

## ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF PETERBOROUGH

January 21, 2022

## ANNOUNCEMENT REGARDING FR. JEAN-PIERRE PILON

On August 19, 2021, Most Reverend Joseph Bambera, Bishop of Scranton, Pennsylvania, issued a decree to Father Jean-Pierre Pilon (also known as Father Anthony Lawrence from his early days in religious life), a priest of the Diocese of Scranton, revoking his faculties to exercise priestly ministry. Specifically, in light of the prescripts of CIC 974 §§1-2 and CIC c. 764, Father Pilon does not possess the faculty to hear confessions or to preach the Word of God anywhere because these faculties have been withdrawn by his bishop. **Father Pilon is not permitted to exercise priestly ministry in any capacity in any place.** 

Father Pilon served in the Roman Catholic Diocese of Peterborough from 2010 to 2021 until his faculties to exercise priestly ministry were revoked. Father Pilon continues to reside in Ontario.

Members of the Christian Faithful who observe any violation of Father Pilon's restriction on his exercise of priestly ministry are asked to contact the Diocese of Scranton and the contact information is provided below.

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