Parish Preservation Alliance

## MANDATE INSTRUCTIONS

The Diocesan Procurator Mandate will be used for diocesan-wide petitions and other efforts addressing restructuring and issues that affect parishes throughout the Archdiocese, such as the movement or reassignment of priests.

Requirements:

- You must be 14 years of age or older and reside within the Archdiocese of Detroit.
- Include full address
- The mandate requires two witness signatures with addresses. Witnesses may be members of your household.
- Parish Preservation Alliance must receive the **original signed** mandate.

Please mail your completed original mandate to:

**Parish Preservation Alliance**
**PO Box 192**
**Washington, MI 48094-0192**

*For transparency, all petitions filed on behalf of the group will be made available for review.*

# PROCURATOR MANDATE

Being of canonical age (14 years; cf. Canon 1478 §3) and having interest in this matter as a baptized Catholic or married to a Catholic, with domicile or quasi-domicile in the Archdiocese of Detroit, I oppose any intention or act by ecclesiastical authority that would result in the notable alteration of the Archdiocese of Detroit by way of large-scale parish mergers or any other notable alteration at this time and under the present circumstances. I oppose the use of an outside consultation firm, particularly one that has introduced or may have introduced predetermined proposals and thereby excludes the possibility of lawful and genuine collaboration with the Faithful who would be most affected by such alterations within the Archdiocese of Detroit. That my intentions and opposition to such acts will be properly communicated within the appropriate ecclesiastical processes, I hereby appoint **Kevin Kijewski, 950 East Maple Road, Suite 204, Birmingham, MI 48009,** as my Procurator in accord with the norms of Canon Law. By this mandate, I allow my Procurator to act in my name as the law allows to advance my interests identified above, and to represent these interests in legitimate processes of the Catholic Church related to this issue. For purposes of any proceedings, my Procurator's address as noted above is my official address for notifications and communications. *I expressly direct my Procurator to initiate petitions for the cessation of the restructuring initiative within the Archdiocese of Detroit or its modification such that the rights of parishes and parishioners are better protected,* make appeals, and take necessary actions, even ancillary or related actions, whether at the diocesan or supradiocesan levels, to pursue my intentions noted above. In addition to the usual powers granted a Procurator in Canon Law, this mandate grants my Procurator the following powers:

1. The power to appoint an Advocate in Canon Law who will guard my interests in accord with the norms of law. I expect the appointment of this Advocate will grant the Advocate the power to make petitions or appeals without prior consultation of my Procurator or me, if such acts are consistent with my intentions noted above and my Procurator is impeded, refuses to act to protect my interests, or cannot be reached in sufficient time.
2. The power to appoint a Procurator/Advocate in Rome if it becomes advantageous to do so.
3. The power to appoint an Alternate Procurator to serve if my Procurator is impeded from acting and action is necessary to protect a right or advance my interests. In order that prevention is operative, if an Advocate is appointed as well as an Alternate Procurator, the Alternate Procurator must be impeded, refuse to act, or cannot be reached in sufficient time before the Advocate may exercise procuratorial powers.
4. The power to renounce action or strike a bargain if I have been given a reasonable opportunity to be heard and take personal action.

I retain my right to receive copies of all notifications and communications sent to my Procurator on this matter, and I retain my right to reply personally.

By this mandate, I firmly establish my intention to protect my interests in this matter by pursuing petitions and lawful appeals in accord with Canon Law, even appeals to the Supreme Tribunal of the Apostolic Signatura or Petitions to the Holy Father. Only an authenticated communication received by my Procurator changes my intentions expressed herein.

_____ _____

Signature above Date

Printed Name _____

Street Address _____

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City, State Zip _____

**AUTHENTICATION:** On _____, the person above appeared to us. He/She is either personally known to us or demonstrated identification to be the individual whose name is subscribed within this instrument and acknowledged to us that he/she executed the same in his/her capacity, and that by his/her signature on the instrument, executed the instrument.

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(Witness Signature) (Witness Signature)

Printed Name:_____ _____

Address: _____ _____

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