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Oct. 15 Dedication Planned for Madonna's Franciscan Center for Science and Media

What: Madonna students, faculty, trustees and donors will be on hand as Archbishop Allen H. Vigneron, of the Archdiocese of Detroit, leads the blessing and dedication of Madonna University's Franciscan Center for Science and Media; the University's first stand-alone building constructed in more than 40 years, and Livonia's first LEED-certified building. The community is welcome to attend.

Honored guests Adam Cardinal Maida and Edmund Cardinal Szoka will unveil renderings of Cardinals Square. The student and visitor gathering place, to be located east of the new building, will pay homage to the rich Polish heritage of Madonna University, and of these two "men of God." The Madonna University Chorale and a student harpist will perform during the dedication.

Following the ceremony, attendees will have an opportunity to tour the building to see the "green" features first-hand, or watch a video "A Greener U" that highlights the sustainable aspects of the 60,000-square foot structure; i.e., recycled or renewable materials; energy-efficient windows and lighting; a partial green roof; and environmentally-friendly construction procedures.

For more information about the dedication ceremony, call 734-432-5589.

When: Franciscan Center Dedication Ceremony: Thursday, Oct. 15, 4:30 p.m.

Where: Madonna University Franciscan Center
36700 Schoolcraft Road (at Levan Rd. and I-96)
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