

## DIOCESE OF ALLENTOWN OFFICE FOR PASTORAL PLANNING

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Mrs. Wanda Tansey 354 Hamilton Avenue Bethlehem, Pennsylvania 18017

Dear Mrs. Tansey,

On behalf of His Excellency, Bishop Barres, I wish to acknowledge your recent letter regarding the availability of Mass and the Sacraments in the Extra-ordinary Form at Saint Stephen of Hungary Parish, Allentown. Thank you for sharing our concerns with His Excellency.

Fortunately, while the petition you mentioned is being considered, a number of priests from the Diocese of Allentown, who are able to offer Mass in the Extra-ordinary Form, have graciously consented to take turns covering these Masses at Saint Stephen of Hungary Parish. Through their generosity of time, and working with Father Schoenauer, the Administrator of the parish, the Extra-ordinary Form of the Mass will continue to be offered on Sundays and Holy Days from now until at least the end of June, Ash Wednesday, Mondays during the Lenten Season, and on Holy Thursday.

Please be assured of Bishop Barres' prayers for you and your loved ones, and especially his remembrance of you at his daily Mass.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Reverend Monsignor David L. James, V.E.

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