

WILLIAM PATRICK

By the Grace of God and



the Favor of the Apostolic See

BISHOP OF LA CROSSE

MARIAN CENTER FOR PEACE
DECREE

Private Associations in the Church are encouraged in order “to foster a more perfect life, or to promote public worship or Christian teaching”. Furthermore, private associations “also devote themselves to other works of the apostolate, such as initiatives for evangelization, works of piety or charity, and those which animate the temporal order with the Christian spirit” (can. 299).


Having observed the activities of the Marian Center for Peace since its inception in 1994 in Wisconsin Rapids, which includes Perpetual Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, a teaching center on the Shroud of Turin, the devotion to Our Lady of Guadalupe and the Divine Mercy; considering and acknowledging the Center’s engagement in pro-life activities; having examined the statutes for the Marian Center for Peace;

I hereby with this decree canonically recognize and erect the Marian Center for Peace as a private association within the Diocese of La Crosse for the good of the continued growth of the Church and the salvation of souls, not only in the Wisconsin Rapids Deanery but also throughout the Diocese.

Given at the Holy Cross Diocesan Center, La Crosse, this thirteenth day of January in the year of Our Lord 2015, the Memorial of Saint Hilary.

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Bishop of La Crosse


Chancellor