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THE UST PRESIDENT LECTURE SERIES PRESENTS:
“Religion and Human Rights in Zimbabwe–
The Challenges of an Ethical Position”

WHAT: Zimbabwean Archbishop Pius Alick Ncube, winner of several humanitarian awards, will speak on human rights and ethics as part of the University of St. Thomas President’s Lecture Series. The title of his speech is “Religion and Human Rights in Zimbabwe–The Challenges of an Ethical Position.”

WHO: Pius Alick Ncube, Archbishop of Bulawayo, Zimbabwe

WHEN: Two Day Event
Mass and Candlelight Prayer at 8 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 24
Chapel of St. Basil, Labyrinth Meditation Garden, 3802 Yoakum

Lecture at 7:30 p.m. Monday, Sept. 25
Nold Auditorium
St. Mary's Seminary, 9845 Memorial Drive

BACKGROUND: Archbishop Alick Ncube a leading figure in Zimbabwe’s human rights movement. He has received several awards including the Robert Burns Humanitarian Award in 2005 for his passion and commitment to preserving human rights among the people of Africa.

As shining star in the fight for human rights, Archbishop Ncube has helped to mobilize a multi-denominational church coalition in Zimbabwe, which is now seen as on the major potential forces in bringing about change. In 2003 he received a Human Rights Award for speaking out against human rights violations.

Archbishop Ncube was born in Gwanda. After years of priestly training he was ordained in 1973 and later became Archbishop of Bulawayo in 1998. Archbishop Ncube has presided over numerous mission trips, served as a parish priest and has earned a master’s degree in theology from the Lateran University in Rome.

COST: Free and open to the public.

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