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Dear brothers and sisters,

As you may know, Pope Leo has appointed me Apostolic Administrator for the Diocese of Northampton. I am aware that this is a difficult time of uncertainty for our whole diocese. Amid these challenges, I want to thank you sincerely for everything you are doing to support your priests and deacons and keep our communities vibrant and stable. You are all in my prayers.

Over the past few weeks, I have met with the diocesan leadership teams and trustees to understand the current situation and plan the way forward.

It is my intention to spend a good part of one day a week in the Diocese and, in between times, to liaise with Canon Michael Harrison, in his capacity as Vicar General and with Canon Christopher Perry, in his role as Moderator of the Curia.

Regarding upcoming celebrations of the sacrament of Confirmation, we will keep the current arrangements in place. The local Deans will continue to administer the Sacrament as planned.

Please join me in praying for everyone affected by the ongoing situation involving Bishop David. Let us also pray for one another as we work together in the Vineyard of the Lord in our parishes, schools and religious communities.

With every Blessing,

Apostolic Administrator