DECREE

In nomine Domini. Amen.

PROMULGATION OF THE POLICY COMPRENDIUM FOR THE ARCHDIOCESE OF SAINT PAUL AND MINNEAPOLIS

I, the undersigned Most Reverend Bernard A. Hebd, Archbishop of Saint Paul and Minneapolis, hereby promulgate the online compilation of current policies and particular law ("Policy Compendium") of the Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis ("Archdiocese"). The policies and procedures contained in the Policy Compendium, and any subsequent additions to it authorized by the Archbishop of Saint Paul and Minneapolis, are considered particular law for the Archdiocese.

The contents of the Policy Compendium are binding, according to their subject matter and as applicable, on the following: clergy, members of institutes of consecrated life and societies of apostolic life, and laity, as well as all parishes, Catholic schools, and institutions identified as Catholic by the Archdiocese.

The Policy Compendium is to be published on the official website of the Archdiocese and notification of its publication provided to all clergy, parishes, schools, religious institutes and houses, and Catholic institutions located within the Archdiocese. Clergy and administrators of these institutions are to review carefully the contents of the Policy Compendium, ensure compliance with the policies in their roles, and instruct the laity as to the policies and norms that pertain to them.

The Policy Compendium takes legislative force effective December 20, 2016. As of that date, all prior Archdiocesan laws ("Clergy Bulletins"), policies, and procedures that conflict with the contents of the Policy Compendium are abrogated. Additional policies added to the Policy Compendium will take effect on the date indicated on said policy. Customs that conflict with the Policy Compendium are suppressed. All universal law of the Church, particular law issued by the United States Episcopal Conference, and local policies or procedures retain force unless legitimately superseded by Archdiocesan law.

The Archbishop is the authentic interpreter of Archdiocesan law. Dispensation from Archdiocesan laws and policies and all permissions required by them must be requested from the Archbishop or from those who have the power to dispense from Archdiocesan law or others delegated by the Archbishop.

Given at Saint Paul, Minnesota, on this 20th day of December, in the year of Our Lord 2016.

Signed

Susan Mulheron
Chancellor for Canonical Affairs

Most Reverend Bernard A. Hebd
Archbishop of Saint Paul and Minneapolis

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