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Introduction of 2025-2028 Pastoral Plan July 1, 2025

Dear friends in Christ,

Now that we have concluded the three-year period of the National Eucharistic Revival (2022-2025), we have created a new diocesan pastoral plan for the Diocese of San Angelo. This plan provides a vision and priorities for our ministries for the next three years, from the summer of 2025 through the summer of 2028.

The title of our 2025-2028 pastoral plan is "Called to Flourish: Growing into Our Full Potential." Over the past several months, we have consulted the members of our Catholic Church around the diocese to determine the needs and the hopes of the people of God in West Texas. We distributed surveys, held public listening sessions at different locations around the diocese, met with smaller focus groups, and held a diocesan leadership summit. The feedback we received was extremely helpful.

For the next three years, the four main pastoral priorities in our diocese will be the following:

- Faith Formation
- Spiritual Renewal
- Vocation Vision
- Effective Communication

There are, of course, many other areas in the ministry of the Church that are not specifically mentioned in this plan. This does not mean that those other areas are unimportant. The goals of this plan represent areas where we will intentionally focus particular energy for the next three years, seeking to grow into our full potential as a local Church.

I encourage all Catholics in the Diocese of San Angelo to read the entire eleven-page Pastoral Plan document, "Called to Flourish: Growing into Our Full Potential," on the diocesan website at www.sanangelodiocese.org. Over the next three years, our parishes and diocesan ministries will seek to carry out the initiatives for each year of this plan, to increase the effectiveness of our response to the mission of Christ for our Church.

"God Our Father, may everything we do begin with your inspiration and continue with your saving help. Let our work always find its origin in you and through you reach completion." (Liturgy of the Hours, Morning Prayer, Monday, Week I)

In the joy of Christ's service,

Most Rev. Michael J. Sis Bishop of San Angelo