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**REMINDER
Octave of Christian Unity
January 18-25, 2008**

ALBUQUERQUE – Friday, January 18, 2008 IMMEDIATE RELEASE—Catholics of the Archdiocese of Santa Fe will join in prayer with fellow Christians this January 18-25, 2008. This annual octave, or week of prayer, reminds us of the great gift of unity that Christ calls all Christians to-- even amid differences and struggles. Catholics have been encouraged to open their homes to neighbors from various denominations in prayer, study, and sharing. This home-based form of ecumenism is instrumental in building understanding and peace in our world. **For the first time, the Archdiocese has designated eight churches to be places of prayer during the octave, fostering greater unity and peace.**

- **Friday, January 18, 6:00 pm** the **Cathedral Basilica of St. Francis of Assisi, Santa Fe** will begin the Octave hosting Ecumenical Vespers.
- **Saturday, January 19, 6:30 pm** **San Felipe Parish in Old Town** will host an Ecumenical Prayer Service.
- **Sunday, January 20, 1:30 pm** **Risen Savior Catholic Community, Albuquerque,** will hold an Ecumenical Service
- **Monday, January 21, 7:00 pm** the **University Parish of the Aquinas Newman Center, Albuquerque** will host an Ecumenical Celebration in song
- **Tuesday, January 22, 7:30 pm** **Our Lady of the Most Holy Rosary Parish, Albuquerque** will host an Ecumenical Prayer Service
- **Wednesday, January 23, 7:00 pm, Holy Family Parish, Chimayo** will host a Taize Prayer Service
- **Thursday, January 24, 10:30 am** **Sangre de Cristo Parish, Albuquerque,** will host a mid-morning Ecumenical Prayer Service
- **Friday, January 25, 7:00 pm, Our Lady of the Annunciation Parish, Albuquerque** - The Octave will conclude on the traditional feast of the Conversion of St. Paul, followed by a reception.

We encourage all men and women of good will to join in prayer during this week of unity and peace. All are encouraged to open their homes and hearts to one another. Contact Father Michael Demkovich, Director, Office of Ecumenical and Inter-Religious Affairs, 505.243.0525.