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Dear Brothers and Sisters of the Diocese of Providence:

The audit for the financial position of the Central Administration Funds and Diocesan Cemetery Operations within the Diocese of Providence was recently completed by our independent auditors, Mayer Hoffman McCann PC, for the year ending June 30, 2016. The Diocesan Finance Council has carefully reviewed and accepted their findings. Those who wish to review the completed audit 2016 Financial Report in full detail may do so on our diocesan website (http://www.dioceseofprovidence.org).

Enclosed is the customary “User-Friendly” or summarized format of the 2016 Financial Report of the Central and Ministerial Services of the Diocese of Providence. The “User-Friendly” report reflects those areas of ministerial activity supported by the General Fund or the Catholic Charity Appeal. The performance has been relatively stable in both areas.

The Parish weekly budget collections are up 3.5% totaling $270,467, compared to $261,584 as of June 30, 2015. Our first three months into the new fiscal year to date. There is an innovative marketing program anticipating a very good second quarter ending December 30, 2016.

Even with modest increases in lay wages and other employee benefits we were able to keep expenditures in line with our income to the year prior. Operational expenses for both the General and Catholic Charity Appeals for $2,567,553 compared to $2,499,993 as of June 30, 2015 an increase of $4,159 or 0.2% in the past several years over the overall internal organization and the dedicated work of our employees to provide more services, has been encouraging.

As we move forward the 2016/2017 fiscal year holds many promises for the Diocese. We remain deeply grateful for the support of the Catholic Charity Appeal and we are hopeful for another productive year. The Diocese of Providence will continue to do its best to be careful stewards of the Diocesan resources by relying on the providence of God, on the support we get from our many advisory committees, on the leadership of our Pastors, and on the outstanding generosity of the lay faithful.

Thank you for your continued and generous support during the past year and may God bless you and your families.

Sincerely yours,
Thomas T. Tobin
Bishop of Providence

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**Ministries funded by the Catholic Charity Appeal**

**Emmanuel Homeless Shelter**

Through donations to the CCA, thousands of children of all ages have experienced Mother of Hope Camp for more than 60 years. Campers of all faiths and backgrounds benefit from the nurturing and loving community that is Mother of Hope Camp. Kids have a great time learning new skills, making new friends, and enjoying all that summer offers.

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**Mother of Hope Camp**

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