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GENERAL DECREE

On 30 May 2003, my esteemed predecessor, the Most Reverend Stephen E. Blaire, issued the Decree Making Adaptations to the *General Instruction of the Roman Missal* for the Diocese of Stockton. Among the adaptations he decreed was that pertaining to n. 43 of the General Instruction of the Roman Missal:

In accord with the prerogative granted to the diocesan bishop in the Adaptations of the Institutio Generalis Missalis Romani, editio typica tertia, for the Dioceses of the United States of America, the faithful in the Diocese of Stockton will remain standing after Agnus Dei.

In accord with n. 387 of the General Instruction of the Roman Missal and canon 838 §4, I hereby decree that, beginning on 14 February 2024, Ash Wednesday, the Christian faithful in the Diocese of Stockton will kneel after the *Agnus Dei*.

Given this 18th day of January, two thousand twenty-four in the Diocese of Stockton.

The Most Reverend Myron J. Cotta Roman Catholic Bishop of Stockton

Chancellor