

May 4, 2020 – Consecration to the Blessed Virgin Mary

Dear Parishioners,

The month of May is dedicated to Mary, our Mother and the Mother of the Church. Pope Francis encourages us to pray the rosary daily during the month of May, this year seeking Mary's intercession during this pandemic.

Bishop Tobin has made a video of the service in which he renewed the consecration of the Diocese of Providence to the care of our Blessed Mother. I'm sending it to you for your own personal reflection and prayer.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BpsUdlfunHk&feature=youtu.be>

From the diocesan office:

"In the video above, Bishop Thomas J. Tobin, along with all of the Bishops of the United States and Canada, formally renewed the Consecration of our Nation to the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church. The Diocese of Providence, RI, under the protection of the Blessed Mother of Divine Providence, has now formally renewed its consecration.

Through a collective dedication or entrustment of a nation to Mary, an act of consecration is meant to be a reminder to the faithful of the Blessed Mother's witness to the Gospel and to ask for her effective intercession before her Son on behalf of those in need.

Although the ceremony was not open to the public, Bishop Tobin said "I will have in my mind and heart all the intentions, needs and prayers of the members of the Church in the Diocese of Providence.""

Video produced by the diocesan Office of Divine Worship.

God Bless!

Father Joe