



DECREE

SUPPRESSION OF ST. MATHIEU PARISH

(Canon 120)

Greetings and blessings in the Lord!

WHEREAS the Diocesan Bishop, in accordance with canon 515, §2 of the Code of Canon Law, has the right "to establish, suppress or alter parishes";

WHEREAS the Council of Priests has been consulted in conformity with the prescriptions of the law;

WHEREAS the pastors and the faithful of the parishes concerned recognize the good to be gained by regrouping the resources of the parishes of:

St. Mathieu and Ste-Anne-des-Pins – Francophone Community
and
St. Mathieu and St. Patricks – Anglophone Community;

We, the undersigned, Bishop of the Diocese of Sault Ste. Marie, by the present disposition, after much reflection, consultation and prayer, and with no other reason than for the pastoral good of those concerned, decree the suppression of *the Parish of St. Mathieu, erected in 1953.*

The present decree will take effect on the Solemnity of Christ the King, November 20, 2016, and will be read and published at all Sunday masses in the above mentioned parish on November 19th and November 20th, 2016.

May the Lord grant abundant graces and blessings to the faithful and their pastors.

Given at Sudbury, under Our signature, the seal of the Diocese on this eighteenth day of November in the Year of Our Lord two thousand and sixteen.

†Marcel Damphousse
Bishop of Sault Ste. Marie



Rev. Jean Vézina
Chancellor