



DIOCESE OF YOUNGSTOWN

David J. Bonnar

By the Grace of God and the Apostolic See

BISHOP OF YOUNGSTOWN

GENERAL DECREE ESTABLISHING THE 7TH EDITION OF THE *ETHICAL AND RELIGIOUS DIRECTIVES FOR CATHOLIC HEALTH CARE SERVICES* AS PARTICULAR LAW IN THE DIOCESE OF YOUNGSTOWN

Mindful of my responsibility as diocesan bishop to safeguard the integrity and unity of the truths of the faith, moral principles, and ecclesiastical discipline in the works of the apostolate pertaining to health care in the Diocese of Youngstown (cf. canons 392, 394, 678, and 747);

I, Most Reverend David J. Bonnar, by the grace of God and the Apostolic See Bishop of Youngstown, hereby issue this General Decree in accord with canon 29 establishing the 7th Edition of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops' *Ethical and Religious Directives for Catholic Health Care Services* as particular law in the Diocese of Youngstown.

The 7th Edition of the *Ethical and Religious Directives for Catholic Health Care Services* is to be promulgated in accord with canon 8 §2 by publication of the text on the Internet Website for the Diocese of Youngstown (www.doy.org) and by delivering a copy of same and a copy of this decree to the chief executive officer and the sponsors of all Catholic health care institutions located in the Diocese of Youngstown. The provisions of the 7th Edition of the *Ethical and Religious Directives for Catholic Health Care Services* shall become effective and binding within the Diocese of Youngstown on November 25, 2025, any particular legislation, directives, or instructions to the contrary notwithstanding.

Dated this 24th day of November, in the Year of Our Lord 2025.

Most Reverend David J. Bonnar
Bishop of Youngstown

Joan Lawson
Chancellor

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Notary

