

APOSTOLIC VICARIATE OF NORTHERN ARABIA

BAHRAIN · KUWAIT · QATAR · SAUDI ARABIA

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TO ALL THE FAITHFUL

Dear brothers and sisters,

I am happy to announce a very good news: on June 09, Saturday, we shall celebrate the groundbreaking of the Cathedral of our Vicariate, in Bahrain. Since we are in the month of Ramadan, the ceremony will take place at 9pm. Senior officers of the Government, benefactors, friends and all the people are invited. Dear brothers and sisters, I invite all of you to come to participate to that important moment, especially the Parish Priests, the faithful of Bahrain and those of the Eastern Province of Saudi Arabia.

We worked for five years in order to have all our documents. I know that your patience has been very much tested. But now we start the construction.

Let us thank God for this new grace: to have finally the Cathedral of our Vicariate of Northern Arabia. It will be a place of grace and consolation for all.

I ask you to raise fervent prayers so that the works may go on peacefully and we can enjoy the special presence of God with us.

At the same time I ask you to continue to be generous. We still need very much your financial collaboration. I invite every working person to offer at least one KD, or equivalent, per month. A box will be put at the end of every church to collect the monthly personal offering. Other initiatives will be done. We have to join our hands. If we are generous with God, God will be much more generous with us. Our Lady of Arabia, to whom the Cathedral will be dedicated, will have a special protection for those who collaborate to build her house.

Thank you very much for your generosity. May the Lord bless you, your family, your job, through the intercession of Our Lady of Arabia, the Patroness of our Vicariate of Northern Arabia.

Your Bishop,

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