



June 15, 2006 - Cardinal Seán's Statement On Fall River Fire Tragedy

In the midst of the tragic losses in last night's fire we remember that the Portuguese community in Fall River has always drawn great strength from faith and family. Though we are greatly saddened and mourn the loss of our loved ones, we trust in Jesus' promise to be with us always, even in our most difficult hour. We pray for the repose of the souls of those who died in the fire and for their families and friends. We give thanks for the firefighters who responded with great courage and professionalism and for the many men and women who aided their fellow citizens at the scene. We pray for healing and recovery for those who were injured and trust that the community will support them and their families at this time. The people of Fall River remain close to my heart, be assured of my prayers and remembrance at Mass.

Cardinal Seán

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