



## DIOCESE OF SUPERIOR

### OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

Welcome to the Diocese of Superior and Cathedral of Christ the King.

Since the 1300s under Pope Boniface VIII, Jubilee Years have been celebrated throughout the world. We are fortunate to live in a time where we get to celebrate every twenty-five years or so. The year of Jubilee we currently get to celebrate is one of Hope: in the Lord Jesus we are pilgrims of hope in the world.

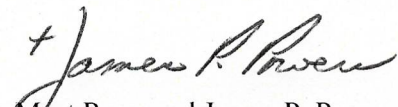
Through this pilgrimage I hope and pray that you receive an outpouring of the gift of hope that Pope Francis is desiring for each us. As you journeyed here to this place and then as you go, may you see signs of hope that transform your lives and may you be that hope for those who no longer see it. There are so many good people with good intentions. Let us pray that you encounter those good and faithful people and be a sign of hope for all as they may be for you.

Those signs of hope may be seen and experienced through works of mercy – feeding the hungry, giving drink to the thirsty, giving shelter to the homeless, visiting the sick, visiting prisoners, burying the dead, and giving alms to the poor. Let us be a sense of hope for the hopeless in our everyday lives.

As I mention in my Pastoral Letter on Evangelization, entitled *As the Father Has Sent Me, So I Send You*: My hope for the faithful of this diocese and for all of you pilgrims is to say 'yes', like Mary, our Blessed Mother, to receiving and giving the love of God in a fruitful way. It is through the great gift of the Blessed Sacrament that the Lord will sanctify, nourish, and send us. May St. Mary and St. Augustine, our patron, and all of the saints and angels intercede for us.

As you visit our historical Cathedral of Christ the King, dedicated in 1927 and restored in 2005, I hope and pray that you find a sense of peace and hope, experience the beauty and glory of the area, and come to a deeper faith in Christ.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

  
Most Reverend James P. Powers  
Bishop of Superior