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## **Montco Commissioner Shapiro to Greet Pope**

**Norristown, PA (September 23, 2015)** – Montgomery County Commissioner Chair Josh Shapiro will be one of three persons who will welcome Pope Francis to Montgomery County when the Pope arrives at St. Charles Borromeo Seminary in Lower Merion early Saturday afternoon.

Shapiro will be joined by Bishop Timothy C. Senior, rector of St. Charles, and Liz Rogan, president of the Lower Merion Board of Commissioners.

“I am deeply honored to be able to welcome the Holy Father on behalf of the 810,000 residents of Montgomery County,” Shapiro said. “This is an honor for Montgomery County to serve as the Pope’s home away from Rome while he is in Philadelphia.”

When he meets the Pope, Shapiro will present him with a framed scroll welcoming him to Montgomery County. The scroll was created by the Valley Forge Tourism and Convention Board.

The Pontiff will stay at St. Charles during his two-day stay in Philadelphia. The Pope is scheduled to arrive in Philadelphia at 9:30am Saturday. He is expected to reach St. Charles Seminary shortly after noon after saying Mass at the Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul.



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