



REVEREND DANIEL B. CARSON

VICAR GENERAL AND MODERATOR OF THE CURIA

Dear Brother Priest,

I write today to provide you updates. I will continue to keep you informed as we navigate this challenging time.

Social Media Policies

Recently, Paula Gwynn Grant, Secretary of Communications, presented to Priest Council, the new *Policies for the Pastoral Use of Social Media and Electronic Communications*, which are linked **here** for printing on back to back pages and linked **here** for printing on one sided pages.

As seen in the document, Archbishop Gregory has approved and promulgated these new policies and they are effective immediately. These updated Social Media Policies are for all of our priests, deacons, employees, and volunteers who use personal social media or who work with parish/ministry/school social media. The Policies include best practices and guidance for your personal and parish/ministry/school social media content, specific requirements, and information to securely and effectively manage your social media accounts.

Please distribute these updated policies to your appropriate staff and volunteers and have them sign the included acknowledgment forms. Please keep a log when you collect the signed forms. All employee signed forms should be kept in the employee personnel file.

If you have any questions or concerns about the new *Policies for the Pastoral Use of Social Media and Electronic Communications*, please email Communications@adw.org.

Remind the Faithful of Information on the Website

The archdiocesan website in response to the coronavirus is updated regularly with information, in English and Spanish, for you and the Faithful available at adw.org/coronavirus, which includes a link to find a listing of live stream Masses and prayers available at adw.org/live-streamed-masses-and-prayers/. The *Catholic Standard* and the Spanish-language *El Pregonero* newspapers are currently available on-line at cathstan.org and elpreg.org.

As always, should you have questions or need assistance from my office and the Pastoral Center, please let us know. Please be assured of my prayers for you.

With gratitude for your priestly ministry, I am
Sincerely in Christ,
Reverend Daniel B. Carson
Vicar General and Moderator of the Curia