

DIOCESE OF RALEIGH OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

DECREE OF ERECTION

Establishment of the Territorial Parish Saint Teresa of Calcutta

Whereas the church has been divinely sent to the nations of the world to be for them "a universal sacrament of salvation" (LG, 18), and, driven by the inner necessity of her own catholicity and obeying the mandate of her Founder (cf. Mark 16:16) strives ever to proclaim the Gospel to all people and,

Whereas the apostles themselves, on whom the church was founded, following in the footsteps of Christ, "preached the word of truth and begot churches" (LG, 23); it is the duty of their successors to make this task endure "so that the word of God may run and be glorified (2 Thes. 3:1) and the kingdom of God be proclaimed and established throughout the world,

Whereas the Mission of Mother Teresa since its foundation has been serving the spiritual needs of its members and all those who visit it regularly,

Whereas it is the right of the Diocesan Bishop to erect parishes after consulting the Council of Priests, (cf. canon 515) and said consultation was carried out on December 7, 2022. A motion was

made to recommend to the bishop the formal establishment of Mother Teresa as a Parish. Motion was seconded. Motion carried, as stated in the minutes of the Meeting,

Now therefore, having fulfilled all civil and canonical requirements set forth and in accord with the authority entrusted to my office in can. 515, §2;

I, the Most Rev. Luis Rafael Zarama, Bishop of Raleigh, having consulted the Council of Priests of this Diocese, in accordance with the provisions of Canons 515 §§ 1-3 and 518, and by the testimony of this document, do hereby erect Saint Teresa of Calcutta, as a territorial Parish in the Diocese of Raleigh. The new parish will be part of the Deanery of Raleigh. Thus, henceforth it shall be called Saint Teresa of Calcutta. The new territorial parish shall have the following territorial boundaries:

North: Starting at Jordan Lake, follow the Durham County/Chatham County border eastward to the Wake County border. Continue along the Durham County/Wake County border eastward to Highway 55

East: Starting at the Durham County/Wake County border, follow Highway 55 southward to Highway 64

South: Starting at Highway 55, follow Highway 64 westward to Jordan Lake

West: Jordan Lake between Highway 64 and the Durham County/Chatham County border.

I direct that this decree be published on the website of the Diocese of Raleigh which will be presumed to be the official notification of this action. And that it be posted somewhere visible for the knowledge of the entire parish community.

May the Gospel be made known to the faithful through this new juridic person and the resources provided to it. May all who gather within this new parish be sanctified through the regular reception of the Sacraments which Jesus instituted and grow deeper in their knowledge of and personal relationship with Jesus Christ, crucified and risen.

Finally, I hereby decree that Reverend Fr. Daniel Oschwald is appointed as the inaugural pastor of Saint Teresa of Calcutta, who enjoys those faculties provided in Canon Law.

The erection of Saint Teresa in Cary is to become effective on the 1st day of January 2023, the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God, in the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand and Twenty-Three.

Given on the 13th day of December, in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Two, the Memorial of Saint Lucy.

Most Reverend Luis Rafael Zarama

Bishop of Raleigh

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