

Office of the Bishop Diocese of Camden

March 14, 2024

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I write to you today to share news of significant importance to the Catholic Church of South Jersey. The United States Bankruptcy Court has confirmed our Chapter 11 settlement with survivors of sexual abuse. This decision opens a new chapter in the Diocese of Camden, allowing us to finally offer substantial reparations to survivors harmed by sinful priests dating back more than six decades.

While these three years of reorganization proceedings proved challenging, I appreciate the shared commitment to survivors among those who worked to bring this process to conclusion.

Once again, I express my sincere apologies and prayers to all those who have been affected by sexual abuse in our Diocese. I pledge my continuing commitment to ensure that this terrible chapter in the history of the Diocese of Camden, New Jersey never happens again. This settlement will enable the diocese to meet its obligations to the survivors of clerical abuse while we continue to serve the parishes, schools and those in need who utilize our social services throughout South Jersey.

I extend my gratitude to the survivors, our creditors, and all those involved in the reorganization proceedings.

Sincerely in Christ,

Most Reverend Denmis J. Sullivan, D.D. Bishop of Camden