



DIOCESE OF FORT WORTH

Statement regarding Father Poirot Statement

November 5, 2018

To Members of Sacred Heart Catholic Parish, Wichita Falls, Texas

On Friday, November 2, 2018, Father Jeff Poirot resigned his position as pastor of Sacred Heart Parish and requested a leave of absence from active ministry. Father Poirot wrote that he made the decision to leave ministry after prayer and consultation with family and friends. Bishop Olson learned from Father Poirot of his decision to abandon the ministry at 4 p.m. on November 2. Bishop Michael F. Olson has accepted the resignation and granted the leave of absence. Father Poirot's resignation does not involve any scandal.

The Diocese is saddened by Father Poirot's unexpected decision. Please pray for Father Poirot as he discerns his future and pray for members of the Sacred Heart Catholic Church.

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