



DECREE

Altering the Name of Blessed John XXIII Parish To Saint John XXIII Parish

On the seventh day of October, 2007, Most Reverend John B. McCormack decreed the merger of the former Saint John the Evangelist Parish in Hudson and Infant Jesus Parish in Nashua, to form Blessed John XXIII Parish.

Now, in gratitude to God for his mercy and many blessings, in happy observance of the April 27, 2014 canonization of Pope John XXIII, and in accord with canons 121, 515 §2 §3 and 518 of the 1983 *Code of Canon Law*, I hereby decree:

1. That the name of Blessed John XXIII Parish henceforth shall be Saint John XXIII Parish.
2. That the names of the current Saint John the Evangelist Church edifice and Infant Jesus Church edifice shall remain unchanged. The name of the Infant Jesus Parish School shall remain unchanged unless the pastor, having heard the parish pastoral and finance councils of Saint John XXIII Parish, wishes to request permission from the diocesan bishop to change the name of the school in accordance with diocesan norms.
3. That the territorial boundaries of the parish shall not be altered by this action; and
4. Establish that, in accord with canon 519, the pastor of Blessed John XXIII Parish will be appointed to foster the pastoral care of Saint John XXIII Parish.

All parish registers containing the records of baptism, confirmation, Eucharist, marriage, and deaths preserved at Blessed John XXIII Parish shall be annotated to reflect the change of name of parish and shall be faithfully preserved in accord with canon 535, §§1-5; and according to the norm of canon 121, all assets, whether movable or immovable, and all liabilities of Blessed John XXIII Parish shall become the assets and liabilities of Saint John XXIII Parish. Furthermore, possession of all ecclesiastical goods and all objects of artistic or historical value belonging to Blessed John XXIII Parish shall be transferred to Saint John XXIII Parish and shall be administered in accordance with canons 1189 and 1292.

The alteration of the name of Blessed John XXIII Parish will terminate the juridic personality Blessed John XXIII Parish which it now possesses by law. Therefore, Blessed John XXIII Parish

shall be no longer subject in canon law of obligations and rights corresponding to its nature as a juridic person; in addition, said Blessed John XXIII Parish shall be capable no longer of acquiring, retaining, administering, and alienating temporal goods according to the norm of law.

Given at Manchester this 30th day of April, 2014.



Bishop of Manchester



Chancellor