

Ordination and Consecration of the 12th Bishop of Chicago

The ordination and consecration of the Rev. Jeffrey Lee, bishop-elect of the Diocese of Chicago, will be held **Saturday, February 2, 2008** at the House of Hope Arena in Chicago's Pullman district (Far South Side). The original time of 11 am has been **changed to 1 pm**. As the arena holds 10,000 persons, all clergy and lay members are enthusiastically invited to participate. Because of security policies at the House of Hope Arena, this will be a ticketed event. Tickets are free but you will need reservations. The Transition Committee and the consecration planning team are asking that each congregation keep a list of those individuals who would like to attend the service. In mid January the committee will mail tickets to each congregation. In those packets will be extras for those who might not have had a chance to respond. Tickets will be made available in other ways as well. That information will be sent out after the first of the year. Congregations are encouraged to consider arranging group transport by van or bus. Ticket reservations can be arranged through Elaine Caldbeck Elaine's email: administrator@bishopforchicago.org.



There will be a pre-consecration reception/light meal to be held at the Church of the Atonement on the evening of February 1. Although the event is open to all, reservations must be made in advance and there will be a charge of \$20 per person. Information on reservations will be sent after the first of the year.

Volunteers will be needed for the liturgy of consecration. If you are interested in serving as an *usher*, *greeter*, *acolyte*, *thurifer*, *eucharistic minister*, *chorister*, please let us know. We'll do our best to accommodate all who wish to participate. For the moment, please contact Elaine Caldbeck at administrator@bishopforchicago.org. Include your name, church, phone and email address.

Our bishop-elect is a firm supporter of the ministry of all the baptized and we are hoping that the liturgy will reflect the ministry of all. With that in mind, we are inviting the children of the diocese to make the frontal and the hangings for the liturgy. We realize that this is short notice, but hope that you will take the opportunity in the first three weeks of the New Year to invite the children of your congregation to lend their talents to our celebration. We will be sending fabric squares to each congregation at the end of next week, instructions included. We wish to have the decorated fabric returned to us **by Wednesday the 23rd of January**. If you wish to be part of this project, please be in touch with Vicki Garvey at vgarvey@episcopalchicago.org.

Mailing address for tickets and volunteer sign up:

The Rev. Dr. Elaine Caldbeck
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Chicago, IL 60611

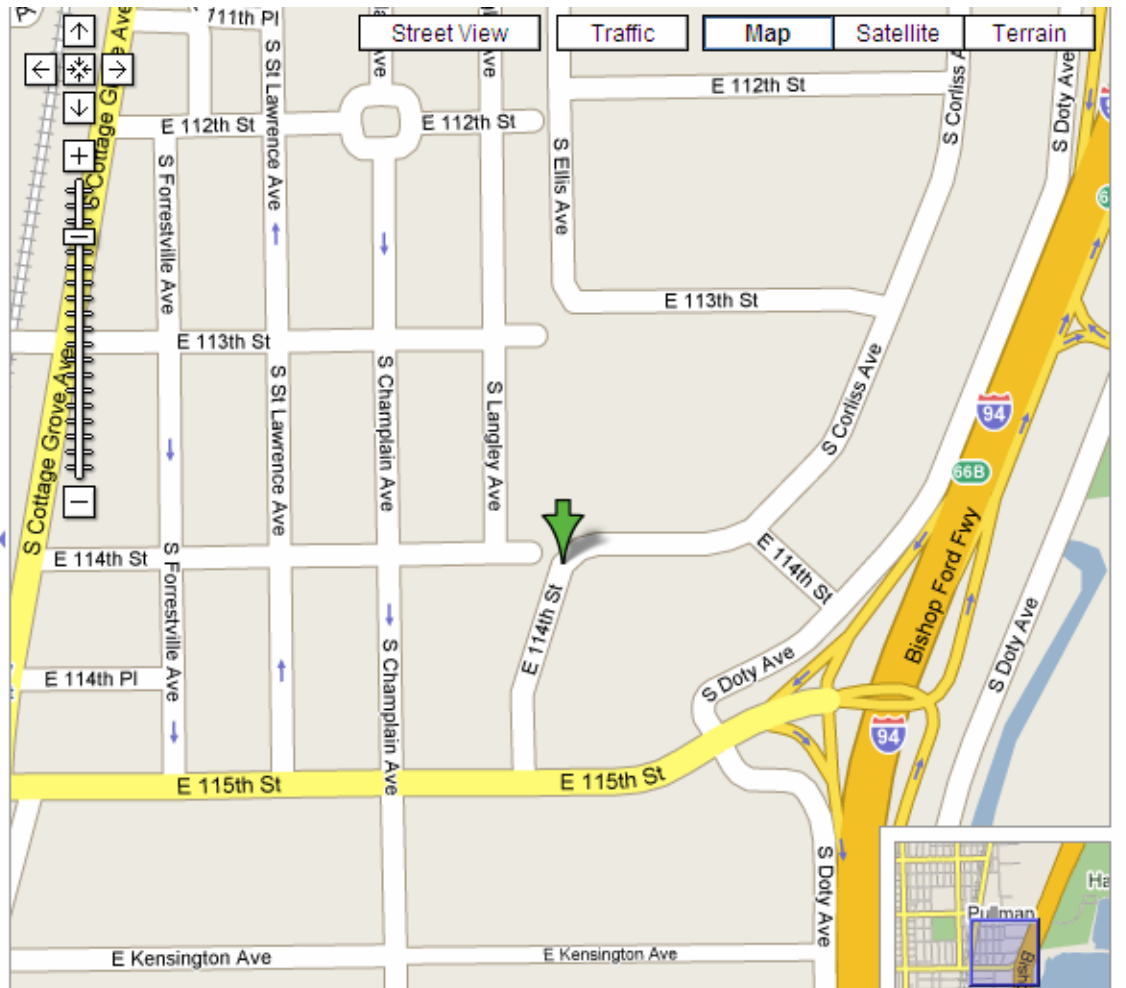
Directions to House of Hope

Bishop Ford (I94) expressway to the 115th Street exit. Take 115th Street west to 114th Street (second street on right).

Consecration Public transit options

House of Hope is accessible from the Metra Electric Line Kensington/115th Street stop at 115th Street and Cottage Grove Avenue. The arena is four blocks east of the stop. For schedule information visit the [Metra Electric Line webpage](#).

Chicago Transit Authority bus 111 stops at 115th Street and Cottage Grove, five blocks west of the arena. For information on trip planning using the CTA visit the [CTA trip planning webpage](#).



Local Lodging Options

Best Western Chicago Southwest
12800 South Ashland
Calumet Park, IL

Hotel Toledo Chicago
10928 S Michigan Ave
Chicago, IL 60628
Phone: (773)568-2643

Hilton Oak Lawn
9333 S Cicero Ave
Oak Lawn, IL 60453
1-708-425-7800

Holiday Inn Express Calumet Park
12800 S Ashland Ave
Calumet Park, IL 60827
1-708-3892600

Holiday Inn Southwest Oak Lawn
4140 West 95th Street
Oak Lawn, IL 60453
708) 425-7900

Ramada Lake Shore Chicago
4900 S Lakeshore Drive
Chicago, IL, 60615 US
773-288-5800

Super 8 Calumet Park
12808 S Ashland Ave
Calumet Park, IL 60827
1-800-261-8159