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By the Grace of God and the Authority of the Apostolic See
Bishop of Green Bay

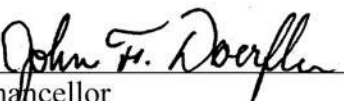
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Since that holy day of October 9, 1859, when the Blessed Virgin Mary appeared to Adele Brise near Champion, Wisconsin, the Shrine of Our Lady of Good Help has been honored by the pilgrimages of thousands of Christ's faithful. Moreover, the Bishops of the Diocese of Green Bay have supported the Shrine of Our Lady of Good Help as a place of prayer and pilgrimage in many ways, such as their presence for the annual pilgrimage on August 15, the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, granting their *imprimatur* for the publication of various editions of the Shrine's history book, and the blessing of the Chapel.

So that there may be no doubt of the Bishop's approval of the Shrine of Our Lady of Good Help, in accord with canon 1230 of the *Code of Canon Law*, I hereby approve the Shrine of Our Lady of Good Help in Champion, Wisconsin as a Diocesan Shrine in the Diocese of Green Bay, Wisconsin. Furthermore, I encourage the faithful to make pilgrimages to the Shrine to seek the intercession of the Blessed Mother and to draw closer to her Son, Jesus Christ.


Given at the Shrine of Our Lady of Good Help, Champion, Wisconsin, the eighth day of December in the year of Our Lord two thousand and ten, the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary.


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Chancellor



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