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Pope tells bishops at family synod to speak fearlessly, listen humbly

By FRANCIS X. ROCCA

VATICAN CITY (CNS) — Pope Francis opened the first working session of an extraordinary Synod of Bishops Oct. 6, urging participants to speak fearlessly and listen humbly during two weeks of discussion of the "pastoral challenges of the family."

Hungarian Cardinal Peter Erdő of Eger opened the synod by outlining some of the major challenges the bishops would discuss, including such controversial topics as cohabitation, divorce, birth control and the impact of social and economic pressures. "Let nobody say: 'I can't say this; they'll think such-and-such about me,'" Pope Francis told more than 180 bishops and more than 60 other synod participants. "Everyone needs to say what one feels duty-bound in the Lord to say; without respect for human considerations, without fear. And, at the same time, one must listen with humility and welcome with an open heart what the brothers say."

The pope recalled that, after a gathering of the world's cardinals in February, one cardinal told him others had hesitated to speak out for fear of disagreeing with the pope.

"This is no good, this is not synodality," the pope said.

Later in the morning, Cardinal Erdő, who as the synod's relator has the task of guiding the discussion and synthesizing its results, gave an hour-long speech that drew on written statements submitted in advance by the synod fathers and on responses to a well-publicized questionnaire sent to the world's bishops last November.

The Oct. 5-19 synod is not supposed to reach definitive conclusions but set the agenda for a larger world synod in October 2015, which will make recommendations to the pope.

Cardinal Erdő said the synods would seek to develop shared pastoral "guidelines."

The statue of St. Peter is seen as bishops attend a Mass celebrated by Pope Francis to open the extraordinary Synod of Bishops on the family in St. Peter's Basilica at the Vatican Oct. 5.



Brandeis honors founder of liberation theology

By CHRISTOPHER S. PENO

WALTHAM — Brandeis University honored Father Gustavo Gutiérrez,

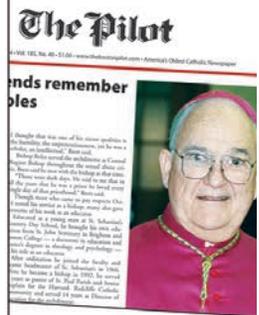
Oct. 5, with the Joseph B. and Toby Girdler Prize for his dedicated advocacy on behalf of the poor in Latin America and his commitment to Catholic social

justice.

Father Gutiérrez, a Dominican friar, wrote "A Theology of Liberation: History, Politics, and Salvation" in 1973.

The book became the foundation, and set up the Peruvian theologian to become known as the founder of, what

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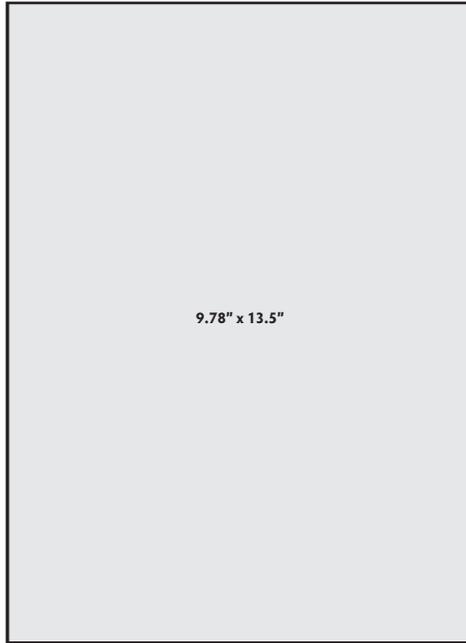
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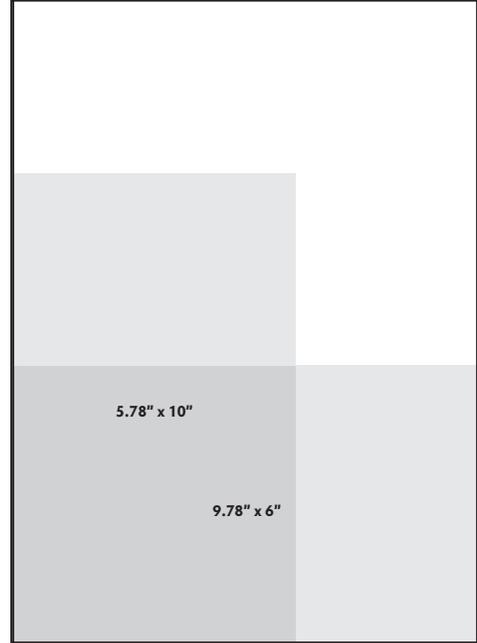
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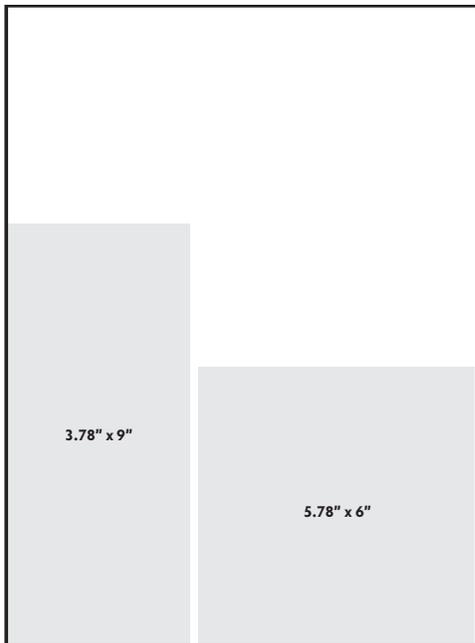
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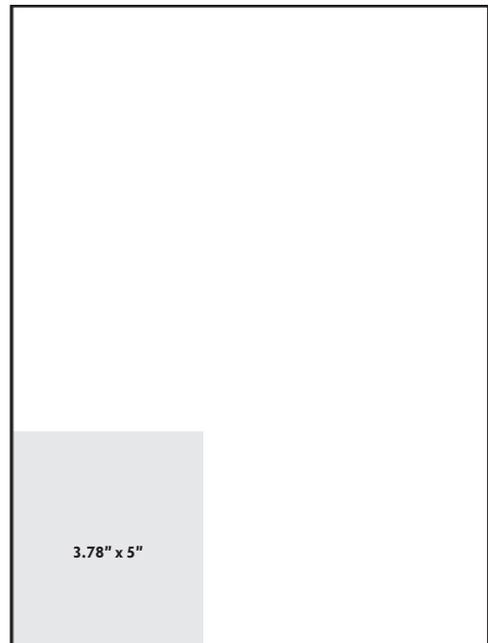
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Convocation links social justice, evangelization

By Catherine S. Pinos

BRAINTREE — The sixth annual Archdiocesan Justice Convocation themed "Social Justice — a Pastoral Priority for the New Evangelization," Oct. 25, brought an overview on social justice including perspectives explored in the writings of Pope Francis together with a focus on how that can be applied in the parish.

Father J. Bryan Hebl, Cabinet Secretary for Health and Social Services, delivered his keynote address "Themes of Social Justice from Evangelii Gaudium" focused on the Apostolic Exhortation of Pope Francis.

"When we try to look at how social justice is joined to evangelization, it drives us to think about the nature of the Church, the ministry of the Church, the understanding of what the Church's life is about," Father Hebl said.

He said to such a point of understanding on the interplay of social justice, evangelization, and their importance in the Church, one should consider the Vatican documents "Candidum Et Sponsa," the Pastoral Constitution on the Church in the Modern World and "Evangelii Gaudium."

"It is interesting to take these two documents together to think about social justice, the Church, and evangelization."

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Catholic doctors, lawyers encouraged to build 'civilization of love'

The three U.S. ambassadors to the Holy See with Tim to Boston, cabinet undersecretary Kenneth Hebert, and former ambassador Mary Ann Glendon and Raymond Flynn, are pictured with Cardinal Sean P. O'Malley at the luncheon following the Combined Celebration of the Red Mass and the White Mass at the Cathedral of the Holy Cross, Oct. 26, 2014. Hebert was the keynote speaker at the event jointly hosted by the archdiocese's guilds for Catholic lawyers and physicians. See story on page 2A.

Photo: Catherine S. Pinos

Faith leaders rally in support of casino ban, sick leave ballot questions

By Catherine S. Pinos

CAMBRIDGE — Local faith leaders met at Memorial Church in Harvard Yard, Oct. 22, to pray and speak in solidarity with the "Yes for Justice Campaign" in support of families and communities.

A collaboration between Stand for Democracy and the Massachusetts Community Action Network (MCAN), the "Yes for Justice Interfaith Prayer Rally: Towards a New Dawn" brought together priests, imams, rabbis, preachers and lay of various communities in support of a "yes" vote in November on ballot initiatives Question 3 and Question 4. A "yes" vote on Question 3 supports repeal of current Massachusetts casino gambling laws, while a "yes" vote on Question 4 supports guaranteed paid sick leave for all workers in Massachusetts.

Many of those who participated in the rally shared their reasons for supporting the cause.

Imam Sherif Shabaka of the Islamic Center of Cambridge said that he was glad to see so many people gathered in support of the cause.

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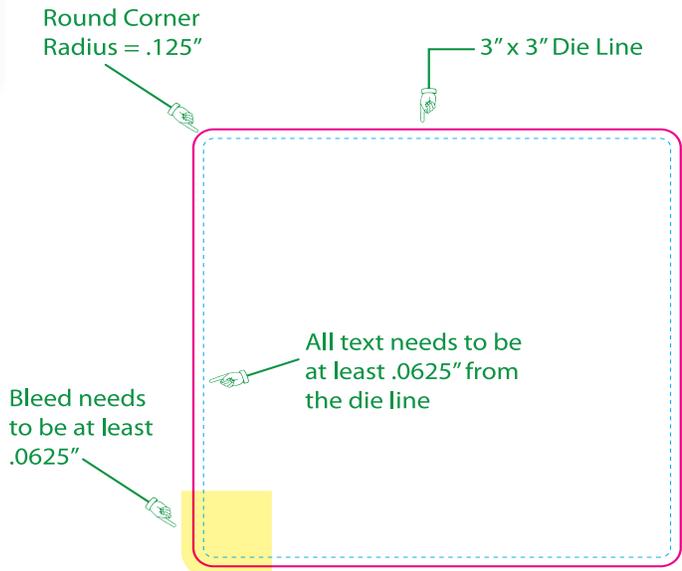


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