

## Cardinal Lauds Joint Efforts to Defend Religious Freedom

In the first address given by a cardinal at Brigham Young University, his Eminence Francis Cardinal George said Catholics and Latter-day Saints must stand together in defense of religious freedom in the United States.

“When government fails to protect the consciences of its citizens, it falls to religious bodies, especially those formed

by the gospel of Jesus Christ, to become the defenders of human freedom,” he said.

Cardinal George, the Archbishop of Chicago and President of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, addressed a group of 12,000 Latter-day Saint students and faculty members in the Marriott Center in Provo, Utah, USA.

He expressed his gratitude that “Catholics and Latter-day Saints have come to see one another as trustworthy partners in the

defense of shared moral principles.”

Both churches have stood together on issues such as abortion, pornography, and gay marriage, he noted.

“Religious freedom cannot be reduced to freedom of worship nor even freedom of private conscience,” he said. “Religious freedom means that religious groups as well as religious individuals have a right to exercise their influence in the public square.” ■

## WORLD BRIEFS

### Ogden Temple to Undergo Renovation

The nearly 40-year-old Ogden Utah Temple will undergo a major 18- to 24-month renovation.

The core design of the temple interior will remain the same, but the exterior will feature a new design, with new stone and glass.

The building will be remodeled to meet seismic requirements, feature the latest technology, and include more energy-efficient equipment. An underground parking structure will also be added.

### Honor Bee Charm Created

In conjunction with several changes to the Personal Progress program, an Honor Bee charm is now available to young women who go beyond the regular requirements.

To receive the charm, a young woman may reread the Book of Mormon and complete 40 additional hours of service after receiving her Young Womanhood Recognition medallion. Part of this service must include helping another young woman complete her Personal Progress goals. This award is a small charm is worn on the same necklace with the medallion.



### Exhibit Features Latin American Saints

The Church History Museum recently opened a new bilingual exhibit called “Mi Vida, Mi Historia: Stories of Faith and Inspiration from Latin American Saints,” which highlights spiritual experiences from the lives of 24 members. Their photos are hung throughout the exhibit, and interactive audiovisual kiosks allow visitors further insight into participants’ lives. The exhibit is available online in Spanish and English at [lds.org/museum](https://lds.org/museum). Click on **Exhibits and Galleries**, then on **Current Exhibits**. ■