



ROBERT J. BRENNAN
By the Grace of God and of the Apostolic See
BISHOP OF BROOKLYN



DECREE

I, the undersigned Bishop of Brooklyn, decree that **The Roman Catholic Church of Our Lady of the Rosary** located at 225 Seigel Street, in the Borough of Brooklyn, which is within the territory of the **Parish of All Saints – Our Lady of the Rosary of Pompei** is hereby **RELEGATED** to the profane but not sordid use according to the provisions of Can. 1222 §2.

After a careful consideration of the pastoral and financial needs, a determination was reached that the cost of restoring after a significant fire **The Roman Catholic Church of Our Lady of the Rosary** as an additional worship site was prohibitive to both the **Parish of All Saints – Our Lady of the Rosary of Pompei** as well as to the **Diocese of Brooklyn**, especially in light of the significant financial hardship being experienced by both entities. I have concluded that the delicate financial situation constitutes the grave cause required by canon 1222 §2.

Reverend Vincent Cardilicchia, Pastor, wrote to request that **The Roman Catholic Church of Our Lady of the Rosary** be relegated from the sacred to the profane. Prior to the issuance of this decree and in keeping with the universal norms of the Roman Catholic Church, after consultation with parishioners as well as the Regional Episcopal Vicar for Brooklyn, the **Most Reverend Witold Mroziowski**, and after having definitely determined that the care of souls would not suffer because of this decision due to the close proximity of the parish church, I consented to this reduction.

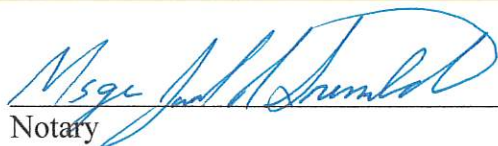
After having determined that no other parties can legitimately claim rights for themselves in **The Roman Catholic Church of Our Lady of the Rosary** I presented this matter for consultation to the **Diocesan Presbyteral Council on Monday, May 26, 2025**. Having considered the matter carefully, the Presbyteral Council overwhelmingly supported my decision to relegate this structure.

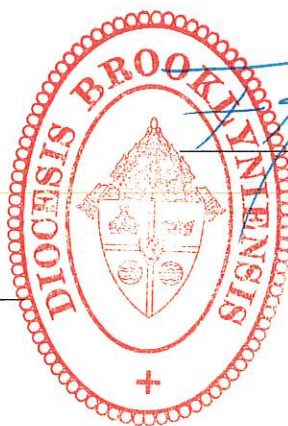
Therefore, having carefully followed the provision set forth in Can. 1222 §2 and having determined with moral certitude that the care of souls would suffer no detriment, I declare that this decree will take effect thirty (30) days after its publication. I order the publication of this decree in our Diocesan of Brooklyn Weekly Newspaper (The Tablet) and simultaneously on the diocesan website and determine that this publication will constitute the legitimate notification of

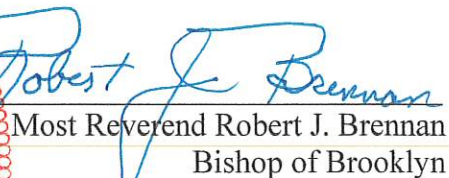
the decree. **The Roman Catholic Church of Our Lady of the Rosary** will not be restored and used for divine worship. Prior to alienation, all sacred objects, relics, sacred furnishings, stained-glass windows, bells, confessionals, altars, etc. are to be removed for use in other sacred edifices or to be stored in ecclesiastical custody. In case the altars cannot be removed, they must be destroyed (see canons 1212 and 1238). In addition, I order that any sacred furnishing and artwork, which the **Parish of All Saints – Our Lady of the Rosary of Pompei** does not retain for its own use, be disposed of in a manner befitting their character and the known intentions of any donor. Furthermore, in addition to the usual requirements of law for the *valid and licit* alienation by the parish of the property concerned, any disposition of the church is subject to my approval as being constant with the requirements of Can. 1222 §2.

All those who claim to have been aggrieved by this decree are herewith notified that, if they desire to file recourse against our decree, they are required, *ad validitatem*, to submit a petition in the sense of canon 1734 §1 to us within ten useful days from the legitimate notification of this decree.

Given in Brooklyn, New York, this 27th day of May in the Year of Our Lord, *Two Thousand and Twenty-Five*.


Notary




Most Reverend Robert J. Brennan
Bishop of Brooklyn