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*January 7, 2020
Memorial of Saint Raymond of Peñafort*

Very Reverend and dear Father Connor and The Planning Committee of Saints Isidore and Maria Torribia Parish:

Following upon my letter of October 29, 2019, in response to your letter of October 25, 2019, in which you offered recommendations for the future of Saints Isidore and Maria Torribia Parish, I was pleased to welcome you and the members of The Planning Committee of Saints Isidore and Maria Torribia Parish to our Diocesan Presbyteral Council Meeting today, January 7, 2020, to review the Report you had submitted on October 25, 2019, as referenced above. The members of the Presbyteral Council, as well as the Deans also in attendance, had received in advance a copy of the Report prior to our meeting in order to facilitate discussion.

All present were most impressed by the dedication of the Planning Committee and the efforts of the parishioners to address realistically the financial stability of the Parish and to present a feasible plan for going forward. After significant discussion and an appreciation for the rural communities at Saint Catherine, Saint Joseph and Saint Stanislaus, which comprise Saints Isidore and Maria Torribia Parish, the unanimous recommendation of the Diocesan Presbyteral Council, which I accept and approve, is to grant your request to allow more time for the changes indicated in the Report submitted to come to fruition and to have the opportunity to implement the additional goals identified by the committee by **October 2020**. At that time, Father Connor, you and The Planning Committee of Saints Isidore and Maria Torribia Parish would reevaluate the progress made and make a further determination of the Parish's "stabilization and sustainability." In the interim, I ask that you continue to work with Ms. Karen Rinefierd, Planning Consultant for the Diocese.

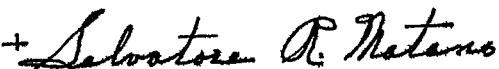
In closing, I renew my gratitude for your cooperation and dedication. Please be assured of my prayers, asking the Holy Spirit to guide our deliberations so that they will unite us in faith and bind us to the Eucharistic Christ.

**The Very Reverend Patrick L. Connor, Pastor
Members of the Planning Committee
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Invoking the intercession of Our Mother Mary and Saint John Fisher, Patron of our Diocese, and your Parish Patrons, Saints Isidore and Maria Torribia, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,

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The Most Reverend Salvatore R. Matano
Bishop of Rochester

cc: The Very Reverend Father Paul J. Tomasso, Vicar General
The Reverend Father Daniel J. Condon, Chancellor
Ms. Karen Rinefierd, Planning Consultant for the Diocese
Ms. Lisa M. Passero, Chief Financial Officer for the Diocese