

Office of the Bishop

DIOCESE OF DALLAS

Dear Brothers and Sisters in the Lord,

On behalf of the local church, I warmly invite you to the Diocese of Dallas for the 50th Anniversary of the Annual Southwest Liturgical Conference Study Week. This anticipated event is always a wonderful gift and source of renewal for the Church of the Southwest and beyond. It is an opportunity for all of us to affirm our commitment to pass on the rich history of our Catholic faith: our beliefs, our rituals and our great spiritual traditions. I am pleased to welcome you not only as individuals who have a zeal for worship and liturgy, but also as collaborators with my brother bishops and myself.

The first SWLC was held in Dallas with the theme of "Liturgy: History and Reform." Our 50th Anniversary theme: *Keeping the Flame Alive, Liturgy: History and Reform* seems the perfect way to lead us into the next 50 years of our journey. Join us as we gather to renew our studies, to deepen our spirituality, to be enriched by each other so we may better serve the people of God.

Please be assured of my continued support and encouragement as you so generously dedicate your time and energy to this most important ministry.

Faithfully in Christ,

Most Reverend Kevin J. Farrell, D.D.

Bishop of Dallas