



DECREE
OF THE RELEGATION TO
PROFANE BUT NON-SORDID USE OF
THE ORATORY AT
MOTHER OF CHRIST PASTORAL CENTER

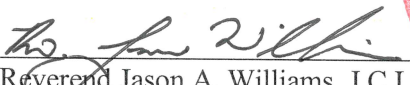
In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Whereas, in May of 1919 Saint Bernard Parish was founded in Spring Grove Village, Ohio; and
Whereas, to better address the spiritual needs of the faithful living in nearby Winton Hills, Mother of Christ Pastoral Center was established as a mission of Saint Bernard Parish in 1946; and
Whereas, in the mid-1960s land was purchased and property developed for a stable worship site at 5301 Winneste Avenue; and
Whereas, my predecessor, the Most Reverend Karl J. Alter, did not establish the worship space at the Mother of Christ Pastoral Center as a church, but granted that it be suitably set aside as sacred space (i.e. a canonical oratory, cf. canon 1223) by a blessing on February 5, 1965, by the Reverend Charles McGurn; and
Whereas, over the course of the last several years the community who gathers at the Mother of Christ Pastoral Center has experienced a decrease in attendance and available financial resources; and
Whereas, public worship will cease at the Mother of Christ Pastoral Center on December 29, 2024;

I, Dennis M. Schnurr,
Archbishop of Cincinnati,
hereby decree that the public oratory at the
MOTHER OF CHRIST PASTORAL CENTER
be relegated to profane but non-sordid use,
effective January 1, 2025.

Given from the Chancery of the Archdiocese,
Cincinnati, Ohio,
on the 22nd day of November in the Year of Our Lord 2024,
Memorial of Saint Cecilia, Virgin and Martyr.


Most Reverend Dennis M. Schnurr
Archbishop of Cincinnati


Reverend Jason A. Williams, J.C.L.
Chancellor

