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## Celebrating continuity and new beginnings with redevelopment project

Written by Mary C. Uhler, Catholic Herald Staff

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**MADISON** -- It's time to celebrate both continuity and new beginnings, said Bishop Robert C. Morlino as he presided at a Mass and groundbreaking ceremonies for the redevelopment of the Bishop O'Connor Catholic Pastoral Center (BOC) on May 1.

After Holy Name Seminary closed in 1995, the building was renovated as a diocesan center and renamed the Bishop O'Connor Catholic Pastoral Center in 1998.

The redevelopment of the BOC will maintain diocesan offices, the center's chapel, and other historic features

while adding a vibrant new residential community. Gorman & Company has been engaged by the Diocese of Madison to serve as the developer of the \$21 million project and will provide architectural and design services for the redevelopment.

Appropriately, the Mass and groundbreaking ceremonies were held on the feast of St. Joseph the Worker. "We're doing quite a bit of work here," said Bishop Morlino, who noted that construction work at the BOC began about a month ago. "We're doing quite well in the hopes that we will see the fruits of this work in due time."

### Caring about vocations

Following the Mass, Bishop Morlino unveiled and blessed a recently uncovered diocesan coat of arms on the lobby floor, which dates back to when the building was Holy Name Seminary.

Bishop Morlino observed that Holy Name Seminary was a sign that the priests and people of the diocese cared about vocations. Unveiling the diocesan crest, he said, "will be a reminder of the wonderful history of the diocese and all the good work of Holy Name Seminary."

The bishop acknowledged that while times change, "We care every bit as much for vocations today.



Bishop Robert C. Morlino blesses the recently uncovered diocesan coat of arms on the lobby floor of the Bishop O'Connor Catholic Pastoral Center in Madison during groundbreaking ceremonies for the redevelopment of the building on May 1. (Catholic Herald photo/Kevin Wondrash)

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### From Baghdad to Boston: A Journey under the Shadow of Our Lady

Written by By Michelle Nilsson for the Catholic Herald

Thursday, Apr. 30, 2015 -- 12:00 AM

**VERONA** -- Mother Olga of the Sacred Heart will speak in the Spring 2015 St. Thérèse Lecture Series on Thursday, May 7.

She will be presenting a talk entitled, "From Baghdad to Boston: A Journey under the Shadow of Our Lady." The lecture will be given at St. Christopher Parish in Verona at 7:30 p.m.

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### Diocesan Choir promises extraordinary Spring Concert

Written by Dick Jones, For the Catholic Herald

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**MADISON** — With voices raised heavenward, the Madison Diocesan Choir will present a free Spring Concert on Friday, May 8, at the Bishop O'Connor Catholic Pastoral Center with the classic Irish hymn Be Thou My Vision as the centerpiece and theme of a special program unlike any of the choir's previous spring concerts.

The extraordinary program by director Patrick Gorman will feature Dublin-born tenor George Breadon of Monroe singing the hymn's first two verses in Gaelic.

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