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FROM ARCHBISHOP PAUL S. COAKLEY ON WINTER WEATHER AND WEEKEND MASSES

In view of the winter storm that has begun across much of Oklahoma some are asking if I have granted a dispensation from the obligation to attend Mass this Sunday in the Archdiocese of Oklahoma City. I want to remind our priests as well as the faithful that if it not possible to travel to attend Mass due to whatever circumstances then the obligation is automatically lifted. Severe weather, dangerous road conditions, illness or the need to care for dependents could make Mass this weekend unreasonable if not impossible. Please use caution and look out for one another, especially the vulnerable. Let us pray for one another.