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## Catholic Diocese of Columbus

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### **DECREE NOTABLY ALTERING the PARISH BOUNDARIES of St. Aloysius, Columbus of Holy Family, Columbus**

WHEREAS, a parish is defined as “a certain community of the Christian faithful stably constituted in particular church, whose pastoral care is entrusted to a pastor as its proper pastor under the authority of the diocesan bishop” (can. 515 §1);

WHEREAS, “as a general rule, a parish is to be territorial, that is, one which includes all the faithful of a certain territory” (can. 518);

WHEREAS, each parish’s boundary description states as a boundary the east side of Central Avenue between McKinley and Sullivant avenues;

WHEREAS, the recommendation is to change the boundary of each parish from the east side of Central Avenue to the middle of Central Avenue;

WHEREAS, having duly consulted with the pastors whose territory is adjacent to the current boundary (c. 50); having heard the Presbyteral Council which was provided with the necessary information and lawfully convoked according to cc. 127 and 166 on 26 September 2024 and offered genuine consultation according to c. 515 §2 in the form of unanimous agreement with the proposed alteration of the boundary affecting both parishes;

WHEREAS, having determined that the good of souls will suffer no harm and will benefit from a more certain definition of parish boundaries of both parishes;

THEREFORE, having considered the law and the facts, I, Most Reverend Earl K. Fernandes, Bishop of Columbus, decree the following:

- 1) That the new territory of St. Aloysius Parish is:

Northern boundary:

The center of Fisher Road from North Wilson Road on the west to the Scioto River; then the center of Scioto River east to a point on an air-line directly north of the northern terminus of North Central Avenue.

Eastern boundary:

From the point of the Scioto River north of the northern terminus of North Central Avenue straight south on said airline to said terminus; then south on the center of North Central Avenue, crossing West Broad Street and continuing south on the center South Central Avenue Sullivant Avenue.

Southern boundary:

The center of Sullivant Avenue from South Central Avenue on the east to South Hague Avenue on the west; then the center of South Hague Avenue north to West Broad Street; then the center of West Broad Street west to North Wilson Road.

Western boundary:

The center of North Wilson Road between West Broad Street and Fisher Road.

- 2) That the new territory of Holy Family Parish is:

Northern boundary:

The center of the Scioto River beginning at the point on an air-line directly north of the northern terminus of North Central Avenue a point where Central Avenue would intersect on an air-line to a point in the river directly east of the intersection of Griggs and Harmon Avenues; then an air-line straight west to the intersection of Griggs and Harmon Avenues.

Eastern boundary:

The center of Harmon Avenue between Griggs Avenue and Frank Road.

Southern boundary:

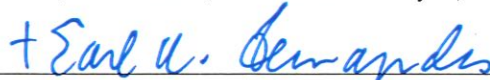
The center of Frank Road from Harmon Avenue to Harrisburg Pike (U.S. Route. 62).

Western boundary:


The center of Harrisburg Pike (U.S. Route. 62) from the intersection of Harrisburg Pike and Frank Road north to West Mound Street, at which point the road's name changes to South Central Avenue; then north on the center of South Central Avenue to West Broad Street, whereupon the road's name changes to North Central Avenue; then north on the center of the road to the terminus of North Central Avenue; then an air-line straight north to the center of the Scioto River.

- 3) That this alteration shall take effect upon the promulgation of this decree.
- 4) That this decree shall be promulgated by publication on the Diocese of Columbus website and in *The Catholic Times* diocesan newspaper.

Given at the Chancery Office, 198 E. Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of October, 2024.



Most Reverend Earl K. Fernandes  
Bishop of Columbus

  
Deacon Tom Berg, Jr.  
Chancellor

