

October 24
Feast of Archangel Raphael

Statement of Agreement

On this blessed day Archbishop James Peter Davis of Santa Fe, New Mexico graciously conferred with Father Gerald, the Servant General of the Servants of the Holy Paraclete, now headquartered in Rome and the following was mutually agreed upon as being to the great advantage of both parties.

1. The Paraclete Houses in New Mexico are to be Paraclete Houses and under the supervision of Paraclete Superiors immediately responsible to the Servant General. The canonical rights of the Ordinary of the Archdiocese remaining those of an Ordinary in which non-exempt Religious have residence.
2. The Servants of the Paraclete will not be asked to take lay-directors into their program or give Paraclete chaplains to such programmes or to become identified in any way with that program commonly termed A.A.
3. Having identified himself with the championing of such a program in place of the Paraclete program, Father Joseph McNamara is to retire from active duty in the Paracletes and may vacation with his Mother pending a solution of his vocation agreeable to all concerned.
4. Father Joseph Moylan, S.P. is granted Archbishop Davis' placeat to enter into office of Superior at Via Coeli. Father Owen Kirley is to cover temporarily pending Father Moylan's return from assignment in South Dakota.
5. His Excellency graciously agrees to recommend the Servants of the Holy Paraclete for the Decretum Laicus which they so ardently desire.

Recognizing the great advantages to both parties concerned and welcoming the restoration of the splendid-relations that have characterized the Servants of the Holy Paraclete and the Mother Archdiocese of Santa Fe and in particular the cordiality of relations begun by the late Archbishop Edwin Byrne and continued by His Excellency Archbishop James Peter Davis until the present misunderstanding arose.

We most happily witness the above agreement for which we thank God, Our Blessed Lady and Saint Raphael.

James P. Davis
Archbishop of Santa Fe

Gerald M. C. [Signature]
Servant General