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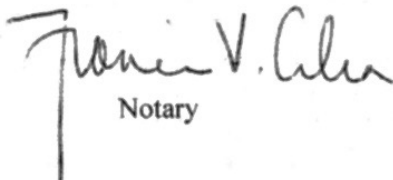
1. According to the norms of canons 1223 and 1224, effective on December 9, 2013, I hereby establish in the Diocese of San Jose the Oratory of the Immaculate Heart of Mary for the celebration of the Roman Rite according to the *motu proprio*, *Ecclesia Dei*, promulgated by the late Pope John Paul II.
2. The Oratory of the Immaculate Heart of Mary is established for the faithful who desire the celebration of the liturgical rites according to the liturgical books promulgated by Blessed Pope John XXIII, in 1962. Its establishment is to facilitate ecclesial communion for "those Catholic faithful who feel attached to some previous liturgical and disciplinary forms of the Latin tradition." (*Ecclesia Dei*, no. 5)
3. The pastoral care of the Christian Faithful of the Oratory of the Immaculate Heart of Mary is entrusted to the Institute of Christ the King Sovereign Priest. The Oratory of the Immaculate Heart of Mary is thus the Oratory of the Institute of Christ the King Sovereign Priest according to canons 611, §3, and 1215, §3. At this time, the Oratory will use the facilities of Five Wounds Portuguese National Parish Church, until the Institute of Christ the King Sovereign Priest might be offered an adequate building for a house of the Institute in the Diocese of San Jose, at which time the process would follow what is set forth in canons 609, §1, and 1215, §3.
4. In accord with canon 682, the Rector of the Oratory of the Immaculate Heart of Mary and all other clerics serving in the Oratory are nominated by the Prior General of the Institute of Christ the King Sovereign Priest for appointment by the Bishop of San Jose, under whose authority they serve, according to canons 678 and 681. The members of the Institute of Christ the King Sovereign Priest foster the ecclesial communion sought by His Holiness, Pope John Paul II, in the promulgation of his *motu proprio*, *Ecclesia Dei*, and in conformity with the *Motu Proprio* of His Holiness, Pope Benedict XVI, *Summorum Pontificum*.
5. In accord with canon 1225, the Oratory of the Immaculate Heart of Mary is granted the privilege of the use of all the liturgical books promulgated or in use in 1962, according to the customs of the Institute of Christ the King Sovereign Priest. This privilege pertains not only to the members of the Institute of Christ the King, but also to other priests nominated by the rector for regular celebrations in the Oratory or to priests visiting, both for Masses celebrated *sine populo*, and, in cases of necessity according to the judgment of the Rector, for Masses and other sacraments celebrated *cum populo*. The rector will see to it that the priests whom he nominates comply with requirements of the Office of the Vicar for Clergy as pertains to suitability for ministry and the granting of priestly faculties for ministry in the Diocese of San Jose.

6. In accord with canons 1225 and 516, §2, the Oratory of the Immaculate Heart of Mary is granted the privilege of keeping the registers of baptisms, marriages, and Christian burials, and the other registers as noted in canon 535, §1. These registers are for those faithful who desire the celebration of the sacraments or funeral rites according to the liturgical books of 1962.
7. In accord with canon 1355, §2, to the confessors of the Oratory of the Immaculate Heart of Mary is granted the faculty to absolve in the internal sacramental forum a *latae sententiae* excommunication incurred for procuring an abortion (canon 1398), provided that the excommunication has not been declared. Furthermore, to the priests, who are appointed to the Oratory of the Immaculate Heart of Mary by the Diocesan Bishop, is granted the faculty to assist at marriages at the Oratory of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, in accord with canon 1108.
8. All the indulgences, partial or plenary, which have been granted to the houses of the Institute of Christ the King Sovereign Priest, are extended, insofar as it is possible and under the habitual conditions of the Church, to all the faithful who visit the Oratory on these days with pious intention. The priests of the Oratory of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, under the prudent direction of the Rector, are able to cultivate the liturgical life, above all through the celebration of the Holy Eucharist and the sacrament of penance, by fostering proven forms of popular piety.
9. If the Oratory of the Immaculate Heart of Mary or a future priory should be transferred to another place with the permission of the Diocesan Bishop, the provisions of this decree will apply to the Oratory and the priory in their new location.

Given at the Chancery of the Diocese of San Jose, this ninth day of the month of December, in the year 2013.



Patrick J. McGrath
Bishop of San Jose



Notary

