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Reverend Christopher D. Donley
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Dear Father Donley:

As you are well aware, the Church of Pittsburgh has been praying, studying, collaborating, working together, striving to know the direction in which the Holy Spirit wishes to take us, and discovering how we can best meet the spiritual needs of our faithful as we advance the true mission of Jesus. This work has brought us to a new chapter in the history of our diocese. Now is the time for us to take the next important step to advance *On Mission for the Church Alive!*—embracing our particular call to serve the faithful of the Church of Pittsburgh.

In accord with Canon 517 of the *Code of Canon Law*, I am pleased to appoint you Moderator of Team Ministry of the newly established Divine Mercy Parish, The Point/Uptown/Hill District. This assignment becomes effective on Monday, January 27, 2020. At the same time, I relieve you of your appointment as Pastor of Divine Mercy Parish.

I have assigned Father Joseph Freedy as a member of your team. It is my hope that his gifts and talents will continue to assist you in the work you are undertaking as you begin this new parish.

I recognize your willingness to accept this new responsibility and have every confidence that you will provide appropriate pastoral leadership at Divine Mercy Parish. I am convinced that your parishioners will cooperate with you. I know that you will assist them to grow in holiness and to work for the building up of God's Kingdom in the Church of Pittsburgh. I ask that you give special attention to promoting and praying for vocations to the priesthood and religious life in our diocese.

In giving you this appointment, I extend my sincere gratitude for your fidelity to the priesthood and your share in my ministry to the faithful to this diocese.

Grateful for our continued efforts together in being *On Mission for the Church Alive!*, and for our belief that "Nothing is Impossible with God," I am

Your brother in Christ,

Most Reverend David A. Zubik
Bishop of Pittsburgh

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Reverend Joseph M. Freedy