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The Little Sisters of the Poor groundbreaking celebration for the new Holy Family Home

Archbishop Pérez will be the Principal Celebrant for Mass

Philadelphia, March 18, 2022 - The Little Sisters of the Poor Holy Family Home Groundbreaking Celebration will take place at Holy Family Home. Archbishop Nelson J. Pérez will be the principal celebrant for Mass at Holy Family Home chapel. Monsignor Francis W. Beach will preside at the groundbreaking ceremony following Mass.

**Thursday, March 24, 2022
10:30 a.m. Mass
Holy Family Home Chapel
5300 Chester Avenue
Philadelphia, PA 19143**

A groundbreaking ceremony at Holy Family Home will take place following Mass.

The Little Sisters of the Poor embark on a journey to rebuild their Home for Philadelphia's elderly poor. Continuing the mission of their Foundress Saint Jeanne Jugan, the Little Sisters of the Poor welcome the neediest elderly of every race and religion, offering them a home where they will be welcomed as Christ, cared for as family, and accompanied with dignity until God calls them to himself.

The Little Sisters of the Poor have partnered with The Catholic Foundation of Greater Philadelphia to raise the funds needed to rebuild Holy Family Home. The new Home will comfortably accommodate 15 Little Sisters and 55 residents. Its design will allow the Little Sisters of the Poor to introduce a new model of care, enabling residents to "age in place" in apartments for as long as possible before transferring to a care household if a higher level of care is needed. This approach responds to the desire of seniors to remain as independent and active as possible as they age and to the conviction of the Little Sisters that old age is a meaningful stage of life, not an illness.

To conclude the morning, The Little Sisters of the Poor will hold a reception in Holy Family Home's Social Hall.

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Background Information about The Little Sisters of the Poor: The Little Sisters of the Poor are a Congregation of women religious who adhere to all teachings of the Roman Catholic Church, significantly those concerning the sanctity of human life. The Little Sisters of the Poor have been caring for the elderly poor in Philadelphia since 1869. For additional information about the project to rebuild Holy Family Home, please visit www.BuildingtoServeinLove.org

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