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MEMORANDUM

To: All Priests
From: Fr. Martin J. Dobrzynski, director
Mr. Kristopher W. Seaman, associate director
Date: 7/9/2010
Re: Transfer of the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe to Saturday, 11 December 2010

This year the feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe falls on the Third Sunday of Advent (December 12, 2010). According to the *General Norms for the Liturgy Year and the Calendar* (art. 58-59) the Third Sunday of Advent ranks higher than the memorial of Our Lady of Guadalupe and thus suppresses the feast. This means that the feast cannot be celebrated on Sunday. Because of the special devotion and significance to those in our diocese of Mexican heritage, Bishop Melczek has transferred the feast to **Saturday, December 11, 2010**. Because liturgies for the Third Sunday of Advent begin canonically at 4 p.m., the celebration of Mass for Our Lady of Guadalupe may be celebrated from 4 p.m. on Friday evening through 3 p.m. on Saturday. The prayer and readings for the memorial are cited below.

Readings: Lectionary #690A
Two options are given for the first reading

Sacramentary: Preface of Blessed Virgin Mary I or II (P56 or P57)
Opening Prayer: p. 754
Common of the Blessed Virgin Mary (p. 768ff):
Prayer over the Gifts and the Prayer after Communion

