

HIS EXCELLENCY
THE MOST REVEREND JOHN M. LEVOIR
By the Grace of God and the Authority of the Apostolic See
BISHOP OF NEW ULM

**DECREE MERGING THE PARISH OF THE SACRED HEART IN FRANKLIN INTO
THE CHURCH OF ST. CATHERINE, REDWOOD FALLS, MINNESOTA**

Prot. No. 2020/08

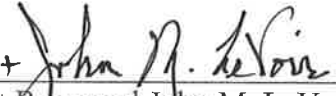
To provide more suitably for the good of souls, I have determined and decided that on June 26, 2020, the canonically erected Parish of the Sacred Heart in Franklin is to be herewith merged into the Parish of St. Catherine in Redwood Falls, Minnesota, and to continue to be known as the Parish of the St. Catherine with the additional territory of the former parish of the Sacred Heart being added to it; therefore:

1. Having carefully considered the law and the facts; and
2. Having heard the Presbyteral Council on April 19, 2019; and
3. Having heard the Parishoners of the Parish of the Sacred Heart, by means of parish meeting on November 18, 2019; and
4. Having determined that the good of souls requires it,

I, the undersigned Bishop of New Ulm, do hereby decree that the territory of the Parish of the Sacred Heart in Franklin is now joined to the territory of the Church of St. Catherine, the name of newly merged parish remaining St. Catherine. The care and transfer of all temporal goods of the former Parish of the Sacred Heart is to be given over to the Church of St. Catherine in Redwood Falls.

This Decree is to be communicated to the Reverend Pastor of the Church of St. Catherine in Redwood Falls, Minnesota, who is the canonical representative of the parish according to the norm of law in canon 532.

Given at the Chancery of the Diocese of New Ulm, on this day, the 26th of June, in the Year of Our Lord 2020.


Most Reverend John M. LeVoir
Bishop of New Ulm




Msgr. Eugene Lozinski, JCL
Chancellor