

November 14, 2024

Dear Parish Family,

As many of you are aware, our Diocese of San Diego is entering into a difficult chapter. The recent filing for bankruptcy is a step toward addressing the tragic consequences of abuse within the Church over the past 80 years. This decision, though painful, is an essential part of providing justice and healing for those who have suffered.

It is important to clarify that while the Diocese itself is declaring bankruptcy, Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish is not. Our church and ministries are committed to continuing as we have, serving this community with faith and dedication.

At Our Lady of Perpetual Help, we are steadfast in our commitment to creating a safe and nurturing environment for all, especially our young parishioners. We uphold strict safety protocols and are committed to maintaining the highest standards of protection, as well as compassion, for all in our care.

I know that these times may bring up difficult feelings and questions. Please know that we are here to support one another through open conversation, prayer, and the strength of our faith community. I am grateful for your continued dedication and trust as we move forward with humility, hope, and resolve to live out Christ's love in all we do.

May we keep the victims and their families in our prayers, and may we walk forward as a Church rooted in healing, integrity, and unwavering commitment to the safety and well-being of all.

In Christ's peace,

Rev. Derek Twillige

Pastor

Our Lady of Perpetual Help