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MEMORANDUM

To: All Clergy
All Parishes
All Institutes of Consecrated Life

From: Archbishop Richard Gagnon

Date: May 6, 2020

Re.: Continual Suspension of Public Masses

In an announcement made last week the Government of Manitoba extended the current protocols with regard to public gatherings until June 1, 2020. In keeping with this announcement, and in consultation with the Bishops of Manitoba, we have determined that the public celebration of Mass will continue to be suspended until May 31, 2020. (Obviously if there are any changes to the protocols, a further notification will be made).

Because of this suspension of public liturgies, the celebration of Confirmation in our parishes, and the faculty granted to pastors and administrators to preside on May 30-31 is now postponed. We will need to discuss further and, when parish communities are able to gather, determine another date for the celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation throughout the Archdiocese. At that time, I will also grant the faculty to pastors and administrators to preside.

Let us continue to keep one another in prayer.