

St. Peter's Church



4th Sunday of Easter
May 12, 2019

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Rectory Office Hours

Monday through Thursday 9:00–2:00pm

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Schedule of Weekend Masses

Saturday Vigil: 5:00pm ~ Sunday: 8:30am

Reconciliation

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday 11:45am -12:00noon;

Saturday 4:15 – 4:45pm; By appointment by calling the Rectory.

Mission Statement

We, the parishioners of St. Peter's Church, are called to holiness by God as present day disciples of Jesus Christ. Through the power of the Holy Spirit, we are united in service to God to share our faith with one another and our community. May our participation in the Holy Sacraments, our ministries and our devotion to Mary bring glory to God and His Kingdom.

Emergency Contact

In the event of an emergency, please call the rectory at 570-724-3371. If no answer, please call 570-329-5762. This is a pager. You will be instructed to enter your phone number and Fr. Bechtel will return your call.

Pregnancy Support

Catholic Social Services (800) 982-4310

Crisis Pregnancy Help line (888) 4-OPTIONS

Endless Mountains Pregnancy Care Center (570) 673-4476

Religious Education and Formation

Religious Education classes are held for Pre-K – 12th grade. Classes begin in September and conclude in May. Pre-K (ages 3-5) is held during the 8:30am Mass. K-12th begins at 9:30am and concludes at 10:40am. To register, please contact the Religious Education Office at 570-724-9789 or the Rectory at 570-724-3371. Children's Liturgy (grades K-4th) is held during the 8:30am Mass when Religious Education classes are in session.

Welcome to St. Peter's Church!

If you are visiting Tioga County this weekend, welcome and thank you for worshiping with us! If you are searching for a Spiritual home, we welcome you to join us and invite you to become part of our church family. Please complete this form and return it to the parish office or drop it in the offertory basket.

Request for Parishioner Registration Form

Name _____

Phone _____

Address _____

Happy Mother's Day
"She is clothed with strength and dignity,
and laughs at the days to come.
Her children rise up and call her blessed;
her husband, too, praises her." Proverbs 31

Parish Contact Listing

Women's Bible Study – Sue Singer 570-724-2360

Contemplative Spirituality Group – Kate Black 570-724-3047

Cards & Games – Patty Kramer 570-948-9023

Knights of Columbus – George Gamble 570-724-5216

Social Concerns – Karen Plumley 570-439-0175

Parish Rummage Sale – Mary Lasko 570-439-7706

Pat Gorda 570-724-3035

Church Linens & Decorations – Sue Singer 570-724-2360

Buildings & Grounds – Rick Joachim 570-439-2591

Cemetery Committee – Howard Rutledge 570-724-4529

Fundraising Dinners – Paul Urner 570-723-9970

Music Ministry – Christina Simonis 570-724-2085,

Marilyn deGuzman 570-376-5427

Samaritan House – Linda Sampson 570-404-2180

Youth Group – Maureen Poirier/ Melissa Mann 570-724-9789

Eucharistic Adoration – Rhonda Gooch 570-724-3092

Finance Council – Priscilla Walrath 570-724-2056

Parish Council – Rectory 570-724-3371

Worship Committee – Rectory 570- 724-3371

Sunday Nursing Home Communion – Eileen Evert 570-439-4470

Prayer Chain – Kate Black 570-724-3047

Order of Secular Carmelite – Lori Makos 570-724-3371

ChristLife – Norb Josten 570-724-9095

Prayer Shawl Ministry - Jan Bernethy 307-267-0677

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Date	Time	Confession Time and Mass Intention
Monday 5/13	No Mass	
Tuesday 5/14	7:30am	Living & Deceased Members of the Laverne Family (Wayne & Sue Singer)
Wednesday 5/15	11:45am-12:00pm 12:10pm	Confessions In Memory of Helen Pietrowicz (Tascione Family)
Thursday 5/16	11:45am-12:00pm 12:10pm	Confessions In Memory of John & Francis Dlugokinski (Ostapowicz Family)
Friday 5/17	11:45am-12:00pm 12:10pm	Confessions In Memory of Beth Patt (Frank Patt)
Saturday 5/18	4:15-4:45pm 5:00pm	Confessions In memory of Kathryn Germino (Mark & Margo Germino)
Sunday 5/19	8:30am	In Memory of Jim & Holly Josten (Family)

The Sanctuary Candle is offered in Memory of
All deceased mothers of St. Peter's Parish

The Week Ahead

TUESDAY, May 14, 2019

Adoration - 8:00am-6:30pm; Benediction – 6:30pm
Women's Bible Study – 9:00am, Parish Center
AA/Al-Anon – 8:00pm, Parish Center

WEDNESDAY, May 15, 2019

Staff Meeting – 8:30am, Rectory
Broad Acres Mass – 10:30am

THURSDAY, May 16, 2019

Cards & Games – 12:00pm, Parish Center

FRIDAY, May 17, 2019

Rectory Closed

SUNDAY, May 19, 2019

Graduation Mass & Breakfast
Safety & Security Team Meeting – 9:30am, Parish Center

ST. THOMAS/ST. CATHERINE MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 7:00pm, St. Catherine, Westfield
Sunday 11:30am, St. Thomas, Elkland

FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS - This month's food pantry items are: Creamy Peanut Butter & Grape Jelly. A donation box can be found at the entrance of the church.

GOODIES FOR OUR TROOPS - This month's Goodies for our Troops items are: foot aids, eye drops, lip balms, sunscreen, trail mix, flavored sunflower seeds, beef jerky, slim jims, Oreos, tootsie pops, lollipops & personal notes. A donation box can be found at the entrance of the church.

Ministers of the Altar Schedule

May 18th/19th

5:00pm

Altar Servers: J.Grab, M. Mann

Lectors: D.Sherman, D.Bleggi

E. Min.: T.Straniere, D.Kerestes, I.Dziengowski, K.Wilcox

8:30am

Altar Servers: W.Feil, S.Zimmerman, E.Benjamin

Lectors: M.Ostapowicz, T.Reindl

E. Min.: L.Whitney, M.Stirnman, N.Ostapowicz, A.Huck

Sacramental Information

Baptisms - Parents anticipating the birth of their first child are asked to attend baptismal instructions classes before the birth of their child, if possible. Note: Baptisms cannot be scheduled until all the necessary paperwork is completed. Contact the Rectory to schedule.

Confirmation - Confirmation is administered every year to all 8th grade students in our Parish Religious Education program. Children wishing to receive Confirmation must be enrolled and participating in the program for two years before they are eligible to receive the sacrament.

Marriages - In order to complete the necessary paperwork, couples are asked to contact the Rectory at least one full year in advance of the proposed marriage date.

Anointing of the Sick - Please contact the Rectory if a member of your family has become sick or hospitalized.

Monthly Visitations - Any parishioner who is homebound and wishes to receive the Eucharist on a monthly basis is asked to contact the Rectory to schedule a visit.

Rite of Christian Initiation in Adults - R.C.I.A. prepares those who are unbaptized for full initiations into the Catholic Church. The program is adapted to the needs of each person. Contact the Rectory for more information.

“Every morning, God comes to find us where we are. He summons us to rise at his word, to look up and to realize that we were made for heaven.” Pope Francis



Liturgical Reflection

4th Sunday of Easter

FIRST READING: Acts 13:14, 43-52

Paul and Barnabas continue to preach to the provinces, this time in Pisidia, which was part of Galatia. Uncowed by the hostile reception of the local Jews, they converted the Gentiles. At the hands of Paul, the Gospel's intended audience shifted to almost entirely Gentile, and today's story shows us an important turning point. Paul recognized that Jesus was the fulfillment of Old Testament prophecy and that his ministry had been exclusively to his own people. But under the influence of the Spirit, he also recognized that many of Jesus' own closed their hearts to his message; in that reality Paul discerned a call to take the Gospel to anyone and everyone who would hear it. Note the echoing of Simeon in the phrase "a light for the nations," drawn from Isaiah 49:6.

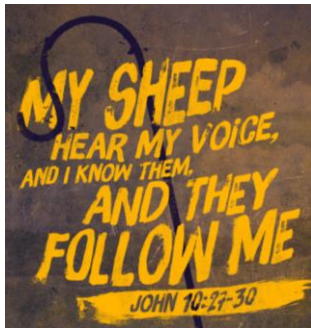
RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 100

The Responsorial Psalm celebrates the fact that Jesus is our Good Shepherd and we are the sheep of his flock. This fact fills us with joy. We are not left to struggle through life by our own devices. We have a loving shepherd who will guide us with kindness and gentleness.

SECOND READING: Revelation 7:9, 14-17

John's vision continues, and now he hears of the promises of salvation. The elect of God stand in his presence and praise, with palm branches that represent victory. Representatives of all people are present. Human hearts long to hear words of comfort and assurance like those proclaimed at the end of this text. The promises of the freedom that comes in the presence of God are inspiring.

GOSPEL: John 10:27-30



Coming at the end of Jesus' sublime Good Shepherd discourse, this brief passage asserts Jesus' devotion for his sheep and his identity with the Father. Jesus' description of himself as the Good Shepherd left his listeners divided. Here, Jesus makes

promises to those who "hear his voice," whose hearts are open and recognize their dependence on God rather than on their observance of the Law, in contrast with those who have ears but do not hear. He is God's incarnate word, and therefore one with the Father. He concludes with a powerful assertion that there is no distance between what they see and hear from him and what comes from the Father.

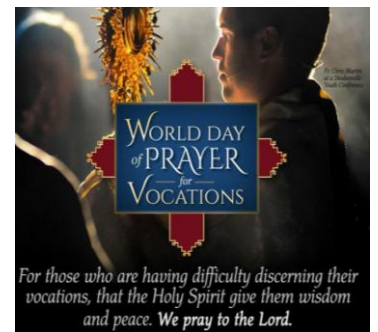
ABOUT THIS SUNDAY



The 4th Sunday of Easter is traditionally known as **Good Shepherd Sunday**. Hearing the Shepherd's voice, his followers recognize and know it is their God. Safe in the knowledge that they cannot be taken from the hand of the Shepherd, those who hear his voice follow as faithful believers willing to go where God calls and sends them. When all the clamor of false voices and seductive distractions threaten to overwhelm us, we have only to listen carefully to be led to do the work of the Father.

Today is also World Day of Prayer for Vocations.

The purpose of this day is to publically fulfill the Lord's instruction to, "Pray the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into his harvest" (Mt 9:38; Lk 10:2). Please pray that



young men and women hear and respond generously to the Lord's call to the priesthood, diaconate, religious life, societies of apostolic life, or secular institutes.

Parish News and Activities

SOCIAL CONCERNS

The Social Concerns Committee thanks everyone who generously contributed items for our Mother's Day Layette project. Many new mothers in need will benefit from our contributions, through Soldiers and Sailors hospital or Seeds of Hope.

The committee will also be sponsoring a second collection on May 25th and 26th, to benefit the Endless Mountains Pregnancy Center. Thank you for your donations to that cause, as well.

ITALIAN DINNER

Thank you to everyone who helped in any way, from donations to volunteering to attending, to make the Italian dinner a great success! Special thanks to Paul Urner for chairing the event. A financial report will be included in next weekend's bulletin.

thank
YOU

NEW ITEMS

New items can be found in the kiosk on the side of the church for both adults and children. Take what you want for a donation.

Priests for Life

Reflection on Today's Readings- The first and second readings today illumine the meaning of Jesus' title "Good Shepherd," and the meaning of his assertion in the Gospel that he knows his sheep and they follow him. This does not simply refer to following his teachings in this life. The Good Shepherd, who died for the sheep, shepherds them through death and beyond its grasp to the life that conquers all death. "I know them," he says. He knows our life and the pain of our death. "They follow me," he says. We follow him to the exalted glory of a life, in our human body and soul that will be freed from the corruption of sin and death, and will include our own resurrection from the dead.

The first reading speaks about the proclamation of this gift, and the way in which people both accept and reject it. The second reading shows the end result of this gift – a multitude from every nation, risen from the dead, gathered around the throne and the Lamb, sharing his life forever.

God is not indifferent to the power of death over his people. "No one can take them out of my hand." He vigorously defends us against the power of death. As the people who have accepted his life and who follow him, we too defend our brothers and sisters from the grip of death. The proclamation in today's readings is the very foundation of the culture of life and the pro-life movement.

"Pound the Ground for Ultrasound"



**First Look Pregnancy Center
6th Annual Race**

Saturday, May 25, 2019

**Riverfront Park
Sayre, PA**

ONLINE REGISTRATION AT: www.runsignup.com

EVENT FEES

\$25: 10K Trail Run
\$25: 5K Trail Run
\$40: Both Events
\$60: Family of 4 for the 5K/10K
(same household)

All Individual Registrations (except Kiddie Fun Run)

EARLY PACKET PICK-UP

Friday, May 24, 2019
6—8 pm at Athens Wesleyan
or Day of Event from 7 to 8 am

POST RACE BREAKFAST FOR ALL RUNNERS

NEW THIS YEAR—CHURCH TEAM CHALLENGE
with an engraved plaque

First 100 registrations receive a free T-shirt
T-shirts sold for \$10 while supply lasts

SCHEDULE

8:00 a.m.— 10K Trail Run
9:30 a.m.— 5 K Trail Run
10:15 a.m.— Kiddie Fun Run

Religious Education News

BISHOP'S YOUTH AWARD RECIPIENT



Congratulations to 8th grader, **Isabella Hazelton**, a 2019 recipient of the Bishop's Youth Award. The Bishop's Youth Award is presented to students

in 8th & 12th grade who meet the following criteria: must be involved within their parish community, must be an outstanding public example of a young Catholic who reflects and lives the Gospel of Jesus Christ and the teachings of the Church, attends Sunday Mass and receives the sacraments, must be endorsed by the Parish Youth Coordinator and Pastor, and must be involved in multiple volunteer service apostolates as defined by the Bishop. Congratulations to our worthy recipient, Isabella!

Diocese of Scranton News

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE



TERESA TOMEO
Keynote Speaker



JILL METZ
Featured Speaker



SR. MERCY MARIE, SV
Featured Speaker



HIS OWN
Musicians



MEGAN MURPHY
Keynote Speaker

Saturday, June 22, 2019

BYRON CENTER, UNIVERSITY OF SCRANTON

\$40 ADMISSION (EARLY BIRD PRICING UNTIL 6/9/19)

\$20 STUDENT ADMISSION

FREE RELIGIOUS

Register at
CWCNEPA.COM



St. Peter's will provide transportation for any women who want to attend this conference.
Please let the Rectory know if you are planning attending the conference.



Family



HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY TO ALL MOTHERS!

United Christian Ministries is having the Monthly Outreach on

Saturday, May the 18th from 9:00am to 4:00pm at

Sister Jenny's Outreach Center

14 Plaza Lane

Middlebury Center, Pa 16935



We have clothes for everyone, shoes, lots of household items!

Everything is free!!

Please stop in and share in the Love and Blessings we are passing on.

That's The Way It Is



This Sunday is a special day because it is Mother's Day. Mother's Day in general honors the family with a particular emphasis on the maternal bond, and the influence of motherhood on society. Mother's Day as a national holiday exists

thanks to the efforts of Anna Jarvis. Anna's mother, Ann Reeves Jarvis died in 1905. During the Civil War, Ann Reeves Jarvis was a peace activist and cared for injured soldiers on both sides of the war. When Ann Reeves Jarvis died, Anna Jarvis campaigned to have Mother's Day recognized as a national holiday in honor of her mother and her work.

In 1914, President Woodrow Wilson signed a proclamation making the second Sunday in May a national holiday in honor of mothers. As you might expect, corporations took advantage of the profit potential and began to commercialize the holiday. This angered Jarvis and she organized protests against the commercialization of the holiday. The day, argued Jarvis, is about sentiment, not profit. So outraged was Jarvis at what the corporations had made of the holiday that in 1923, at a candy makers convention in Philadelphia she was arrested for disturbing the peace! In a very brief time, Mother's Day morphed into something Jarvis had never intended.

In a capitalist society, corporations will always take advantage of anything they can if they think it will increase their bottom lines. That is, to coin a phrase, the way it is. This does not mean that Mother's Day is any less a day to honor mothers and motherhood. Jarvis said that a mother "is the person who has done more for you than anyone in the world." Indeed! I echo this sentiment! I

have always believed that the bond between a mother and her child is the strongest of bonds.

The bond of motherhood (and fatherhood) can be either biological or covenantal. Motherhood by covenant applies when a child or children are adopted. When a woman becomes a mother through adoption she enters into a covenant of love with the child or children she is adopting. It is through this covenant of love that she and her child or children are bound. This covenant, once made, cannot be broken. Once a woman becomes a mother, whether biological or covenantal, she will always be a mother. Motherhood through biology or motherhood through covenant both beautifully express what it means to be a mother. No matter how a woman becomes a mother, the bonds of love that unite a mother with her child or children are equally strong.

I recognize that not all people have had good relationships with their mothers. We live in a less than ideal world. The best thing I can say to those who are harboring hurt or wounds from their relationship with their mother, the best thing you can do is to pray for your mother. This applies even if your mother has passed on from this life. By praying for your mother you allow God into the hurt and wounds you may have. God can begin to heal those wounds through prayer for your mother. Hurt can be overcome through love.

On this day where we reflect on the gift of motherhood and honor mothers, we pray in a special way for single mothers. Single mothers are the unsung heroes of our time. They have chosen life and love despite the odds. May God bless all single mothers in a special way and continue to give them the graces they need to care for their children. May they be celebrated for choosing life and love. Single mothers deserve our respect and admiration. They deserve our support and prayers.

That's the way it is!

The Reverend David W. Bechtel, Pastor

Stewardship

Sunday Collection May 5, 2019: \$ 5,646.00

Weekly Goal to Meet Projected Expenses: \$ 5,800.00

Difference: (\$ 154.00)

Year-to-Date Budget Variance: (\$16,427.24)

Diocesan Care & Education of Priests: \$545.00

The Finance Council met this week and has concerns about the negative Year-to-Date Budget Variance listed above. Our weekly donations are not reaching the amount needed to meet expenses, and with only 2 months remaining in our fiscal year, we are projected to end the year with a loss. Please be as generous as you are able, to help us remediate some of this loss over the next two months.

We are grateful to all those who financially sacrifice every week to support our parish and its ministries.

News from the Vatican

NEW NORMS FOR THE WHOLE CHURCH AGAINST THOSE WHO ABUSE OR COVER UP



Pope Francis' "*Vos estis lux mundi*" (You are the Light of the World), establishes new procedures for reporting abuse and violence, and ensures that Bishops and Religious Superiors are held accountable for their actions. It includes the obligation for clerics and religious to report abuse. Every Diocese must have a system that allows the public to submit reports easily.

"You are the light of the world... Our Lord Jesus Christ calls every believer to be a shining example of virtue, integrity and holiness". The Gospel of Matthew provides the title and first words of Pope Francis' new Motu proprio dedicated to the fight against sexual abuse committed by clerics and religious, as well as the actions or omissions of Bishops and Religious Superiors that in any way interfere with or fail to investigate abuse. The Pope recalls that "the crimes of sexual abuse offend Our Lord, cause physical, psychological and spiritual damage to the victims and harm the community of the faithful", and mentions the special responsibility of the Successors of the Apostles to prevent these crimes. The document represents another result of the Meeting on the Protection of Minors held in the Vatican in February 2019. It establishes new procedural rules to combat sexual abuse and to ensure that Bishops and Religious Superiors are held accountable for their actions. It establishes universal norms, which apply to the whole Catholic Church.

An "office" for reporting in every diocese

Among the new indications given is the obligation for every Diocese in the world to set up, by June 2020, "one or more public, stable and easily accessible systems for submission of reports" concerning sexual abuse committed by clerics and religious, the use of child pornography, and cover-ups of the same abuse. The legislation does not specify what these "systems" consist of, because it leaves operational choices to the Diocese; and these may differ according to various cultures and local conditions. The idea is that anyone who has suffered abuse can have recourse to the local Church, while being assured they will be well received, protected from retaliation, and that their reports will be treated with the utmost seriousness.

The obligation to report

Another new indication concerns the obligation for all clerics, and all men and women religious, to "report promptly" all accusations of abuse of which they become aware, as well as any omissions and cover-ups in the management of cases of abuse, to ecclesiastical authorities. Though this obligation was formerly left up to individual consciences, it now becomes a universally established legal precept. The obligation as such is sanctioned for clerics and religious, but any layperson can, and is encouraged to, use the system to report violence and abuse to the competent ecclesiastical authority.

Not only child abuse

The document covers not only violence and abuse against children and vulnerable adults, but also sexual abuse and violence resulting from an abuse of authority as well. This includes cases of violence against religious by clerics, as well as abuse committed against adult seminarians or novices.

Dealing with cover-ups

One of the most important elements is the identification, as a specific category, of so-called cover-ups, defined as "actions or omissions intended to interfere with or avoid civil investigations or canonical investigations, whether administrative or penal, against a cleric or a religious regarding the delicts" of sexual abuse. This section refers to those who hold positions of particular responsibility in the Church, and who, instead of pursuing abuses committed by others, have hidden them, and have protected alleged offenders instead of protecting the victims.

The protection of vulnerable people

Vos estis lux mundi stresses the importance of protecting minors (anyone under 18) and vulnerable people. The definition of a "vulnerable person" is broadened to include "any person in a state of infirmity, physical or mental deficiency, or deprivation of personal liberty which, in fact, even occasionally, limits their ability to understand or to want to otherwise resist the offense". In this respect, the new Motu proprio echoes recent Vatican legislation (CCXCVII of 26 March 2019).

Respecting the laws of states

The obligation to report to the local Ordinary or Religious Superior does not interfere with, or change, any other reporting obligation that may exist in respective countries' legislation. In fact, the norms "apply without prejudice to the rights and obligations established in each place by state laws, particularly those concerning any reporting obligations to the competent civil authorities".

The protection of victims and those reporting abuse

The sections dedicated to protecting those who come forward to report abuse are also significant. According to the provisions of the *Motu proprio*, someone reporting abuse cannot be subjected to "prejudice, retaliation or discrimination" because of what they report. The problem of victims who in the past have been told to keep silent is also addressed: these universal norms provide that "an obligation to keep silent may not be imposed on any person with regard to the contents of his or her report". Obviously, the seal of confession remains absolute and inviolable and is in no way affected by this legislation. *Vos estis lux mundi* also states that victims and their families must be treated with dignity and respect and must receive appropriate spiritual, medical and psychological assistance.

The investigation of bishops

The *Motu proprio* regulates the investigation of Bishops, Cardinals, Religious Superiors and all those who lead a Diocese, or another particular Church, in various capacities and even temporarily. The rules apply not only in the case of these persons being investigated for having committed sexual abuse themselves, but also if they are accused of having "covered up", or of failing to pursue abuses of which they were aware, and which it was their duty to address.

The role of the Metropolitan

There are new indications regarding the role of the Metropolitan Archbishop in preliminary investigations: if the accused individual is a Bishop, the Metropolitan receives a mandate from the Holy See to investigate. This strengthens his traditional role in the Church and indicates a desire to make the most of local resources with regard to investigations into Bishops. Every thirty days, the person in charge of the investigation sends the Holy See "a status report on the state of the investigation", which "is to be completed within the term of ninety days" (extensions for "just reasons" are possible). This establishes specific timeframes and requires the Vatican Dicasteries concerned to act promptly.

Involvement of the laity

Citing the Canon Law article that stresses the important contribution of the laity, the norms of the *Motu proprio* provide that the Metropolitan, in conducting the investigations, can avail himself of the help of "qualified persons", according to "the needs of the individual case and, in particular, taking into account the cooperation that can be offered by the lay faithful". The Pope has repeatedly stated that the specializations and professional skills of the laity represent an important resource for the Church. The norms now provide that Episcopal Conferences and Dioceses may prepare lists of qualified persons willing to collaborate, but the ultimate responsibility for investigations remains with the Metropolitan.

Presumption of innocence

The principle of presumption of innocence of the person under investigation is reaffirmed. The accused will be informed of the investigation when requested to do so by the competent Dicastery. The accusation must be notified only if formal proceedings are opened. If deemed appropriate, in order to ensure the integrity of the investigation or of the evidence, this notification may be omitted during the preliminary stage.








Conclusion of the investigation

The *Motu proprio* does not modify the penalties for crimes committed, but it does establish the procedures for reporting and carrying out the preliminary investigation. At the conclusion of the investigation, the Metropolitan (or, in certain cases, the Bishop of the suffragan Diocese with the greatest seniority of appointment) forwards the results to the competent Vatican Dicastery. This completes his contribution. The competent Dicastery then proceeds "in accordance with the law provided for the specific case", acting on the basis of already existing canonical norms. Based on the results of the preliminary investigation, the Holy See can immediately impose preventive and restrictive measures on the person under investigation.

Concrete commitment

With this new juridical instrument, called for by Pope Francis, the Catholic Church takes a further and incisive step in the prevention and fight against abuse, putting the emphasis on concrete actions. As the Pope writes at the beginning of the document: "In order that these phenomena, in all their forms, never happen again, a continuous and profound conversion of hearts is needed, attested by concrete and effective actions that involve everyone in the Church".

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Eternal Rest Grant Unto Them, O Lord and
Let the Perpetual Light Shine Upon Them.

Lord, this we know, no matter how difficult life may be at this time, we know you will not stop loving us and will always hold us in the palm of your hand. We are reaching to you, Lord, to hold us, comfort us, and heal us. Lord, this we know, you are faithful in your love for us today and forever. You are with us, and we are with you. Amen.