will be made available following the Installation.
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As we walk together through this sacred season of Lent, we entrust this celebration to the Lord with grateful hearts. Please continue to keep **Bishop Ramón Bejarano** and the Diocese of Monterey in your prayers as we welcome our new shepherd.

We look forward to gathering with you in faith, unity, and joy.

In Christ,



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