

St. John Paul II Parish's Post



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IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT FOR OUR PARISH COMMUNITY

Dear Parish Community:

The Archdiocese of Newark has been notified that an individual named (Horacio) Daniel Medina has been falsely presenting himself as a Catholic priest in the northern New Jersey area where he is celebrating Mass in people's homes, ministering confessions and blessing homes and religious articles.

Mr. Medina was permanently removed from the clerical state by the Holy Father in 2013. As a result of the laicization, he is forbidden from wearing clerical dress and from functioning in any capacity as a priest. He is not authorized to celebrate the sacraments, including the Eucharist, or engage in any priestly ministry. His name appears on the Archdiocese of Newark's list of credibly accused priests.

We urge both clergy and the faithful to refrain from participating in any further attempt by Mr. Medina to offer the Mass or administer other sacraments. We strongly encourage that any such activity be reported immediately to the Archdiocese of Newark at 973-497-4254.

We ask that all the faithful join in prayer that Christ may bring healing and hope to anyone who has been abused by a priest or by anyone in the Catholic Church.

Any person who wishes to report an incident of abuse or misconduct committed by a member of the Archdiocese of Newark is urged to immediately inform their County Prosecutor or other law enforcement office as well as the Archdiocese's Department for the Protection of the Faithful.

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