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SCHEDULE

8:00 am	Doors open for check-in and visits with Exhibitors/Adoration/Confession
8:30	Music Program begins in Arena (Conte Forum)
9:00	Coach Jerry York <i>Lessons from Sports for Catholic Men of Faith</i>
10:00	Curtis Martin <i>Made for More: A Time for Action in a World of Trouble</i>
11:00	Catholics of the Year Awards
11:30 – 1:00pm	Mid-Day Program <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Lunch (Concourse Concession Stands) ○ Confession (Primary: Shea Room on the 2nd Floor; Secondary: Band Room near Exhibitor Hall) ○ Adoration (Media Room. Enter off Arena Floor. See Conte Map on center pages) ○ Visit Exhibitors (in Power Gym) ○ Breakout Sessions (12:00 – 12:45)
12:00 – 12:45	Breakout Sessions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ ARENA: Curtis Martin, <i>The Transforming Power of Virtue</i> ○ YAWKEY 4th FLR: Deacon Phil DiBello, <i>Courage: Men Wanted for the Hazardous Journey</i> ○ YAWKEY 2ND FLR: Fr. Richard Clancy, <i>The Power of Divine Mercy for Men.</i> ○ YAWKEY 2ND FLR: Kathy Motyka, <i>ARISE Together in Christ: Renewing One’s Faith through Small Christian</i>
1:00	Beginning of Afternoon Remarks <i>Please return to your seats in the Arena by 1pm.</i>
1:15	Jim Caviezel <i>The Passion: What I Learned about Our Lord that all Catholic Men Should Know</i>
2:30	Jim Stenson <i>Successful Fathers in the Eyes of God</i>
3:45	Prayer & Worship (with Exposition & Adoration)
4:30	CELEBRATION OF MASS - Cardinal Seán O’Malley, OFM Cap (Celebrant & Homilist)
6:00	Conference Ends <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Last chance to visit Exhibitors</i>
7:00	Facility closes

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"I live by faith in the Son of God who loved me and gave himself for me" (St. Paul, Gal 2: 20).

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Benedict XVI, Inauguration of Year of Saint Paul, 28 June 2008

April 18, 2009

Dear Brothers in Christ -

This 2009 Boston Catholic Men's Conference, our 5th, occurs in the Year of Saint Paul. Pope Benedict XVI, in his wisdom as our Universal Shepherd, encouraged the entire Church this year to take another look at this great Saint. He has much to teach us men.

Saint Paul was no wimp. Many acts of his toughness are written about in the Scriptures. His courage and fortitude was used at first to persecute Christians. Then, after experiencing Jesus' love and mercy, his courage and fortitude, he took these great virtues and put them at the service of the Church. We know that he became known as the "Apostle to the Gentiles" because he took great risk to spread the faith. In some part, we know of Jesus Christ because of the bravery and guts of Saint Paul.

"In the Footsteps of Christ" is the theme of the 2009 Men's Conference. As Christians we are called to imitate Jesus in every way. We too are called to be courageous and to never be afraid of living our faith. We can learn this from St. Paul, and we can learn it from all of our speakers today. And, on this Divine Mercy Weekend, we can take advantage of Christ's generous mercy in participating in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. We encourage each man here today to receive the blessing of Confession.

Please take a chance today to look around you and soak in the experience of being surrounded by over thousands of other Catholic men! It is a true blessing to see so many brothers in faith.

Pulling off a Conference like this takes a lot of support. We would like to thank:

- **President Leahy** and all those at **Boston College** that worked very hard to make this event a success. What a blessing it has been to work with such highly talented and committed people!
- Our 150+ **event day volunteers** and our 100+ **parish captains** who worked tirelessly to invite others here
- All the 125+ **priests of the Archdiocese** and surrounding Dioceses who are here for Confession and **Deacon Pat Guarini** and the team of Mass MCs for helping with liturgy
- Our **speakers** for their commitment to being here with all of us!
- **George Martell** (www.georgemartell.com) for providing event photography & marketing, **Father Reed** and the team from **CatholicTV** for all their help with promoting the Conference, **Antonio Enrique** and the staff from **TheBostonPilot.com**,
- The **Knights of Columbus** for their ongoing help and support for men's ministry
- Fr. Mike Harrington, Fr. Dan Hennessey & the RCAB Vocations Office for their help with Adoration.
- **ParishComm** for their help with these program booklets and the Adoration prayer guides.
- **The Women's Conference Organizing Team** for everything they did to make this men's conf. successful
- **Cardinal Seán O'Malley** and the staff of the Cardinal's Office for all their help.

The Boston Catholic Men's Conference Organizing Team

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COACH JERRY YORK



Lessons from Sports for Catholic Men of Faith

Jerry York is college hockey's second all-time highest winning coach (first among active Division 1 coaches) with 803 wins entering this season. He has been a head coach for 37 seasons (Boston college 1995-present; Bowling Green 1879-94; Clarkson 1972-79). He has won 3 national championships (2008, 2001 and 1984) as a coach and earned 8 "Frozen Four" births at Boston College.

As a player at Boston College, he earned first-team, All-American honors, served as team captain and was awarded team MVP in 1966-67. He scored 134 points (64 goals, 70 assists) in his 81-game collegiate career and he ranks amongst the school's all-time leaders in career points, career goals, career assists, single-season points and single-season assists.

He has earned a Master's Degree in education, a CAES in Counseling Psychology, and a Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration from Boston College. Coach York is also a graduate of Boston College High School. He was born in Watertown and with his wife, Bobbie, has two children.

CURTIS MARTIN



Made for More: A Time for Action in a World of Trouble

Curtis Martin is the President and Founder of FOCUS, the Fellowship of Catholic University Students, one of the fastest growing movements in the Catholic Church. Archbishop Charles Chaput of Denver stated, "No one does a more dynamic job of reaching college students for Christ than FOCUS."

FOCUS was founded in 1998 as a national outreach to college campuses, both to secular and Catholic schools. Through small group Bible studies, large group leadership training, and one-on-one discipleship, FOCUS brings the fullness of life and truth in the Catholic Church to college students, and equips them with the tools to help them share this good news with their friends. FOCUS is working to play a vital role in the "New Evangelization" called for by Pope John Paul II. In 2008-2009, FOCUS missionaries serve on 39 campuses in 21 states, with plans to reach 100 campuses in the next ten years.

Curtis is an award-winning and proven dynamic speaker who has the ability to help his audience discover a vision for life. Through humor, stories and his own captivating life experiences, Curtis allows people to see how faith in God is lived out in everyday life. He equips people with the tools to discover the fullness of life and happiness beyond imagination. Curtis Martin holds a Masters degree in Theology, is the author of the best-selling book *Made for More*, and co-host of the new ground-breaking show on EWTN, *Crossing the Goal*.

Curtis is a co-author of: *Boys to Men: The Transforming Power of Virtue*, *Family Matters: A Scripture Study on Marriage and Family*, and also a contributing author of: *Catholic for a Reason* vol. I: Scripture and Mystery of the Family of God, *Catholic for a Reason* vol. II: Scripture and Mystery of the Mother of God, *Catholic for a Reason* vol. III: Scripture and the Mystery of the Mass. *Catholic for a Reason* vol. IV: Scripture and the Mystery of Marriage and Family Life. Curtis has written articles for *The Journal for the Fellowship of Catholic Scholars*, *Couple to Couple League*, *Catholic Dossier*, and was awarded the inaugural Excellence in Evangelization award by *Envoy* magazine. Most recently he was awarded the 2006 John Lancaster Spalding Award from the Diocese of Peoria and the 2007 Outstanding Catholic Leadership Award given by the Catholic Leadership Institute. Curtis serves as the Vice Chairman of the Augustine Institute in Denver, a Catholic graduate school dedicated to the New Evangelization. He and his wife Michaelann host the EWTN television series *Family Matters*. Curtis and Michaelann live in Greeley, CO with their eight children. Curtis will be leading our Breakout Session entitled *The Transforming Power of Virtue*.

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BREAKOUT SESSION SPEAKERS



CURTIS MARTIN

The Transforming Power of Virtue

This session takes place in the Conte Forum Main Arena.

This session will discuss how men can be heroic and courageous through living a virtuous life.

Please see Curtis' full bio earlier in this program.



DEACON PHIL DIBELLO

Courage: Men Wanted for the Hazardous Journey.

This session takes place in the Yawkey Building, 4th Floor. (Murray Room)

Deacon DiBello serves at St. Theresa Parish in Billerica. This session will discuss:

- (a) who we are called to be as Catholic Men;
- (b) being more like Christ in your home
- (c) being in this World but not of this World.



FATHER RICHARD CLANCY

The Power of the Divine Mercy for Men.

This session takes place in the Yawkey Building, 2nd Floor. (Barber Room)

Father Clancy is the Director of Campus Ministry for the Archdiocese of Boston and the Campus Minister at MIT. He will be leading the Breakout Session: **The Power of the Divine Mercy for Men**. This is particularly relevant as the Conferences take place on Divine Mercy Weekend.



KATHY MOTYKA

ARISE Together in Christ

This session takes place in the Yawkey Building, 2nd Floor. (Football Offense Room)

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Kathy Motyka is a member of the Young Adult Ministry Team at RENEW International, a Roman Catholic ministry organization dedicated to spiritual in the Catholic tradition. She has an MDiv from the University of Notre Dame and an undergraduate degree in Theology from Notre Dame. Kathy works primarily with the development and implementation of RENEW's Theology on Tap process, and has recently become involved ARISE Together in Christ. Kathy comes from an education background, having taught a variety of theology classes at the high school level. Other previous experience includes work with college campus ministry programs and serving in social service agencies that work with the poor and disadvantaged.



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GUIDE FOR CONFESSION



“To those who have been far away from the sacrament of reconciliation and forgiving love, I make this appeal: Come back to this source of grace; do not be afraid! Christ himself is waiting for you. He will heal you, and you will be at peace with God!”

- Pope John Paul II

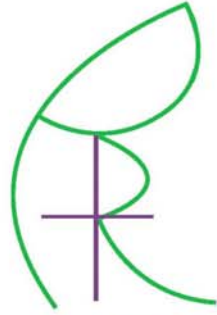
The basic requirement for a good confession is to have the intention of returning to God like the *Prodigal Son* and of acknowledging our sins with true sorrow before his representative, the priest.

BEFORE CONFESSION

- **Try to recognize sin in our lives** – Modern society has lost a sense of sin. As a Catholic follower of Christ, I must make an effort to recognize sin in my daily actions, words and omissions. The Gospels show how important is the forgiveness of our sins. Lives of saints prove that the person who grows in holiness has a stronger sense of sin, sorrow for sins, and a need for the Sacrament of Penance or Confession.
- **Make an examination of Conscience** – What sins have I committed since my last confession? A good confession is one in which I confess all the mortal sins I am aware of and their frequency. A *short examination could follow the ten commandments along these lines:*
 - Do I give God time every day in prayer?
 - Have I used God's name in vain: lightly or carelessly?
 - Have I tried to observe Sunday as a family day and a day of rest?
 - Do I honor and obey my parents? Have I neglected my duties to my spouse and children?
 - Have I engaged, in any way, in sins against human life? Have I been angry or resentful?
 - Have I stolen what is not mine? Do I waste time at work, school, and home?
 - Have I lied? Have I gossiped? Am I critical, negative or uncharitable in my thoughts of others?
 - Have I consented to impure thoughts and actions?
 - Do I envy the families or possessions of others? Are material possessions the purpose of my life?

DURING CONFESSION

- **Remember that the priest can help you** – If you need assistance – especially if you have been away for some time – simply ask the priest and he will help you by "walking" you through the steps to make a good confession.
- **A helpful way to begin** is: “Bless me Father for I have sinned. It has been ... since my last confession. These are my sins.”
- **Tell your sins simply and honestly to the priest.** If you are not sure about the degree of seriousness of something you confess, just ask the priest to help you.
- **After the confession** of sins, the priest will give you a penance, and then absolve you of your sins. Try to perform your penance soon. The priest may also ask you to say a short act-of-contrition.
- **An act of contrition:** “O my God, I am heartily sorry for having offended you. I detest all my sins because I dread the loss of heaven and the pains of hell; but most of all because they offend you, my God, who are all good and deserving of all my love. I firmly resolve, with the help of your grace, to confess my sins, to do penance and to amend my life. Amen.”
- **At the End of Confession** – Listen to words of absolution, the sacramental forgiveness of the Church through the ordained priest. As you listen to the words of forgiveness you may make the sign of the cross with the priest.
- **After Confession** – Reflect on God’s infinite mercy. Imagine God embracing you with the big hug that the Joyful Father did in the parable of the Return of the Prodigal Son.



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HOW TO OBTAIN A PLENARY INDULGENCE

Cardinal Seán O'Malley has granted that a plenary indulgence is available at the 2009 Boston Catholic Men's and Women's Conferences. Please see the text of his letter below and some explanation below.

We encourage everyone to read in Cardinal Seán's letter the description of what a plenary indulgence is. We hope that all attendees will take advantage of this unique opportunity because of the Year of Saint Paul.

April 13, 2009

Mr. Scot Landry
Boston Catholic Conferences
Archdiocese of Boston Pastoral Center
66 Brooks Drive, Braintree, MA 02184

Dear Scot:

In honor of the 2,000th Anniversary of the birth of Saint Paul the Apostle, it is with pleasure that I grant a plenary indulgence for all Catholics who participate in the Boston Catholic Men's and Women's Conference at Boston College's Conte Forum, on Saturday, April 18, 2009 and Sunday, April 19, 2009, and who meet the required conditions set forth below.

Please let those who are to be present know that in order to receive the plenary indulgence certain prescribed conditions must be met (can. 992). According to *The Catechism of the Catholic Church* (n. 1471): "An indulgence is a remission before God of the temporal punishment due to sins whose guilt has already been forgiven, which the faithful Christian who is duly disposed gains under certain prescribed conditions through the action of the Church which, as the minister of redemption, dispenses and applies with authority the treasury of the satisfactions of Christ and the saints."

Therefore, in addition to being in a state of grace, one must:

- have the interior disposition of complete detachment from sin, even venial sin;
- have sacramentally confessed their sins;
- receive the Holy Eucharist;
- pray for the intentions of the Supreme Pontiff, the Pope.

Given at the Pastoral Center of the Archdiocese of Boston in Braintree, Massachusetts, this 13th day of April 2009.

With all good wishes and assurance of a remembrance in my prayers, I am

Sincerely yours in Christ,
Cardinal Seán O'Malley
Archbishop of Boston

Why are the Conferences a site for a plenary indulgence during this Year of Saint Paul?

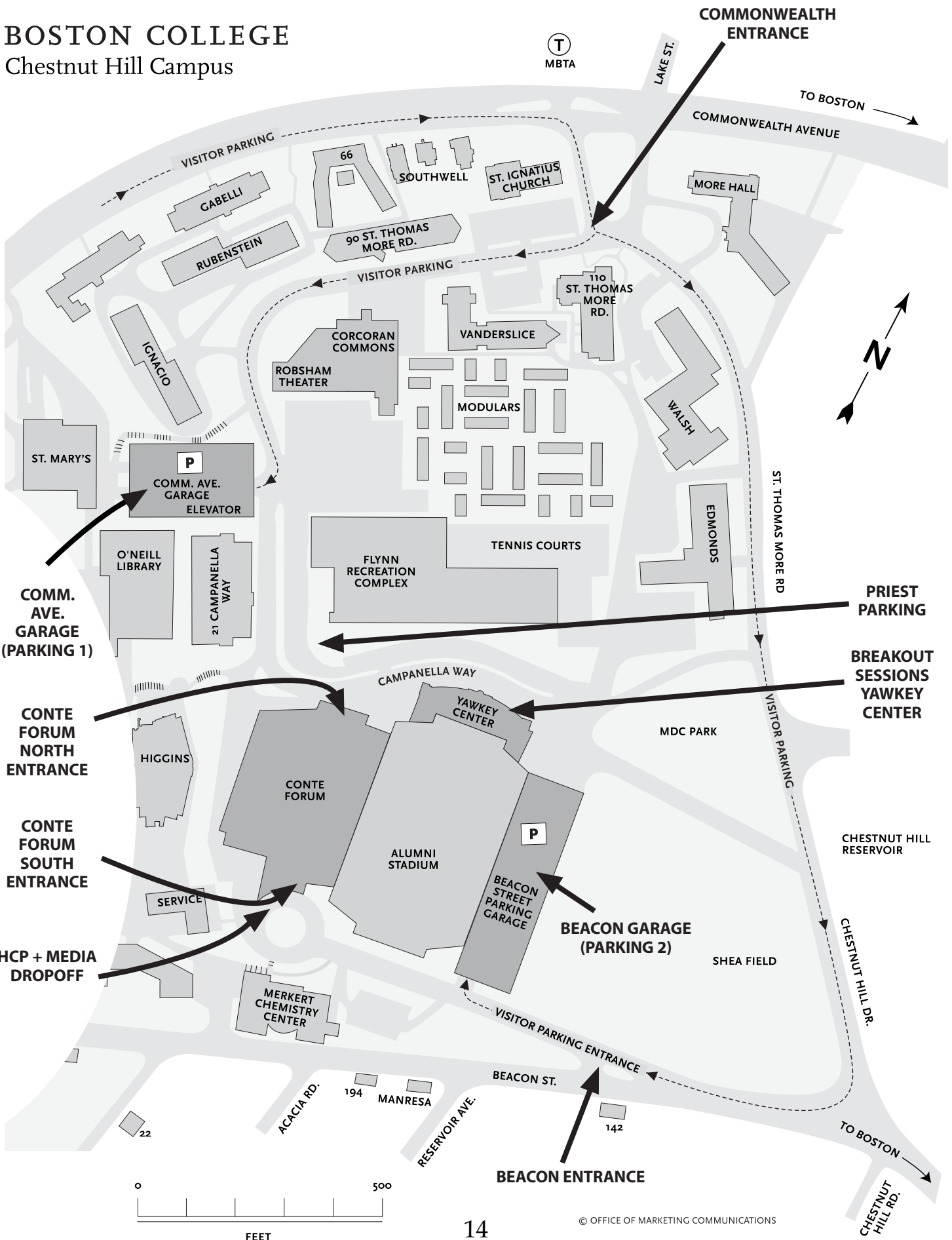
Why not! The gift of Indulgences which the Pope offers to the universal Church, truly smoothes the way to attaining a supreme degree of inner purification which, while honoring the Apostle Paul and the Divine Mercy Weekend, exalts the supernatural life in the hearts of the faithful and gently encourages us to do good deeds.

We are all sinners in need of forgiveness and mercy. It is a gift of our church. This weekend in particular is one rich in opportunities for fulfilling the conditions for obtaining a plenary indulgence. Confession is being offered throughout the day. At the close of each day of the conferences we will celebrate Holy Mass together. And we will all pray for the intentions of the Pope, through the intercession of Saint Paul.

The Conference organizing team is grateful to Cardinal Seán for giving attendees this great opportunity.

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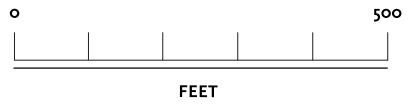
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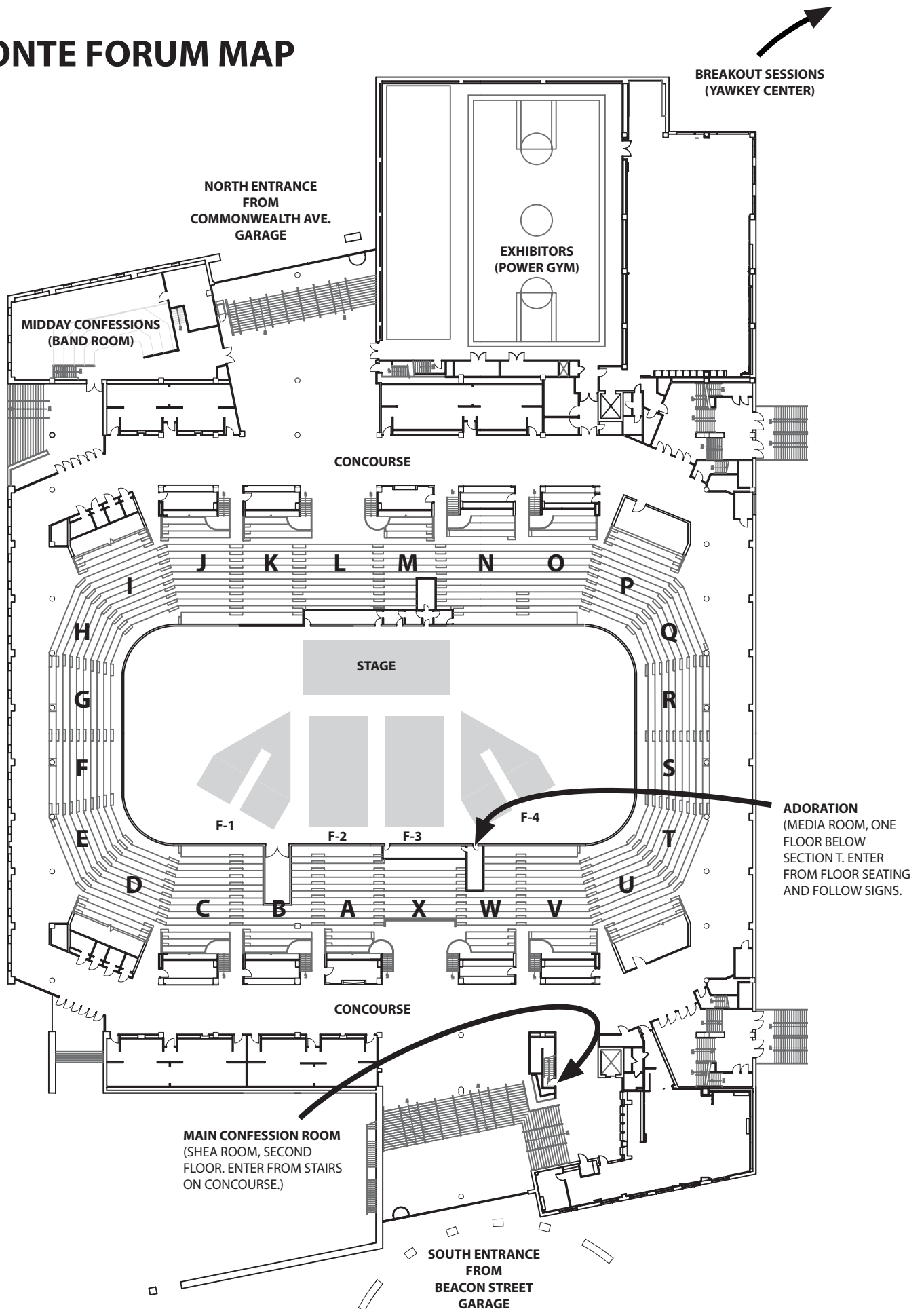
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Session I - May 19-June 30, 2009 Tuesdays 6:00-9:00 pm (2 credits - elective)

Transformative Learning II: Call to Holiness & Evangelization, *Prof. Aldona Liegentas*

Session II - June 17-July 29, 2009 Wednesdays 6:00-9:00 pm (2 credits - elective)

Theology of the Body, *Prof. Angela Franks*

The Basic Truths of the Catholic Church, *Rev. Paul E. Ritz*

Introduction to the Theology of the Holy Spirit, *Prof. Anthony Keaty*

Session III - May 19-July 21, 2009 Tuesdays 6:00-9:00 pm (3 credits - core courses)

Moral Theology, *Prof. David Franks*

The New Testament, *Prof. Celis Sirois*

A special summer seminar entitled ***"Four Mondays with the Apostle Paul"*** will be offered at no charge to commemorate the closing of the Pauline Year. The seminar taught by Prof. Celis Sirois will be based on the text *Reading Paul* by Michael Gorman. The only cost will be the cost of the text book.

Dates: June 1, 8, 15, 22, 2009 from 7:00-9:00 PM

JIM CAVIEZEL



The Passion: What I Learned about Our Lord that all Catholic Men Should Know

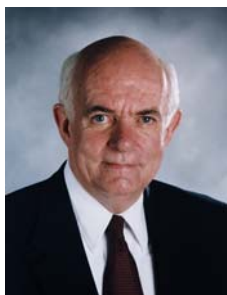
Born on September 26, 1968, in Conway, WA, James Patrick Caviezel was one of five children in the close knit Catholic family of James and Margaret Caviezel. As a child, Jim dreamed of playing for the NBA, but a foot injury whilst playing for the Bellevue Community College put an end to his basketball hopes. Acting was never a career ambition but his natural talent for mimicking his classmates and teachers was encouraged by his coach and after a monologue performance was seen by a talent agent, Jim relocated to Hollywood.

In 1990, Jim auditioned for a role in the film 'My Own Private Idaho', and landed the role of an Italian airline clerk after fooling casting agents into believing he was a recent Italian immigrant. When calling to award him the part, agents thought they had the wrong number after Caviezel answered the phone in his natural accent. Jim moved to L.A. and landed numerous small roles in films, including 'Diggstown', 'Children of the Dust' and 'Wyatt Earp'. He even passed up going to Julliard School of the Performing Arts for the role of Warren Earp.

In 1998, Terrence Malick had returned to the movie scene and cast Caviezel as Private Witt in his new film, The Thin Red Line. The movie originally was set to be Adrien Brody's "breaking performance", but after seeing Caviezel's work as Witt, they cut Brody's scenes down to a minimum. Even after the critical acclaim he received for his role in the film, Jim still went relatively unheard of in Hollywood.

In 2002, Jim received more recognition with the release of two films and his name became better known. The main focus of that year was his role as Edmund Dantes in the remade 'The Count of Monte Cristo'. Being very open about his religious belief has made Jim Caviezel a loner in Hollywood. While working on 'The Thin Red Line', Jim was told "You won't survive in this industry" by his co-stars. However, he has survived and it was due in part to those beliefs that he was awarded the role of 'Jesus Christ' in Mel Gibson's Bible epic 'The Passion of the Christ'. It took a great deal of persuasion by Mel Gibson, as Jim refused the role more than once, but finally, Mel Gibson was successful and Jim Caviezel got his true "big break" in Hollywood.

JIM STENSON



Successful Fathers in the Eyes of God

Jim Stenson is one of the Church's foremost experts on Catholic Parenting, Catholic Leadership and Catholic Men's Issues.

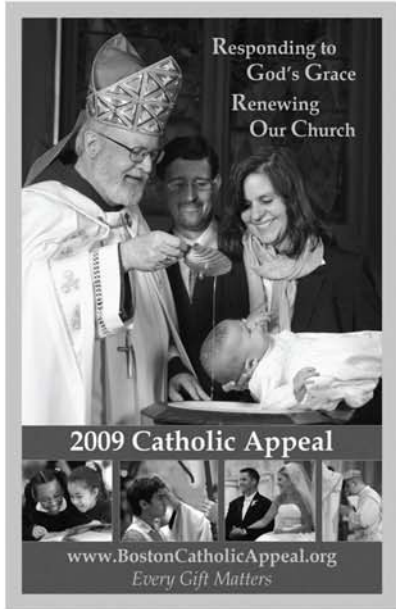
He has a number of helpful books for Catholics including, *Compass: A Handbook on Parent Leadership*, *Lifeline: The Religious Upbringing of Your Children*, *Father, the Family Protector*, *Anchor: God's Promises of Hope to Parents*, *Upbringing: A Discussion Handbook for Parents of Young Children*, *Preparing for Peer Pressure: A Guide for Parents of Young Children*, *Preparing for Adolescence: A Planning Guide for Parents*. His website *ParentLeadership.com* has approximately 150,000 visitors each year.

Jim's background is as educator. For 21 years, he worked to help establish two independent secondary schools for boys, one in Washington, DC and the other in Chicago and served as headmaster for almost 12 years.

Jim's address will aim to help each father at the Catholic Men's Conference to frame several key ideas about his God-given vocation (a) think deeply about his partnership with his wife and his leadership role with their children; (b) set high but realistic goals for himself and his children; (c) learn practical approaches from the experience of other fathers, and (d) deepen his spiritual life and see God's will for his vocation as a father.

In short, the address will explore how a father takes all his masculine strengths – his capacity for long-term vision and planning, his natural ability for personal sacrifice, serious effort, ethical uprightness, tough-minded assertiveness, the powerful instinct to protect his loved ones – and devotes all these powers toward the long-term welfare and happiness of his wife and children. In the lives of his children, he asserts loving leadership toward responsible adulthood

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Genitori, genitoque laus et iubilatio,
Salus, honor, virtus quoque, sit et benedictio:
Procedenti ab utroque compar sit laudatio.
Amen.

V – You have given them Bread from Heaven.

R – Having within it all Sweetness.



The Divine Praises

Blessed be God.

Blessed be His holy Name.

Blessed be Jesus Christ— true God and true Man.

Blessed be the name of Jesus.

Blessed be His most Sacred Heart.

Blessed be His most Precious Blood.

Blessed be Jesus in the most holy Sacrament of the Altar

Blessed be the Holy Spirit, the Paraclete.

Blessed be the great Mother of God, Mary most holy.

Blessed be her holy and Immaculate Conception

Blessed be her glorious Assumption.

Blessed be the name of Mary, Virgin and Mother.

Blessed be St. Joseph, her most chaste spouse.

Blessed be God in His Angels and in His Saints.



THE DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

1. Begin at the Cross with the Sign of the Cross

In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

2. Pray each of the following prayers in succession on the 3 beads above the Cross.

- OUR FATHER
- HAIL MARY
- THE APOSTLES CREED: I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of Heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ, His only Son Our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into Hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into Heaven, and sits at the right hand of God, the Father almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Sprit, the holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and life everlasting. Amen.

3. Then on the large “Our Father Bead” pray:

Eternal Father, I offer You the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your dearly beloved Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world.

4. On the 10 smaller “Hail Mary Beads” pray the following:

For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

5. Conclude by praying the following prayer three times:

Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

This devotion was given to Saint Faustina Kowalska, a Sister of Our Lady of Mercy in a series of visions of Jesus in the 1930's.

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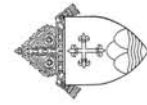
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CARDINAL SEÁN O'MALLEY



Mass Celebrant – Divine Mercy Sunday

The Church's Bishops are successors to the Apostles. In August 2009, we commemorate the 25th Anniversary of Cardinal Seán O'Malley's ordination as a Bishop. Cardinal Seán Patrick O'Malley, O.F.M. Cap., was born June 29, 1944 in Lakewood, Ohio, and was raised in Western Pennsylvania, where he entered a Franciscan seminary. At 21, he was professed into the Order of Friars Minor Capuchin and at 26 he was ordained a Catholic priest.

After earning a master's degree in religious education and a Ph.D. in Spanish and Portuguese literature from the Catholic University of America, he taught at Catholic University and founded *Centro Católico Hispano* in Washington, DC, an organization which provided educational, medical and legal help to immigrants.

Since his ordination to the episcopacy on August 2, 1984, he has served as the Bishop of the dioceses of St. Thomas in the Virgin Islands; Fall River, Massachusetts; and Palm Beach, Florida. Pope John Paul II appointed him Archbishop of Boston in July 2003. Pope Benedict XVI named him a Cardinal in 2006.

MARTIN DOMAN



Worship & Music Ministry

Martin Doman has been writing, performing, and ministering as a Catholic musician for over fifteen years. He has been featured on EWTN's "Life on the Rock" and "Backstage" programs, and has released several CD's of Catholic music. Martin coordinates the Eucharistic praise and worship ministry for the Diocese of Harrisburg, PA. Martin and his wife, Charlene, live in Dallastown, PA and have six beautiful children. This is Martin's third year leading the music for the BCMC/BCWC.

Martin's ministry is now partnering with CARITAS for Children, a Chicago-based charity for orphans in foreign countries. Please be sure to check out information on sponsoring an orphan at Martin's CD table and at the CARITAS for Children booth in the vendor area. For more information on Martin's ministry, please visit www.martindoman.com. • Martin wrote the 2008 Conference's Bicentennial Themesong: *You Are Our Legacy*, and the 2007 Boston Catholic Men's Conference Theme *Saint Patrick's Breastplate*, recorded by Martin and included on album "God's Goodness Thus Far."

THANK YOU TO OUR PRIESTS!

We are blessed by so many wonderful priests here today, in the Archdiocese of Boston and in surrounding dioceses. Despite their hectic weekend schedules, so many priests are here with us today because they want to show their support for us men and because they want to help us celebrate the Sacraments – particularly the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Please take a moment today, search out one of these fine priests, and thank him.



GUIDELINES FOR RECEPTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

Eucharist for Catholics: Catholics fully participate in the celebration of the Eucharist when they receive Holy Communion in fulfillment of Christ's command to eat His Body and drink His blood. In order to be properly disposed to receive Communion, Communicants should not be conscious of grave sin, have fasted for an hour, and seek to live in charity and love with their neighbors. Persons conscious of grave sin must first be reconciled with God and the church through the Sacrament of Penance. A frequent reception of the Sacrament of Penance is encouraged for all.

For other Christians: We welcome to this celebration of the Eucharist those Christians who are not fully united with us. It is a consequence of the sad divisions in Christianity that we cannot extend to them a general invitation to receive Communion. Catholics believe that the Eucharist is an action of the celebrating community signifying a oneness in faith, life and worship of the community. Reception of the Eucharist by Christians not fully united with us would imply a oneness which does not yet exist, and for which we must all pray.

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Diocese of Fall River Boston, March 13, 2009

Faithful get lobbying tips at workshop

By Tom Stone
Anchor Staff

Local Catholics are being trained in the art of lobbying by the Diocese of Fall River as part of a workshop held at the Diocese's headquarters in Fall River.

The workshop was held on Tuesday, March 10, at the Diocese's headquarters in Fall River. It was held in the afternoon and was open to all Catholics in the Diocese.

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Boston Men's Conference is April 18

By Thomas J. Stone
Anchor Staff

The Diocese of Fall River is sponsoring a men's conference in Boston on April 18. The conference is being held at the Boston Marriott Hotel.

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St. Joseph the carpenter: A role model for today's dads

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First Reading – A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles (Acts 4:32-35)

The community of believers was of one heart and mind, and no one claimed that any of his possessions was his own, but they had everything in common. With great power the apostles bore witness to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great favor was accorded them all. There was no needy person among them, for those who owned property or houses would sell them, bring the proceeds of the sale, and put them at the feet of the apostles, and they were distributed to each according to need. **THE WORD OF THE LORD, Thanks Be to God.**

Responsorial Psalm (Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24) –

Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, his love is everlasting.

- Let the house of Israel say, "His mercy endures forever." Let the house of Aaron say, "His mercy endures forever." Let those who fear the LORD say, "His mercy endures forever."
- I was hard pressed and was falling, but the LORD helped me. My strength and my courage is the LORD, and he has been my savior. The joyful shout of victory in the tents of the just:
- The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone. By the LORD has this been done; it is wonderful in our eyes. This is the day the LORD has made; let us be glad and rejoice in it.

Second Reading – A Reading from the First Letter of John (1 Jn 5:1-6)

Beloved: Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ is begotten by God, and everyone who loves the Father loves also the one begotten by him. In this way we know that we love the children of God when we love God and obey his commandments. For the love of God is this, that we keep his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, for whoever is begotten by God conquers the world. And the victory that conquers the world is our faith. Who indeed is the victor over the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

This is the one who came through water and blood, Jesus Christ, not by water alone, but by water and blood. The Spirit is the one that testifies, and the Spirit is truth. **THE WORD OF THE LORD, Thanks Be to God.**

Gospel – A Reading from the Holy Gospel According to Saint John (Jn 20:19-31)

On the evening of that first day of the week, when the doors were locked, where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in their midst and said to them, "Peace be with you." When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. The disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained."

Thomas, called Didymus, one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples said to him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands and put my finger into the nailmarks and put my hand into his side, I will not believe."

Now a week later his disciples were again inside and Thomas was with them. Jesus came, although the doors were locked, and stood in their midst and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands, and bring your hand and put it into my side, and do not be unbelieving, but believe." Thomas answered and said to him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed."

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples that are not written in this book. But these are written that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that through this belief you may have life in his name. **THE GOSPEL OF THE LORD, Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ.**



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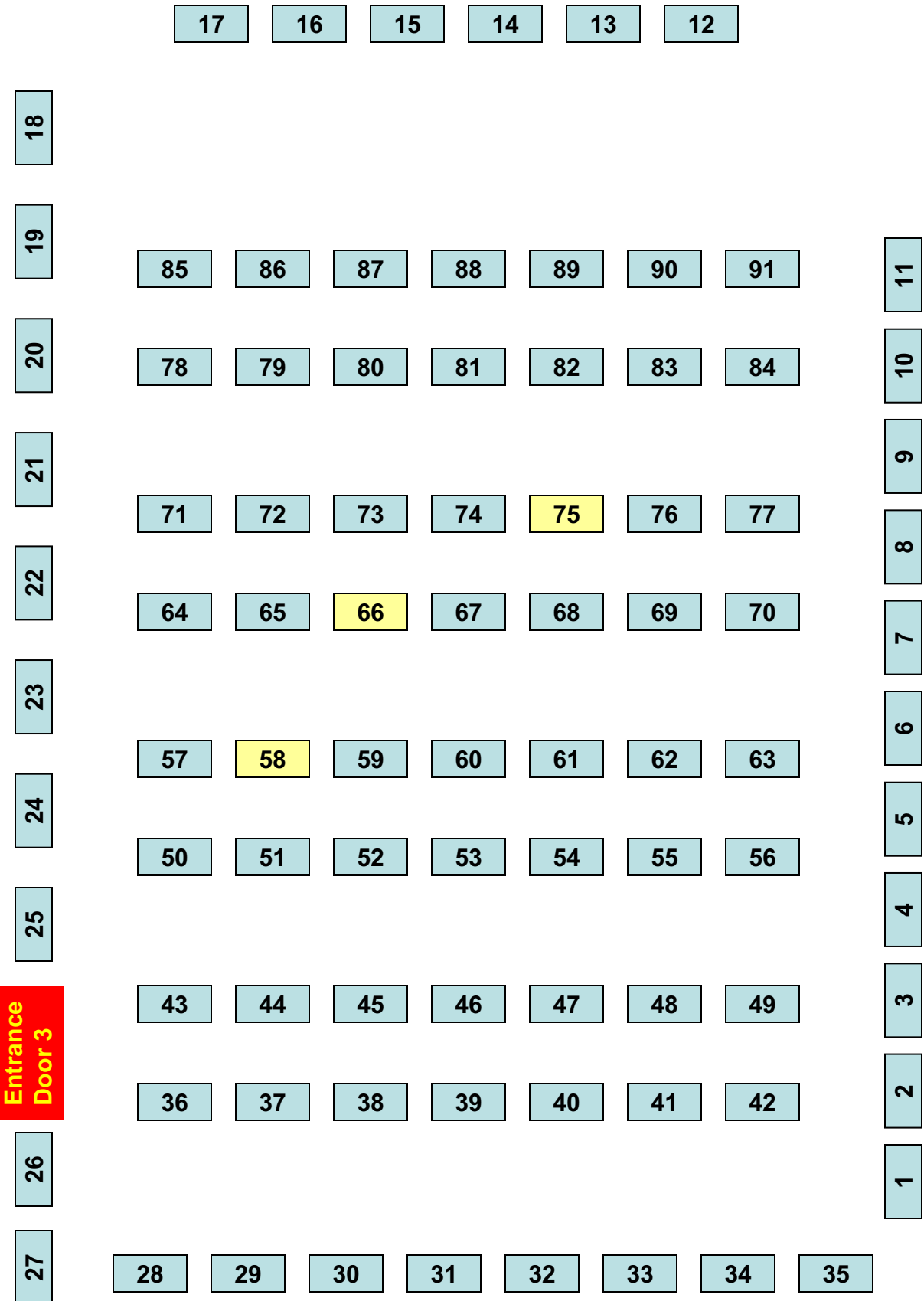
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