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Reverend Denis Spitzley
St Mary Parish
807 St Mary Blvd
Charlotte MI 48813-2215

Dear Father Spitzley,

After having consulted the Priests' Assignment Commission and having received your consent, I release you from your responsibilities as Pastor of St Mary Charlotte and Administrator of St Ann Parish, Bellevue. Keeping in mind the provisions of canons 523 and 524, I appoint you Pastor of St Catherine Labouré Parish, Concord effective August 1, 2009.

Father Denis, I appreciate your dedicated priestly service to St Mary parish, Charlotte and your willingness to expand pastoral ministry to include St Ann Parish, Bellevue and Olivet College in order to fulfill the pastoral plan of the Diocese. You have laid a solid foundation for the future in Charlotte and Bellevue.

You are not unfamiliar with the Jackson Vicariate, having served there in the past. I urge you to take an active role in the Vicariate meetings and gatherings, promoting the fulfillment of the pastoral plan in the best possible way.

Shortly after you arrive, I, or my delegate will install you in the office of Pastor. Following the Rite of Installation, found in the back of the *Book of Blessings*, you will make a public Profession of Faith and Oath of Fidelity, as required by law. Typically, this is done at one of the weekend liturgies. A copy is enclosed for your reference.

Assuring you of my prayers for the continued spiritual growth of St Catherine Parish, Concord, I am

Fraternally yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Earl Boyea
Bishop of Lansing

Monsignor Steven J. Raica
Chancellor

Enc Installation of Pastor

Pc Reverend James Shaver
Sister Rita Wenzlick, OP
Michael Diebold
St Catherine Labouré Parish Archives
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