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Diocese of Orange Media Alert/Photo Opportunity What: **Groundbreaking at new Christ Our Savior Catholic Church in Santa Ana Where**: 2000 West Alton Avenue, Santa Ana, CA 92704 **When** : **Saturday, June 1** following the 8 a.m. mass (approximately 8:45 a.m.) After the Mass, there will be a procession from the Church to the site that will be blessed in the parking lot. There will be a tent over the site of the new Church, the ceremony will be a multilingual service of the Liturgy of the Word with a blessing of the ground and the “ground breaking” with a shovel. **In Attendance**: Most Rev. Kevin W. Vann, Bishop of Orange; Rev. Steve Correz, Pastor Christ Our Savior Parish, Monsignor Michael McKiernon, Founding Pastor On site contact: Fr. Steve Correz,(fr.correz@coscp.org) 714-290-0580 (cell), Luis Ramirez, parish director (Lramirez@coscp.org) and Ron Raya (rraya@coscp.org) **Background** Prior to the Diocese of Orange acquiring the Crystal Cathedral Campus, Christ Our Savior in Santa Ana was designated as the new location for a Cathedral for the Diocese of Orange. With the purchase, renovation and upcoming dedication of Christ Cathedral in Garden Grove, Christ Our Savior Cathedral Parish has been renamed as Christ Our Savior Catholic Parish. A new era has begun for this young parish with the challenge of building a new church that answers to the needs of a diverse and growing community of faith. The Christ Our Savior groundbreaking comes at a time when many Catholic parishes across the U.S. are merging or closing altogether. The groundbreaking starts the construction of the long-awaited church building by this parish first established in 2005 by Most Rev. Tod Brown, Bishop Emeritus, with founding pastor Msgr. Michael McKiernan. The parish is currently worshiping in modular building that is inadequate in size for the growing Catholic community. **About the Roman Catholic Diocese of Orange** With 1.3 million Catholics, 57 parishes, five Catholic Centers and 41 schools, the Roman Catholic Diocese of Orange is one of the largest, most diverse and fastest-growing faith communities in the United States. The Diocese empowers Catholics across Orange County to have an active life of faith that is integrated and woven into the fabric of their daily lives through the community and sacramental life of the Church. Under the leadership of Bishop Kevin Vann, the Diocese works to establish and support dynamic, vibrant parishes and schools, and welcome all to live the Gospel with faith, joy, charity and unity. Christ Cathedral, the spiritual home of the Diocese, will be dedicated in July 2019. Learn more about the Diocese of Orange at **https://rcbo.staging.wpengine.com**

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