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To: News Editors, Assignment Desks, and Other Interested Persons
From: Archdiocesan Communications
RE: Funeral Liturgy for Neal Shine
Date: Wednesday, April 11, 2007

The funeral liturgy for retired *Detroit Free Press* publisher and columnist Neal Shine, 76, who died April 3, will be held at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, April 11, at St. Ambrose Church, 15004 Hampton, Grosse Pointe Park. Prior to the Mass, from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m., Shine's body will lie in state in the church.

Fr. Timothy Pelc, pastor of St. Ambrose, will be the celebrant and homilist for the Mass. Cardinal Adam Maida, archbishop of Detroit, and Detroit Auxiliary Bishop John Quinn will be in attendance. Television monitors will be set up in the church hall, known as The ARK, in order to accommodate the expected overflow crowd.

The *Detroit Free Press* will be responsible for the still photo pool. **The Contact Person at the Free Press is Craig Porter (313-222-6587).** Channel 4 (*WDIV*) is providing a pool audio and video feed and will have a specially designated spot to the right of the church entrance. A multibox will be provided at this location. **The Contact Person at Channel 4 is Jeffrey Liebman (313-222-0514).**

The Archdiocesan Department of Communications relays a request from the Shine family that no recording devices—other than the pool cameras—be allowed inside the church building while the body lies in state or during the funeral Mass. Reporters and crews covering this story are reminded of the solemnity of this occasion and are asked to respect the Shine family's need for privacy and personal space.

There will be two parking spots reserved—and only two spots reserved—for Channels 2 and 7 in the parish parking lot, located directly to the right of the church (Hampton at Wayburn). All other news media covering the services are requested to park behind the church in an unpaved lot only accessible by turning from Jefferson on to Wayburn.

Media organizations with questions regarding this advisory or its directives should contact Ned McGrath at work (313-237-5943) or at home (313-886-4114).

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