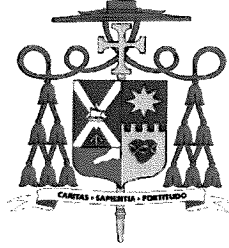


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By the Grace of God and the Authority of the Apostolic See
Bishop of Green Bay

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Dispensation from the obligation to attend Holy Day Masses of Immaculate Conception, December 8, 2020, Christmas, December 25, 2020, Mary, Mother of God, January 1, 2021
Granted to the People of the Catholic Diocese of Green Bay

Whereas the worldwide spread of the Covid -19 has greatly impacted the United States of America,

Whereas the State of Wisconsin has now declared the spread of the illness to be a public health crisis,

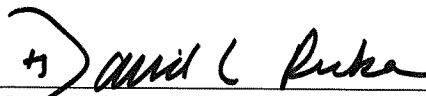
Whereas the Catholic Diocese of Green Bay is made up of almost 300,000 Catholics in Northeast Wisconsin, and

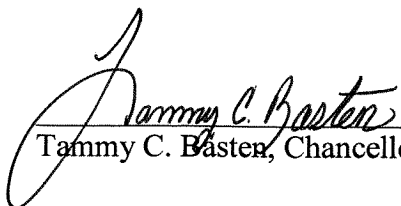
Since over the past nine months we have measured and monitored the spread of the virus and applied a proper pastoral and canonical response, and

Since we are currently experiencing a dramatic and dangerous increase of the Covid-19 virus within the sixteen diocesan counties,

Therefore, in order to help prevent the spread of disease, to allay fear, and to assure the consciences of the Faithful, I hereby grant a dispensation from the obligation to attend the Holy Day Masses of Immaculate Conception, December 8, 2020, Christmas, December 25, 2020, and Mary, Mother of God, January 1, 2021. The Dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass remains in force until further notice.

Given at the Chancery on November 19, 2020


Most Reverend David L. Ricken, DD, JCL
Bishop of Green Bay


Tammy C. Baster, Chancellor