

# **DIRECTIVE ON DIOCESAN POLICY ON COMMUNION FROM THE CUP AND CHILDREN**

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My Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ:

It is with pleasure that I forward to you the Prayer Texts for the Jubilee Mass I and II, requests for parishes= guidelines for extraordinary ministers of the Eucharist, and the pamphlet, *Communion from the Cup and Children*.\*

May I use this occasion to express my gratitude to Sister Loretta Manzara, C.S.J., the Director of our Liturgy Office, whose devotion to the Liturgy and devotion to our diocese have combined to provide us with a quality of leadership rarely available to any diocese. Her presence among us has been a true blessing and we wish her well as she completes her time with us and goes to a new responsibility on the General Council of her religious community.

The materials enclosed in this mailing are typical of the marvellous materials that Sister Loretta=s energy and expertise have made available to us over the years.

Of special note is the document related to *Communion from the Cup and Children*. Be assured that it contains a new diocesan policy which I thoroughly approve. Where it is implemented, it will require careful leadership and preparation on the part of priests, pastoral ministers, teachers, parents and children.

Sincerely and gratefully in Christ,

Most Rev. John Michael Sherlock  
Bishop of London

\* The referenced document is to be found on the following pages