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May 25, 2005

Mrs. Jackie Lemmerhirt
4 Chesterfield Street
Framingham, MA 01701

Dear Mrs. Lemmerhirt and Parishioners of Saint Jeremiah Parish,

I have received your letter and package dated May 20, 2005 and I want to assure you that what you have submitted will be given appropriate attention. At this time I need to address the implied request to suspend the execution of the decree pending administrative recourse (see Canon 1734 §1). I now inform you that I am not suspending the execution of the decree.

For the record, I need to note that my letter to you dated May 11, 2005 clearly indicated my intention that the former decree dated April 25, "2004" was revoked and that the new decree May 11, 2005 was and is the only decree still effective.

Saint Jeremiah Parish in Framingham was closed on May 13, 2005 at 12:00 Noon; however, the Archdiocese of Boston will not move forward with the distribution of assets of a parish other than those authorized by the Closing Manual while recourse is pending.

I wish to assure you that I will respond to your request to revoke the decree within the thirty days I am allowed by Canon Law.

With all good wishes and assurance of a remembrance in my prayers, I am

Devotedly yours in Christ

Archbishop of Boston