

## The Byzantine Catholic **EPARCHY OF PARMA**

OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

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## DECREE

Deconsecration and Relegation to Profane Use: Cathedral Church of Saint John the Baptist, Parma Ohio

Glory to Jesus Christ!

After prayerful consideration and after having consulted the Presbyteral Council of the Byzantine Catholic Eparchy of Parma (canon 873 §2 CCEO); and

Whereas the Parish of Saint John the Baptist has been suppressed by decree (26/2021L) and no recourse against said decree had been filed within the time limit set by law; and

Whereas the disposition of assets and liabilities have been determined (26/2021L), and those who may legitimately claim rights have been notified (26/2021L); and

Whereas the church building of Saint John the Baptist no longer serves as a place of divine worship; and

Whereas the good of souls is not impaired;

I hereby decree that the church building of the former parish of Saint John the Baptist Byzantine Catholic Parish, Parma, Ohio, be relegated to non-sacred but not sordid use (canon 873 §1 CCEO).

This decree is effective immediately. At the same time, I order this decree to be made public to all the faithful of the Byzantine Catholic Eparchy of Parma through its publication on the eparchial website and in the eparchial publication, *Horizons*. The publication of the decree on the eparchial website is the legitimate notification.

A petition for revocation or emendation of this decree is subject to the applicable canons (canons 996-1004, CCEO).

Given at the Chancery of the Byzantine Catholic Eparchy of Parma on this 7th day of October, 2024.

The Most Reverend Robert M. Pipta

Bishop of Parma

Vice-Chancello

Notary