



OFFICE OF THE BISHOP
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Mr. Christopher Lauer

Mr. Michael FitzGerald

Dear Mr. Lauer and Mr. FitzGerald,

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Your letter, dated August 22, 2022, has been received. Your letter requested the establishment in the Diocese of Charlotte of a “dedicated Latin Mass Chapel staffed by the FSSP.”

We have followed in our diocese the provision of Article 5, §1 of the Apostolic Letter *Summorum Pontificum* of Pope Benedict XVI since its promulgation in 2007. From the beginning, this arrangement has proved to work very well for us in the Diocese of Charlotte. This arrangement continues to work very well to this day, thus precluding the need for a dedicated personal parish, mission, chapel, or chaplaincy. We continue to implement the new course charted for the Church by Pope Francis in his Apostolic Letter *Traditionis Custodes*.

The Holy Father, in his letter dated July 16, 2021 to the bishops of the whole world, which accompanied the Apostolic Letter *Traditionis Custodes*, requested that in the implementation of the *Motu Proprio*, bishops “proceed in such a way as to return to a unitary form of celebration,” guided by the principle of the “need to return in due time to the Roman Rite promulgated by Saints Paul VI and John Paul II.”

I am very grateful for your prayers. Please be assured of my prayers. May Almighty God bestow on you his abundant blessings.

Sincerely yours in Christ Jesus,

+ *Peter J. Jugis*

Most Reverend Peter J. Jugis
Bishop of Charlotte

