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Local Mass in Thanksgiving for Mother Teresa's Canonization

WHAT: Mass in Thanksgiving for Mother Teresa's Canonization

WHEN: Monday, September 5, 4:00 p.m.

WHERE: Sts. Teresa and Bridget Church (3636 N. Market St., 63113)

WHO: Local Missionaries of Charity and Catholic faithful; Fr. Tim Cook, celebrant

ST. LOUIS – The local Missionaries of Charity will celebrate the canonization of their founder, Mother Teresa of Kolkata, with a Mass on Monday, September 5, 2016 at 4 p.m. Fr. Tim Cook, pastor of Sts. Teresa and Bridget Church, will celebrate Mass.

Mother Teresa will be canonized by Pope Francis in a Mass and solemn ceremony at the Vatican on Sunday, September 4 beginning at 3:30 a.m. CT. A group from Blessed Teresa of Calcutta Catholic Church in Ferguson will be in Rome for the canonization.

In the Catholic Church, canonization is a declaration from the pope that an individual lived a life of “heroic virtue” and is worthy of veneration. The Holy Father declares that the canonized individual – referred to as a saint – having died is now with God and is an example of following Christ. Canonization is only declared after extensive research into an individual's life and the confirmation of at least two miracles having occurred through their intercession.

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