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**CINGULAR WIRELESS HELPS “MAKE CONNECTIONS” FOR  
ST. ANTHONY FOUNDATION GUESTS WITH ANNUAL PHONE PARTY**

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**PLACE:** 109 Golden Gate Avenue, Poverello Room

**DATE:** Friday, December 16, 2005

**TIME:** Noon – 2:00 p.m.

**WHAT:** Cingular Wireless will provide free domestic and international long-distance wireless phone calls for St. Anthony Foundation guests. Guests of St. Anthony Dining Room, residents of St. Anthony Foundation's residential programs and clients of various St. Anthony social service programs will be able to reconnect with family and loved ones anywhere in the world.

“The holidays can sometimes be sad occasions for our guests because many have lost contact with their friends and families,” said St. Anthony Foundation Executive Director Fr. John Hardin. “With this phone party, Cingular offers a wonderful opportunity for people to reconnect with loved ones, and the joy that results from these calls expresses the true meaning of this season of hope.”

Light refreshments will also be provided for the guests to enjoy before or after they make their wireless phone calls.

St. Anthony Foundation was founded in 1950 by Franciscan Friar Alfred Boeddeker. In addition to the Dining Room, which has served over 32 million meals since its founding, St. Anthony's programs include one of the oldest and largest free medical clinics in San Francisco; a free clothing and furniture program; a residence for low-income senior women; three residential drug and alcohol rehabilitation centers; an employment program; a social work center; shelter and transitional housing for homeless and mentally ill women; and educational programs for the community on issues of poverty and homelessness.

Funding for St. Anthony Foundation's programs comes entirely from the private sector; we do not accept any federal, state, or local government funds.

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