

Bishop Remi De Roo

The Second Vatican Council: A Message of Hope

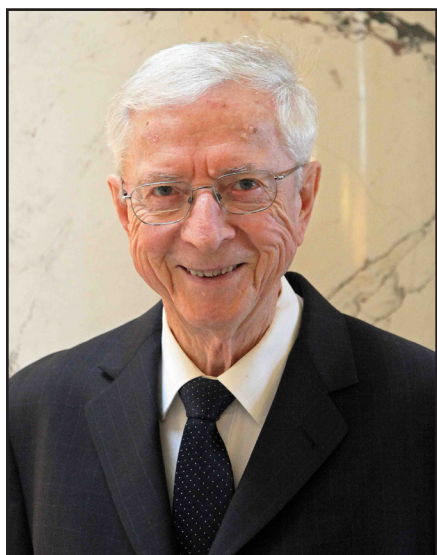


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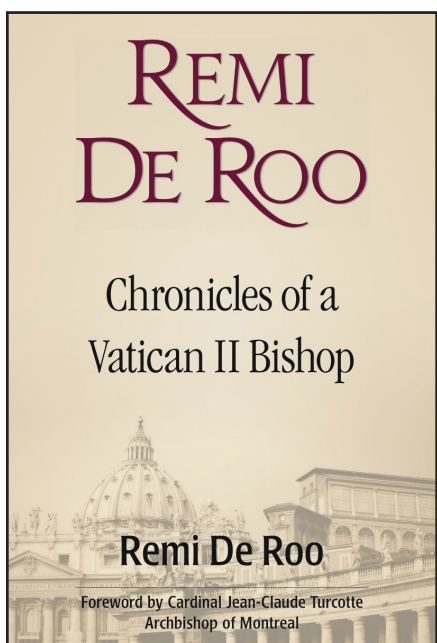
Sunday, February 24 / 3:00 p.m. / Free
Friar's Lounge, Mission Renewal Center
2201 Laguna Street, Santa Barbara

On the occasion of the 50th Anniversary of the Second Vatican Council, Bishop Remi De Roo will re-examine some of its achievements and ponder its meaning for today's church and world. He will consider the Council's legacy in light of contemporary events and highlight the enrichment it has provided in the domain of society as well as in religious spheres. Despite the controversies regarding the outcomes of the Ecumenical Council there remains in its substance a powerful message of hope.

Born in Swan Lake, Manitoba, Canada into a farming family, Bishop Remi De Roo pursued studies in theology and was ordained to the priesthood in 1950. In 1962, at age 38, he was called to be Bishop of the Diocese of Victoria, B.C. He participated actively in all four sessions of Vatican II (1962-1965). During his active ministry he was deeply engaged in issues of social justice, ecumenism and interfaith dialogue, renewal of church structures, and the promotion of personal and spiritual development. Now 88, he maintains his energy and enthusiasm for the renewed vision of the Council and his firm belief in its overarching mission: to present the gospel values in a loving and effective way to a world that hungers for truth, justice, compassion and lasting peace. His latest book, *Chronicles of a Vatican II Bishop*, which was published in September of 2012, will be available for purchase and signing at this event.

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