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Diocesan statement on St. Boniface Church, Manitowoc, WI

GREEN BAY, Wis. (Feb. 27, 2020) – In response to an article in today’s Manitowoc Herald Times Reporter, the Diocese of Green Bay wishes to clarify information regarding the razing of St. Boniface Catholic Church. This recommendation is being made to the diocese by St. Francis of Assisi Parish leadership. Back in 2005, when the Manitowoc parishes were consolidated, it was decided not to use the St. Boniface site. This recommendation comes following months of parish mission planning regarding the future of St. Francis of Assisi Parish, which includes worship sites at Marshall, Grand and Waldo. At this point, a number of steps would need to be taken before any final decision is made to move forward with the sale of property or building demolition. The leadership of St. Francis of Assisi and the Diocese of Green Bay will be in continued discussions regarding this matter.

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