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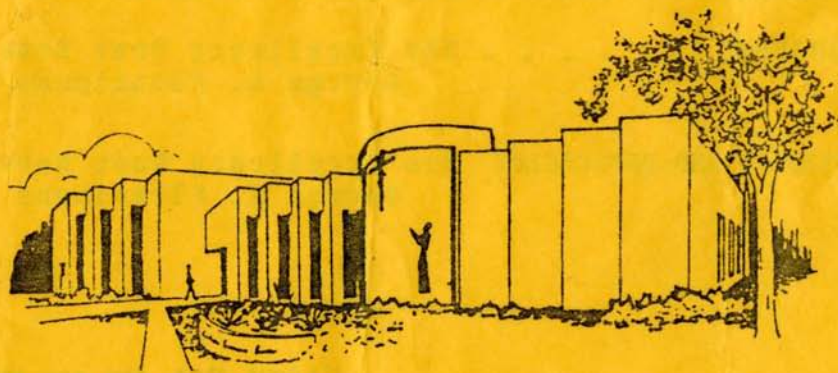
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Blessing and Dedication  
of  
the R.A. and  
Catherine Comeau Memorial  
Catholic Campus Center



by his Excellency  
George K. Fitzsimons  
Bishop of Salina, June 17, 1984

# PROGRAM

- INVOCATION . . . . . Father Jerome C. Morgan,  
pastor of Seven Dolors Church,  
Manhattan
- WELCOME . . . . . Melly Schmidt, Mayor of Hays
- WELCOME . . . . . Dr. Gerald W. Tomanek, President  
of Fort Hays State University
- REMARKS . . . . . Charles G. Comeau
- ADDRESS . . . . . His Excellency Most Reverend  
George K. Fitzsimons
- BLESSING AND DEDICATION His Excellency Most Reverend  
George K. Fitzsimons



"Admit God, and you introduce among the subjects of your knowledge, a fact encompassing, closing in upon, absorbing every other fact conceivable. How can we investigate any part of any order of knowledge, and stop short of that which enters into every order?"

-JOHN HENRY CARDINAL NEWMAN  
(The Idea of a University)

BLESSING OF THE CATHOLIC CAMPUS CENTER

BISHOP: Peace be to this place.

ALL: And to all who enter here.

BISHOP: Our help is in the name of the Lord.

ALL: Who made heaven and earth.

BISHOP: The Lord be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

BISHOP: Let us pray. God,, nothing is hidden from you; you know the secrets of our heart and will; we humbly ask you to purify our innermost thoughts by the out-pouring of the holy spirit, so that we might perform this blessing in a worthy manner, and thus obtain for your faithful people the happiness and peace that they seek.

ALL: Amen.

Blessing with Holy Water

BISHOP: Purify me with hyssop, Lord, and I shall be clean of sin. Wash me and I shall be whiter than snow.

(While the Bishop sprinkles the building with holy water, we sing The Peace Prayer of St. Francis)

Make me an instrument of peace O Lord,  
Make me an instrument of peace.

Where there is hatred, let me sow love.  
Where there is injury, pardon O Lord.  
And where despair, Lord, let me sow hope.  
Make me an instrument of peace.

Where there is doubt, Lord, let me sow faith,  
Where there is darkness, let me sow light,  
Where there is sadness, let me sow joy,  
Make me an instrument of peace.

Make me rather want to console than be consoled,  
Make me understand, Lord, than be understood,  
Make me an instrument of peace, O Lord,  
Make me an instrument of peace.



BISHOP: The Lord be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

BISHOP: Let us pray. O God, the Almighty Father, we fervently implore you to bless and sanctify this building and to enrich it with every good. Pour upon those who enter here, O Lord, an abundance of Your heavenly blessings, Along with the blessings of earthly needs. Mercifully hear and answer their prayers. We humbly beg You to bless and sanctify this building, as You were pleased to bless the home of the patriarchs, Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, through Christ our Lord.

ALL: Amen.

Blessing with Incense

BISHOP: Through the intercession of St. Michael, the Archangel, who stands at the right hand of the altar of incense, and that of Raphael and Gabriel and all the angels, be pleased, O Lord, to bless this incense and accept it as a fragrant offering; through Christ our Lord,

ALL: Amen.

BISHOP: May this incense blessed by You ascend to You, O Lord, and may Your kindness descend upon us.

(While the Bishop incenses the building, we sing the remainder of The Peace Prayer of St. Francis)

Make me an instrument of peace, O Lord,  
Make me an instrument of peace.

For it is in giving that we O Lord receive.  
For when we have pardoned that we are pardoned too.  
Make me an instrument of peace, O Lord.  
Make me an instrument of peace.

And in dying Lord, we come to life eternal.  
Make me an instrument of peace, O Lord,  
Make me an instrument of peace.

BISHOP: Let us pray. Hear us, holy Lord and Father, almighty, and everlasting God, and in your goodness send your holy angel from heaven to watch over and protect all who assemble in this building, and to be with them and give them comfort, encouragement, and peace. Shield them, Lord, from every evil. Inspire all who enter here with knowledge, wisdom, and reverence. Foster in them in your grace and love. This we ask through Christ our Lord

ALL: Amen

