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Archbishop Carlson Welcomes Former St. Louis Bishop Back Home

Archbishop Joseph Naumann to Keynote Seventh Annual Legatus Gospel of Life Prayer Breakfast

Who: Archbishop Robert J. Carlson and Most Reverend Joseph Naumann, Archbishop of Kansas City in Kansas

What: Seventh Annual Archbishop's Gospel of Life Prayer Breakfast, Hosted by Legatus

Where: The Ritz-Carlton St. Louis, 100 Carondelet Plaza, St. Louis, MO 63105

When: Friday, May 6, 2016, 6 a.m. – 9 a.m.

ST. LOUIS – Archbishop Robert J. Carlson and the St. Louis chapter of Legatus will welcome His Excellency, the Most Reverend Joseph F. Naumann, Archbishop of Kansas City in Kansas, as he returns to his hometown of St. Louis on Friday, May 6, for the Seventh Annual Archbishop's Gospel of Life Prayer Breakfast.

Archbishop Naumann is a former pastor, vicar general, and auxiliary bishop of the Archdiocese of St. Louis. Between 1985 and 1995 he was the director of the Archdiocesan Pro-Life Committee (now the Respect Life Apostolate of the Archdiocese). In 2005, he became the fourth Archbishop of the Archdiocese of Kansas City in Kansas. He is currently a member of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) Committee on Pro-Life Activities.

"Archbishop Naumann is a leader in promoting the dignity and sanctity of all human life from conception to natural death," Archbishop Carlson said. "I am blessed to call him a friend and ally in this fight."

Archbishop Naumann will address more than 650 attendees, including St. Louis-area Catholics and business men and women with a hopeful message on the importance of protecting the dignity of human life. He said his talk, entitled "Reasons for Hope," will focus on why "even while battling the forces of the Culture of Death, Christians can never yield to discouragement, but must always be witnesses of hope."

Legatus is an international organization of practicing Catholic laymen and laywomen, comprised of CEOs, presidents, managing partners and business owners, with their spouses, from the business community and professional enterprises. The group's mission is to study, live and spread the Catholic faith in the business, professional and personal lives of its members.

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