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## Archbishop Carlson Welcomes Former St. Louis Bishop Back Home

Bishop Edward Rice to Keynote Eighth Annual Legatus Gospel of Life Prayer Breakfast

Who: Archbishop Robert J. Carlson and Most Reverend Edward Rice, Bishop of Springfield-Cape Girardeau
What: Eighth 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: Wednesday, May 17, 2017, 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 Edward Rice, Bishop of Springfield-Cape Girardeau, as he returns to his hometown of St. Louis on Wednesday, May 17, as the keynote speaker for the Eighth Annual Archbishop's Gospel of Life Prayer Breakfast.

Bishop Rice is a former teacher, pastor, vicar general, and auxiliary bishop of the Archdiocese of St. Louis. Pope Francis appointed him the seventh bishop of the Diocese of Springfield-Cape Girardeau in April 2016.

Bishop Rice will address more than 650 attendees, including St. Louis-area Catholics and business men and women, with a hopeful message on the importance of the Catholic family, the living Gospel of Life. Previous keynote speakers include Cardinal Daniel DiNardo, current president of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, and Most Reverend Joseph Naumann, Archbishop of the Diocese of Kansas City in Kansas.

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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