March 13, 2014

Office of the Bishop

**Subject: Petition for Inclusion of Traditional Latin Mass**

Your Excellency, Bishop ,

Since the Holy Father’s motu proprio *Summorum Pontificum,* one reads and hears of more and more traditional Latin Masses being offered in most every diocese in the nation. This is indeed a happy time for the Church as it marks the discovery for many of the rich treasure of the ancient liturgy and, with it, of a deeper dimension of Catholic spirituality. Most encouraging has been the response of the young, with whom the “Tridentine” rite resonates in a way that some find surprising.

Enclosed please find a list of names, as well as comments, of your diocesan faithful, who earnestly entreat you to act in accord with the Holy Father’s wishes and provide the extraordinary rite at . This list of names was gathered from to the present.

We realize, of course, that implementation of the *Motu Proprio* cannot be accomplished overnight, but I know of a priest, Fr. , who has said that he is willing and able to offer this form of the Mass (or, if you don't know one, try “there are surely priests from traditional orders, such as the Fraternity of St. Peter and the Institute of Christ the King who would be willing to help”).

We thank you for your kind attention to our request and hope that soon the joyful words, “*Introibo ad altare Dei*, will be heard in .

Asking Your Excellency's blessing, I am,

Yours in Christ,