

ASSOCIATION OF LADIES OF CHARITY  
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## SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

Dear Presidents: **PLEASE SHARE THIS INFORMATION WITH ALL YOUR MEMBERS**

First and foremost, I hope and pray that this communication finds all well with you and your family. I write to you today to inform you of a decision that the Executive Board of the Association of the Ladies of Charity Diocese of Pittsburgh and I have unanimously agreed upon. In light of the guidance provided by the Diocese of Pittsburgh as well as that provided by the CDC, we believe that it is in everyone's best interest for us to cancel the President's Meeting scheduled for Saturday, April 18, 2020, as well as to postpone the Investiture and Investiture Dinner scheduled for Sunday, April 26, 2020, in light of the outbreak of COVID-19.

Please understand, this decision is not one that was easy to make; however, the safety of all attendees had to be considered. It is our intention, at minimum, to reschedule the Investiture Mass for later this year. Once the danger from COVID-19 has passed, we will work closely with the Office of the Bishop to reschedule this vitally important ceremony. If we are able to reschedule both the Investiture Mass and Dinner, we will not have a basket raffle this year. We will keep you informed of any plans to reschedule this event.

In this time of uncertainty, let us turn to our patron saints to intercede for us. Know of my prayers for each of you and your family members to remain healthy, safe, and at peace.

Please contact the Diocesan Office if there is any way we can assist you during this time.

In the Vincentian Spirit,

***Bernadette Jaketic***, President  
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