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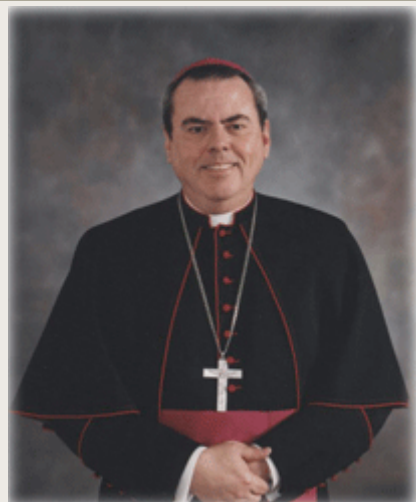
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Most Reverend Michael J. Sheridan
Bishop of Colorado Springs

We all have friends or family members who've fallen away from the practice of their Catholic faith. Whatever their reasons, it is time for them—and all our Catholic brothers and sisters—to come home to the Church.

To help achieve that goal I would like to share with you a new evangelization initiative called [Catholics Come Home](#). I am excited about this program, which makes use of brief [spots](#) on broadcast and cable television to spread the welcoming message of the Catholic Church. This project seeks to move the minds and hearts of Catholics - and non-Catholics as well - to come home to the Catholic Church. We will broadcast these professionally produced [spots](#) during the later days of Advent, and after Christmas inviting our fellow Catholics and all Christians back home.

This is an initiative that needs support from faithful Catholics within the diocese. A couple of weeks ago you should have received an invitation to the Broadmoor to share a meal and learn about [Catholics Come Home](#). There are two meals for you to choose from:

- Dinner: September 16, 2009 at 6pm.
- Lunch: September 17, 2009 at 12noon.

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[Catholics Come Home](#) Quick Facts:

- According to census data, 147,600 people in El Paso and Douglas Counties identify themselves as Catholic. At least half of them are fallen away.
- After running the Catholics Come Home program, the Diocese of Phoenix, AZ experienced a 12% increase in Mass attendance. The Diocese of Corpus Christi experienced a 17% increase.
- By supporting Catholics Come Home in the Diocese of Colorado Springs you can help bring fallen-away Catholics back to Christ.

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