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Vespers & Installation Mass for Most Rev. John C. Wester 12th Archbishop of Santa Fe

Vespers, Wednesday, June 3, 2015, 7 P.M.
Installation Mass, Thursday, June 4, 2015, 2 P.M.
Cathedral Basilica of St. Francis of Assisi, Santa Fe, NM

ALBUQUERQUE – Tuesday, June 2, 2015-- IMMEDIATE RELEASE – Archbishop John C. Wester will be installed as the 12th Archbishop of the Archdiocese of Santa Fe at the Installation Mass on Thursday, June 4, at 2 p.m., at the Cathedral Basilica of St. Francis of Assisi in Santa Fe. In addition to the Installation Mass, Vespers will take place on Wednesday, June 3 at 7 p.m. Vespers is an evening prayer service. All of the Installation Services will be held at the Cathedral Basilica of St. Francis of Assisi. Half of the Cathedral seating has been designated for general public admittance. Doors will open for Vespers at 5:30 pm on Wednesday and on Thursday for the Mass, the doors will open at 12:00 noon. First come, first seated. The Installation Mass will be streamed online at www.krqe.com. All are welcome.

On Thursday, June 4, the Main Great Doors of the Cathedral Basilica will open at Noon. Prior to the service, there will be a procession of church officials and representatives from numerous communities and archdiocesan parishes.

Archbishop Michael J. Sheehan will begin the Mass and then introduce His Excellency the Most Reverend Carlo Maria Viganò, Apostolic Nuncio to the United States of America. The Installation Mass will include the reading of the Apostolic Mandate by Archbishop Viganò, followed by the seating of Archbishop Wester in the *cathedra* (chair). Archbishop Sheehan and Archbishop Viganò will present the crozier to Archbishop Wester. Archbishop Wester will preside at the Liturgy and deliver the homily.

Church officials include two cardinals, several archbishops, bishops, abbots, and clergy.

Live coverage for the Installation Mass will be provided by KRQE-TV Channel 13 and broadcast online at www.krqe.com.--END

