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Archbishop Niederauer recovering from major surgery

(September 22, 2011) SAN FRANCISCO – San Francisco Archbishop George Niederauer, who recently underwent emergency double bypass surgery in Southern California is recovering “as expected from the major procedure,” San Francisco Auxiliary Bishop William J. Justice said in a Sept. 22 statement on the archbishop’s condition.

“Following his doctors’ orders, he continues to be unable to accept visitors or calls during this period of recovery,” Bishop Justice said, noting the archbishop “is keeping up with his correspondence” and expresses “his appreciation for your prayers, and for your expressions of concern and affection.”

Archbishop Niederauer has returned from Southern California to his residence in San Francisco, a complex that adjoins St. Mary’s Cathedral.

Archbishop Niederauer was appointed San Francisco’s eighth archbishop Dec. 15, 2005. He celebrated his 75th birthday June 14.

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