

## **DECREE**

Clarifying the boundaries of Saint Joseph Parish, Warren

Whereas the Diocese of Erie has been engaged in ongoing pastoral planning for over a decade; and whereas this pastoral planning has resulted in numerous parish and deanery reconfigurations; and whereas I am taking this opportunity to ensure that the geographic territory of the Diocese of Erie is entirely distributed into territorial parishes without gap or overlap;

Therefore, I hereby define the boundaries of Saint Joseph Parish in Warren as follows:

In Warren County: the townships of Freehold, Pittsfield, Sugar Grove, Broken Straw, Farmington, Conewango, and Pleasant; the portion of Pine Grove township west of US Route 62; in Glade township the portion of the City of Warren west of Conewango Creek, including the area west of the confluence of Conewango Creek and the Allegheny River.

This decree is effective the First Sunday of Advent, December 1, 2024. Anything to the contrary notwithstanding.

Given at the Chancery of the Diocese of Erie on this 11th day of October, 2024.

+Lawrence T. Persico

The Most Reverend Lawrence T. Persico, JCL Bishop of Erie

Christopher J. Singer

The Reverend Christopher J. Singer, JCL Chancellor