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## **SISTERS OF ST. FRANCIS RE-OPEN CHAPEL AND BLESSED MARIANNE COPE SHRINE**

**Syracuse, NY. September 19, 2010** – On the feast of St. Francis, October 4, the Sisters of St. Francis will reopen their chapel at St. Anthony Convent, which has been undergoing renovations for several months. Bishop Robert J. Cunningham will bless the refurbished altar and celebrate liturgy with the sisters and their associates. The chapel renovations include a new altar of repose, installation of air-conditioning and relocation of Blessed Marianne Cope's shrine.

On Wednesday, October 6, the shrine honoring Blessed Marianne, will be re-opened to the public. Although there is no special ceremony marking this day, all are welcome to visit the shrine which is now more accessible for visitors. Sisters will be available as guides on this day. The shrine at St. Anthony Convent is located at 1024 Court Street, Syracuse, N.Y., 13208. Ongoing visiting hours are: Wednesdays from 1 to 5 p.m. and Saturdays from 1 to 5 p.m.