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The funeral ritual for a cleric is a solemn event. For clerics who have undergone a canonical penalty, it is important to respect the dignity of that person and to ensure the solemnity of the funeral rites. This Instruction is provided to offer sensitivity to the family and friends of the deceased, and to minimize media exploitation of the cleric's death.

I, the Most Reverend Steven R. Biegler, decree the *Instruction for Funeral Arrangements for Clergy under Canonical Penalty* which becomes effective July 1, 2020.

Given in Cheyenne, Wyoming, on June 30, 2020, the Memorial of the First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church.

The Most Reverend Steven R. Biegler, DD, STL
Bishop of Cheyenne

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