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## **NEWS RELEASE**

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### **ANNUAL HISPANIC MASS ON OCTOBER 10, 2015**

**St. Petersburg, FL:** The Diocese of St. Petersburg invites the media to attend our annual Hispanic Mass / Misa Hispana, celebrated by Most Reverend Robert N. Lynch, Bishop of St. Petersburg.

The Hispanic Mass will begin at **11:00 A.M. on Saturday, October 10, 2015 at the Cathedral of St. Jude the Apostle** (5815 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue North, St. Petersburg, FL 33710). The day will begin by praying the Rosary, followed by the procession of Our Lady of Copacabana, the patroness of Bolivia. A procession of flags from the countries represented at the Mass will follow at 10:30 A.M. The Mass will begin at 11:00 A.M. A small reception will follow the Mass.

The number of Hispanic Catholics continues to increase within the Diocese of St. Petersburg. There are 445,456 Catholics in the Tampa Bay area. Of that number, there are more than **80,000** Hispanic Catholics.

More information about the Hispanic Mass may be found by visiting the Diocesan website <http://dosp.org/ministeriohispano/>

For questions about the Hispanic Mass, please contact Vivi Iglesias at 727-344-1611.

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