



## MEDIA ADVISORY

### **Religious freedom panel headlines a full day of events at Mercy Centre, Wed., July 27**

Archbishop Bashar Warda of Erbil, Iraq, and Archbishop William E. Lori of Baltimore, chairman of the USCCB Ad Hoc Committee for Religious Liberty, join other experts to discuss religious freedom around the world

The day's activities include media briefings with Cardinal Seán O'Malley of Boston and Night of Mercy festival with Bishop Robert Barron and others

- EVENTS/TIMES:** (Chronological order)
- 8:30 a.m. CEST** - Author, speaker and founder of Real Life Catholic, Chris Stefanick, demonstrates why he's helping to turn the tide in the Church with a call to live a bold, contagious faith
  - 9 a.m.** - Cardinal Seán O'Malley of Boston joins Sister Bethany Madonna, S.V. and Jason and Crystalina Evert to deliver a catechesis on selfless love and freedom; the catechesis concludes with Mass
  - 12:30 p.m.** - **School of Mercy breakout sessions**
  - 2 p.m.** - **Divine Mercy Talk and Chaplet**
  - 3:45 p.m.** - Panel discussion on religious freedom with Archbishop William E. Lori, George Weigel, Jacqueline Isaac, and Archbishop Bashar Matti Warda of Erbil, Iraq
  - 5 p.m.** - USA National Gathering - prayer, Scripture, music, witness, and celebration
  - 7 p.m.** - **Night of Mercy Youth Festival**, featuring XLT by Life Teen with Word on Fire's Bishop Robert Barron, Life Teen's Joel Stepanek and music by Matt Maher and Audrey Assad
  - 9:30 p.m.** - **Night of Mercy Youth Festival, featuring "Credo: I Believe in Mercy,"** an inspirational musical performance by Cenacolo Community at the outdoor stage
- MEDIA BRIEFINGS:** (Media Room)
- 12:30 p.m.** - Cardinal Seán O'Malley and Archbishop William E. Lori
  - 5:15 p.m.** - Archbishop William E. Lori, George Weigel, Jacqueline Isaac, Archbishop Bashar Matti Warda
  - 6:15 p.m.** - Archbishop Mieczysław Mokrzycki of Lviv, Chairman of the Conference of Roman Catholic Bishops of Ukraine
- WHERE:**
- Tauron Arena Kraków  
Media Room/Centre - Enter Gate A4 (look for signs/volunteer)  
Stanisława Lema 7, 31-571 Kraków, Poland  
*Members of the media can watch from the media room the main events and major papal events, including the Holy Father's arrival in Poland.*
- SHUTTLE AVAILABLE:** Complementary transportation to Mercy Centre upon request. CONTACT: Bill Thorn: +1-414-840-4348

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