

## **The Ordination and Consecration of the Rev. Alan McIntosh Gates**

We are glad you will be joining with the Diocese of Massachusetts for the ordination and consecration of our bishop-elect, the Rev. Alan McIntosh Gates, on Saturday, Sept. 13 at Boston University's Agganis Arena. Specific information follows regarding ticketing and arrival, entrances, arena regulations, public transportation and driving directions, parking and accessibility.

This information is also available on our consecration webpage at:  
**[www.diomass.org/diocesan-news/gatesconsecration](http://www.diomass.org/diocesan-news/gatesconsecration)**

You can also visit the Agganis Arena website for maps and site information at:  
**[www.bu.edu/agganis](http://www.bu.edu/agganis)**.

### **Ticketing & Arrival**

**Everyone must have a ticket for admittance.** (E-mail confirmation of your online ticket registration will not serve as a ticket). A will-call table will be staffed at the arena on the morning of Sept. 13 to assist with ticketing questions. A limited number of tickets will be available at the will-call table.

General seating begins at 9:30 a.m. Everyone should arrive in time to be seated by 10:30 a.m. when the processions begin.

### **Entrances**

The main entrance to the Agganis Arena is at 925 Commonwealth Avenue, Boston. The main entrance will open at 9 a.m. General seating begins at 9:30 a.m.

Bishops, clergy in processions, choir members and all other participants will use the Feld Entrance (second entrance on the Harry Agganis Way side of the building). The Feld Entrance will open at 7:30 a.m.

- Bishops will gather in the Burke Club room.
- Clergy in processions will gather in the North Shell Space upstairs.
- Unless instructed otherwise (altar party, etc.), other procession members will gather in Team Rooms 1-4 on the lower level.
- Choir members will gather at section 103 inside the arena.

### **Agganis Arena Regulations**

- No bags larger than 12"x12"x6" are permitted inside the arena. There is no place to check oversize bags.
- **Please note:** Choir, clergy and participants may bring garment bags for robes/vestments through the Feld Entrance only. Bags will be inspected by Agganis Arena security.
- No outside food or beverages are permitted inside the arena; including water bottles. The refreshment stands will be open prior to the celebration.
- Other items not permitted inside the arena include but are not limited to: alcoholic beverages, bottles or cans of any type, coolers, weapons or firearms, illegal substances, noisemakers, backpacks, large banners, sticks or poles, folding chairs, stools, etc. Arena management reserves the right to remove any items it deems a violation of its building policy and security guidelines. No check-in services are available for prohibited items.

- No reentry is permitted
- If you have further questions, please review the Agganis Arena building policies at [www.bu.edu/agganis](http://www.bu.edu/agganis)

## **Parking**

The Agganis Arena provides four parking lots for event use. Please visit the Agganis website for a map of locations.

Parking on the day of the event is \$15 per vehicle. In the event that the arena garage and surface lot become full, vehicles will be directed to auxiliary parking lots within a short distance to the arena. These locations are Lot B on Babcock Street and Lot F at 808 Commonwealth Avenue.

From the arena garage, use the East Elevators or any of the garage stairways.

## **Accessible Parking and Drop-off**

Accessible parking spaces are available in all parking lots associated with the arena. The accessible drop-off location is located on the corner of Harry Agganis Way and Commonwealth Avenue. The main lobby entrance is accessible to guests with disabilities as are all arena entrances, hallways and pathways.

## **Accessibility**

The Agganis Arena is a fully accessible facility. Guests with disabilities receive preferential access to elevators during all arena events. All 15 public restrooms in the arena are equipped with accessible sinks, stalls and amenities. Please see the section above for information on accessible parking and drop-off.

Assisted listening devices will be available in the main lobby.

## **Language interpretation**

A limited number of headsets for simultaneous Spanish-language translation will be available in the main lobby. **Un número limitado de auriculares para la traducción simultánea en español estará disponible en el entrada principal.**

American Sign Language interpretation will be offered; please check in at the will-call table to be seated in this section.

## **Webcast**

There will be a live webcast available for those who cannot be at the celebration in person. Please check the consecration page on the diocesan website for a link. [www.diomass.org/diocesan-news/gatesconsecration](http://www.diomass.org/diocesan-news/gatesconsecration)

## **Refreshments**

No outside food or drink is permitted inside the arena. The refreshment stands in the arena will be open prior to the start of the service so guests may purchase snacks and beverages.

## **Photography**

No flash photography is permitted. Cameras will be allowed inside the arena, but they must conform to the bag regulations.

## **Public Transportation**

We encourage guests to use public transportation if possible. There are two Green Line stops just steps from the Agganis Arena (the St. Paul Street stop or the Pleasant Street stop) and the MBTA is an easy alternative to Boston driving and parking.

### **Green Line**

*Please note that the Government Center station is closed for construction. During construction, all Green Line trains will pass through Government Center but will not stop there.*

- From Lechmere, Science Park or North Station, take any Green Line train to Haymarket. At Haymarket, transfer to the westbound "B" train.
- From Cleveland Circle or Riverside, take any train inbound to Kenmore Square. Transfer to the outbound platform and board the "B" train.
- From Heath Street, take any train inbound to Arlington station. Transfer to the outbound platform and board the "B" train.
- Take the "B" train to either the St. Paul Street or Pleasant Street stop; both are approximately one block from the arena.

### **Driving Directions**

From the north

1. Take I-93 or Route 1 South to Boston. Exit onto Storrow Drive.
2. Continue on Storrow Drive to the Kenmore Square Exit.
3. At the first set of lights, turn right onto Beacon Street.
4. Bear right at the far end of Kenmore Square onto Commonwealth Avenue.
5. Continue on Commonwealth Avenue to Agganis Arena (approximately 1 mile).

From the south

1. Take I-93 Route 3 (Southeast Expressway) North to Boston. Exit onto Storrow Drive.
2. Continue on Storrow Drive to the Kenmore Square Exit.
3. At the first set of lights, turn right onto Beacon Street.
4. Bear right at the far end of Kenmore Square onto Commonwealth Avenue.
5. Continue on Commonwealth Avenue to Agganis Arena (approximately 1 mile).

From the west

1. Take the Massachusetts Turnpike (I-90) East. Take Exit 18 on the left (Brighton/Cambridge).
2. Follow signs to Cambridge. At the second set of lights, turn right.
3. Continue on Storrow Drive to the Kenmore Square Exit.
4. At the first set of lights, turn right onto Beacon Street.
5. Bear right at the far end of Kenmore Square onto Commonwealth Avenue.
6. Continue on Commonwealth Avenue to Agganis Arena (approximately 1 mile).