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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Following thorough and robust consultation with experts in theology, bioethics, clinical counseling, civil and canonical law, as well as with priests throughout the Diocese, I am promulgating “A Catechesis on the Human Person and Gender Ideology.” This document is both an educational resource for those seeking to learn more about what the Catholic Church teaches and why, and an evangelical document for those looking to teach the Faith and draw others to the truths bestowed upon us by God.

I pray that all who read this catechetical resource may be enlightened by the foundational truths it conveys in all charity and drawn closer to God, who made us and desires that we experience his joy through the vocation he has given us.

Through the intercession of Mary our Mother and Saint Joseph, may Our Lord Jesus bless you and fill you with his peace.

Sincerely in Christ,

Most Reverend Michael F. Burbidge  
Bishop of Arlington