



## DIOCESE *of* LACROSSE

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Year of St. Joseph

Dear Brother Priests and Deacons:

May the Lord give you peace.

Attached are two Wisconsin Catholic Conference (WCC) communications addressed to the Catholic Faithful of Wisconsin echoing the necessity of the People of God being made aware of the situation regarding the proposed (H.R. 5) Equality Act of 2021. The suggested legislation leads to a difficult consideration of First Amendment rights, especially Freedom of Speech and Freedom of Religion.

Please read over the attached documents, make copies for your bulletin enclosures (if you are so inclined) and understand the gravity of this issue. I would not present it to you at the start of Holy Week if it were not so important and necessary for the practice of our faith in a free society. If you are asked about this, I want you to have correct information and positive feedback from me.

Blessings for Holy Week and the true sense of Who died on the Cross and why.

Fraternally,

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