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Illinois Catholic Health Association Annual Meeting September 3, 2026 Diocese of Joliet / Blanchette Catholic Center 16555 Weber Road, Crest Hill, Illinois

AGENDA

7:45AM		Mass
8:45AM	Welcome / ICHA Business	Msgr. Mark Merdian ICHA Board Chair
8:55AM	Opening Prayer	TBA
9:00AM	Assisted Suicide: A Physicians Perspective	Michael Hawking Oncologist University of Chicago
9:30AM	<i>Break</i>	
10:00AM	Assisted Suicide: An Ethical Response	Erica Laethem Ethicist OSF Healthcare
11:00AM	<i>Break</i>	
11:30AM	Assisted Suicide: A Legal Review	Jim Geoly Legal Counsel Archdiocese of Chicago
12:00PM	Closing Prayer	TBA
12:15PM	Adjournment/Lunch	Msgr. Mark Merdian ICHA Board Chair

*Pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death
(Hail Mary)*