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LOCAL OBSERVANCES marking the death of Pope John Paul II

Bishop Plácido Rodríguez, CMF, and priests throughout the Diocese of Lubbock will celebrate Masses for the repose of the soul of Pope John Paul II at various times during the “novena” (nine-days of prayer) period marking the pontiff’s death and burial.

At this time, the liturgies at Christ the King Cathedral will serve as the principal diocesan memorial services for Pope John Paul II. Bishop Rodriguez is scheduled to serve as homilist for the 7:00 p.m. Mass there on Tuesday, April 5, 2005.

Please contact individual churches for their various schedules. Church office telephone numbers can be found at www.catholiclubbock.org/parishes.htm

Lubbock services will include:

All week	Saint Patrick Church	8:00 a.m. Mass
	Saint Elizabeth Church	5:30 p.m. Mass
Monday	Saint Joseph Church	7:30 p.m. Mass
Tuesday	Christ the King Cathedral	7:00 p.m. Mass
	Holy Spirit Church	7:00 p.m. Mass
Wednesday	Our Lady of Guadalupe	6:00 p.m. Youth Mass
Thursday	Catholic Pastoral Center	11:30 a.m. Mass
	Saint Elizabeth Church	6:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. Adoration
	Our Lady of Grace Church	6:00 p.m. Mass
	Our Lady of Guadalupe	6:00 p.m. Adoration
Friday	Our Lady of Guadalupe	6:00 p.m.

Persons interested in memorializing the late pope may visit papal displays located in the Catholic Pastoral Center lobby (4620 Fourth Street) or at the entrances to most Catholic churches in the area. Contributions to “The Diocese of Lubbock Pope John Paul II Memorial” may be sent to Box 98700, Lubbock, Texas 79499-8700.

A statement by Bishop Rodríguez, photos of the bishop and the pope, and other pertinent information can be found at the Diocese of Lubbock site, www.catholiclubbock.org. Bishop Rodríguez will remain in the Diocese of Lubbock during this time to mourn with

the people the passing of the pope. He will not travel to Rome.

Established in 1983, the Diocese of Lubbock is a local church that encompasses 62 parishes and serves more than 82,000 Catholics living in 25 counties on the Llano Estacado and Low Rolling Plains of West Texas. One of the nation's most rural dioceses, the Diocese of Lubbock is home to a total population of 486,910 in an area of more than 23,380 square miles.