THE CHANCERY

DIOCESE OF CLEVELAND CHANCERY BUILDING, CATHEDRAL SQUARE CLEVELAND, OHIO 44114

January 6, 1966 Feast of the Epiphany

Reverend dear Father:

The MEMORANDUM TO THE CLERGY brings to the priests, religious and laity matters of routine attention and also of special concern, in the concise form of a bulletin.

The MEMORANDUM will be issued by The Chancery from time to time during the year. It will reduce the number of formal official letters. It will inform our priests, particularly pastors and chaplains, of directives involving their sharing in the spiritual and temporal pastoral administration of our Diocese.

- 1. The MEMORANDUM is to be considered as official as any letter or communication directly from the Ordinary.
- The MEMORANDUM is to be kept on file in parishes and institutions. It is recommended that all priests retain their copy for reference.
- 3. The MEMORANDUM is punched with three holes in the margin of the paper, in order that copies may be conveniently filed in a ring binder.
- 4. Pastors and chaplains are to provide a stiff-back binder, in which the MEMORANDUM may be inserted during the year, and later retained permanently in the files.
- 5. This filing of the MEMORANDUM, every successive year in its own binder, is to be part of the inspection of the records of parishes and institutions at the time of visitation.

With prayerful best wishes and my blessing in the New Year, I am

+ Coadjutor Bishop of Cleveland
Apostolic Administrator

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CLERGY MEMORANDUM

No. 1/66

January 11, 1966

Prayers for Peace

Our Holy Father's constant concern for peace in the world, His Holiness' personal appearance before the United Nations in a plea for peace among nations, our country's increasing involvement in the war in Viet Nam, the uncertainty of the future continuance of peaceful and harmonious living, the sorrow of separation, the affliction of the suffering and wounded and the pain of loss through death in our families, should determine us to pray unceasingly for the cessation of all war, the preservation of human life and the restoration of permanent peace.

Accordingly, until the war in Viet Nam ceases and unsettled and disturbing conditions are resolved, the Prayer for Peace, from the Votive Mass for Peace, is ordered as an Oratio Imperata pro re gravi in all Masses, whenever the rubrics permit.

It is further directed that a prayer for peace and the safety of our men and women in the armed forces be included in the Prayers of the Faithful at Mass, and that prayers for peace be included at all religious services, devotions, and Bible Vigils.

Especially it is urged that a Holy Hour for these intentions be held once a week. In some churches and chapels the Holy Hour is already a weekly devotion. Pastors and chaplains are now asked to establish this weekly Holy Hour in all parishes and institutions.

2. Appointments with Bishop

The Most Reverend Coadjutor Bishop will see priests and major superiors of religious communities of men and women on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, between 10:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m., at the Archbishop's Residence, without previous appointment.

It is recommended that a check be made beforehand with The Chancery, in order to avoid a fruitless trip if the Bishop should be away from home on another engagement.

The Most Reverend Vicars General, Auxiliary Bishops Whealon and Elwell, will be available at The Chancery, as will be the Right Reverend Chancellor and the priests of the staff.