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## **Postponement or Cancellation of P.N.C.C. National Events**

On Friday, March 13, 2020 the active Bishops and Diocesan Administrators of the Polish National Catholic Church gathered to discuss the implications of the COVID-19 outbreak and a number of national events that will be taking place within the Polish National Catholic Church. In making these following decisions, consideration was given to the recommendations of the CDC and other local health agencies, the size of these events, the demographics of those attending and other factors.

The results of these discussions are:

1. The Mission and Evangelism Commission Workshop which was to take place from Friday, March 27 to Sunday, March 29, 2020 at Resurrection Parish in Temperance, Michigan has been canceled. It is hoped that we can return to Resurrection Parish in 2021 for the Mission Workshop when a new date is chosen.
2. The Consecration of Bishop-elect Jarosław Rafalko for the P.N.C.C. and Bishop-elect Ottar Myrseth for the N.C.C. will be postponed until Monday, September 14, 2020 the Solemnity of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross. While this was certainly the most difficult of items to postpone, it was felt that because a large number of Polish National Catholics would like to attend, that to fully celebrate this joyous event in the Church, it should be postponed.
3. The annual Supreme Council Meeting which was to be held on Tuesday, April 28 and Wednesday, April 29, 2020 will be changed in format. A teleconference of the Supreme Council will be held on the evening of Tuesday, April 28, 2020 so that we can fulfill the requirements of the Constitution and Laws of the P.N.C.C. There are also a number of financial and other important items that must be considered at the beginning of the Church's fiscal year. It is planned to hold the rest of the Supreme Council Meeting at the time of the consecration, in particular on Tuesday, September 15 and Wednesday, September 16, but final decisions concerning this will be made when the Supreme Council meets for its teleconference on April 28.
4. Decisions are also being made concerning the cancellation or postponement of Diocesan events. These announcements will be made by the appropriate Diocesan Bishop.

5. Other Committee and Commission meetings that will occur during the time period of the next 8 weeks may also have to be moved, postponed or canceled. Those involved will be informed by the chairman of each of the Commissions they serve on. If there are questions regarding these meetings, please contact the Commission chairman.

If there are any questions or concerns about any of the above items, please feel free to contact, via email or phone, the Office of the Prime Bishop or the office of your own Diocesan Bishop. Also, please know that the Bishops will continue to monitor this ever changing situation and other items may be added to this list of changes in the future.

We also encourage all Polish National Catholics to remain in prayer for the members of your own parish and for the entire Church. Also please remember those who are more vulnerable in this present situation and in acts of Christian charity, reach out to be of help.

With all good wishes and prayer, I remain,  
Sincerely in Christ Jesus, our Lord,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Most Rev. Anthony A. Mikovsky". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "M" and a long, sweeping underline.

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