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# THE CATHOLIC DISTANCE UNIVERSITY

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## News Release

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### **The Catholic Distance University: Silver Jubilee Mass**

Bishop Paul S. Loverde, Chairman of the Board of The Catholic Distance University (CDU), will offer a Mass of Thanksgiving on Monday, June 23, at 5:30 pm at the Cathedral of St. Thomas More to mark the beginning of the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of The Catholic Distance University. A reception will follow in the lower level of the Cathedral in Burke Hall. The Board of Trustees welcomes the public to the Mass.

CDU was established in 1983 under the leadership of Bishop Thomas J. Welsh, founding Bishop of the Diocese of Arlington. The mission of CDU is to “Teach all Nations,” handing on the teachings of the Church through the techniques and technologies of modern distance education. CDU offers an accredited online MA degree and online BA degree in theology, the Catechetical Diploma, Advanced Catechist Certificate, and a variety of continuing education opportunities. Most courses and programs are delivered online, but courses are also available through paper-based correspondence courses.

CDU is approved by the Department of Defense for tuition reimbursement for active duty military personnel and accepts Veterans education benefits. It is accredited by the Accrediting Commission of the Distance Education and Training Council, is a member of CHEA, and has Title IV recognition from the US Department of Education. CDU is recognized by the Vatican Congregation for the Clergy to award the Catechetical Diploma and is certified by the State Council of Education of the Commonwealth of Virginia.

For more information on CDU’s upcoming Mass on June 23, email CDU at [cdu@cdu.edu](mailto:cdu@cdu.edu). For more information on their inspiring courses and programs, visit their website at [www.cdu.edu](http://www.cdu.edu) and call the Admissions Office toll-free 888-254-4238, ext. 700 or email [admissions@cdu.edu](mailto:admissions@cdu.edu).



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