



DECREE

Clarifying the boundaries of Saint Charles Parish, New Bethlehem

Whereas the Diocese of Erie has been engaged in ongoing pastoral planning for over a decade; and whereas this pastoral planning has resulted in numerous parish and deanery reconfigurations; and whereas I am taking this opportunity to ensure that the geographic territory of the Diocese of Erie is entirely distributed into territorial parishes without gap or overlap;

Therefore, I hereby define the boundaries of Saint Charles Parish in New Bethlehem as follows:

In Clarion County, beginning on the Clarion/Jefferson County border at the Clarion/Limestone township line; south on the Clarion/Jefferson County border to Armstrong County; west on the Clarion/Armstrong County border to Rock Run (a tiny creek about halfway along the southern border of Clarion County); then a straight line north from the Red Bank Creek near Rock Run to Blair Road; north on Blair Road to Summit Ridge Road just past PA Route 861; north on Summit Ridge Road to Squirrel Hill Road; north on Squirrel Hill Road, continuing north on Wyant Road and continuing north on Haul Road to state road 2007; north on state road 2007 to the junction with state road 2011; northeast on state road 2011 to Borovick Road near Churchville; north on Borovick Road to PA Route 68; northeast on PA Route 68 to state road 2014 at Reidsburg; northeast on state road 2014 to the southwest corner of Clarion Township; east on the Clarion/Limestone township line to the Clarion/Jefferson County border.

This decree is effective the First Sunday of Advent, December 1, 2024. Anything to the contrary notwithstanding.

Given at the Chancery of the Diocese of Erie on this 11th day of October, 2024.

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