

every Mass (Rubric permitting) until further orders. We beg of you also, dear revd. fathers, to remember Us in your oblation of the Holy Sacrifice and ask the prayers of your congregations in Our behalf, that God's blessing may attend Our labours and bring them to a happy issue. For We know how true the word is, "unless the Lord build the house, in vain do they labour who build it; unless the Lord guard the city, in vain do they watch who guard it" (Psalm 126.)

As We proceed through your districts to administer the Sacrament of Confirmation, we intend to personally examine the candidates in their daily prayers and the Christian Doctrine. All shall be required to recite from memory the Lord's Prayer, the Angelical Salutation and the Doxology, the Apostles' Creed and Confiteor (or general confession); the Acts of Contrition, Faith, Hope and Charity, and the Litany of Loreto or the *Hail, Holy Queen*.

"Now, the God of peace, who brought again from the dead the Great Pastor of the Sheep, our Lord Jesus Christ, in the blood of the everlasting testament, make you perfect in every good work, that you may do His will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom is glory for ever and ever—Amen" (Hebrews 13c.)

This Pastoral Letter shall be read and explained to each congregation of the Diocese on the first Sunday, or partly on the first and partly on the second Sunday, on which Mass shall be celebrated for them, after its reception.

Given at Kingston, under our hand and seal, this tenth day of May, the Octave of the Ascension, D.N.J.C., in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and eighty three.

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Bishop of Kingston.

By His Lordship's command,

THOMAS KELLY,
Secretary.