# ARCHDIOCESE , OF CHICAGO

Office of the Archbishop



Post Office Box 1979 Chicago, Illinois 60690-1979

March 18, 2005

Lighthouse Catholic Media 303 E. State. St. Sycamore, IL 60178

Dear Mark and Terry,

I want to thank you for introducing the Lighthouse Catholic Media<sup>™</sup> Faithraiser<sup>™</sup> program to the Archdiocese of Chicago. The CDs and brochures are a welcome addition to the faith life and continuing education of our people.

I heartily recommend your program to all the pastors in the Archdiocese as a way to rekindle the faith of Chicago's Catholics and help fulfill Pope John Paul II's call for a New Evangelization.

May God continue to bless you and your endeavors to serve Him.

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Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I. Archbishop of Chicago



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June 4, 2006 – The Solemnity of Pentecost

#### TO CHRIST'S FAITHFUL OF THE ARCHDIOCESE OF SAINT LOUIS

#### **REGARDING LIGHTHOUSE CATHOLIC MEDIA**

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

With this letter, I am pleased to commend to you the apostolate of Lighthouse Catholic Media, which provides CDs of Catholic teaching given by various recognized experts in Catholic spirituality and theology.

I commend to all the faithful of the Archdiocese of Saint Louis the CDs made available through Lighthouse Catholic Media. It is my hope that all of the parishes in the Archdiocese will take advantage of this efficacious means of evangelization and adult catechesis.

In encouraging the welcome of Lighthouse Catholic Media to your parish, I assure you that the apostolate is dedicated solely to the propagation of our Catholic faith. The CDs are provided to the faithful of your parish with the request of a nominal offering. In all of the parishes which have been visited thus far, there has been a certain hesitation because of the fear of a financial burden upon the parish. While the parish invests in the initial stock of CDs, all of the offerings given for the CDs remain in the parish. Also any donations given over and above the suggested amount remain with the parish. What is more, Lighthouse Catholic Media buys back any CDs which do not sell. In other words, the parish is afforded a premiere opportunity for the new evangelization without creating additional work for the priest or additional financial burdens for the parish.

In presenting Lighthouse Catholic Media to you, I ask God's blessing upon this important work of the new evangelization in our time. Please keep the intention of the work in your prayers.

Invoking God's blessing upon you and your homes, I remain

Yours devotedly in Christ,

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(Most Rev.) Raymond L. Burke Archbishop of Saint Louis

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# DIOCESE OF DALLAS

Office of the Bishop

February 14, 2011

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

With this letter, I recommend to all the faithful of the Diocese of Dallas the CDs made available through Lighthouse Catholic Media. The CDs feature inspiring talks by leading theologians, clergy, and lay people, all of whom are faithful to the Magisterium. These offerings are a welcome addition to the continuing education resources available to pastors and lay ministers and should prove helpful in catechizing Catholics in all stages of faith development from the very active, to those who have, sadly, fallen-away.

The bishops of the United States have stated that adult catechesis must be a priority in parishes around the country. The materials from Lighthouse Catholic Media are an efficient means of assisting with that very important challenge and, an effective way to respond to Pope John Paul II's call for a new evangelization.

Faithfully in Christ,

+Kei Jarrel

Most Reverend Kevin J. Farrell, D.D. Bishop of Dallas



#### DIOCESE OF FORT WORTH THE BISHOP'S OFFICE



April 7, 2010

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

With this letter, I enthusiastically recommend to all the faithful of the Diocese of Fort Worth the CD's made available through Lighthouse Catholic Media. The CD's feature a variety of talks on numerous topics and issues by leading Catholic theologians whom are faithful to the Magisterium and present the Catholic faith in a dynamic and inspiring way that provide a crucial and important catechesis for adults. These offerings by wellknown Catholic speakers such as Father Benedict Groechel, Archbishop Fulton Sheen, Dr. Scott Hahn, and others provide a simple, effective, affordable, and easy way to bring the Truth of the Catholic Faith into the homes of Catholics in all stages of faith development: active, lukewarm, and even fallen-away. They are a support and encouragement for the other catechetical tools already in place at the parish while also reaching out further into the community to those who might not be actively seeking out the Church.

The products and services of Lighthouse Catholic Media certainly serve to enhance the crucial ministry of adult catechesis in the parish. It is of vital importance that all adult Catholics are continuously formed in the Truths of the faith. The CD's offered by Lighthouse Catholic Media certainly answer the call of the United States Bishops to make adult catechesis a priority in the parish: "We are convinced that the energy and resources we devote to adult faith formation will strengthen and invigorate all the charisms adults receive and the activities they undertake, in the Church and in society, to serve the Gospel of Christ and the people of today. Every Church ministry will be energized through a dynamic ministry of adult catechesis." (*Our Hearts Were Burning Within Us*, 39)

A catechized Catholic is an active Catholic, who is in love with God and His Church. It is my hope that all of the parishes in the Diocese will take advantage of this efficient means of adult catechesis and effective way to respond to Pope John II's call for a New Evangelization.

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Most Rev. Kevin W. Vann, JCD, DD Bishop of Fort Worth



## Catholic Diocese of Sioux Falls

Office of the Bishop

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March 17, 2010

Matt Vetter, Account Manager Lighthouse Catholic Media 5201 S. Birchwood Ave. Sioux Falls, SD 57108

Dear Matt,

Thank you for you for the information you shared about Lighthouse Catholic Media. I am familiar with Lighthouse and know that a number of our parishes are already enjoying the benefits of its work.

I am happy to encourage the use of Lighthouse Catholic Media in our parishes. The brochures, CDs and books are a wonderful resource to grow in knowledge of our faith and to nurture our relationship with our Loving God.

Thank you for your efforts and may God bless your service.

Yours in Christ,

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The Most Rev. Paul J. Swain Bishop of Sioux Falls



**OFFICE OF THE BISHOP** 

18 January 2010

Lighthouse Catholic Media Jenetta Padilla, Division Manager 114 Palm Beach Rd. Dickinson, ND 58601

Dear Jenetta,

This letter is in response to your request for an endorsement in anticipation of a Lighthouse Catholic Media representative visiting some of the Sioux City Catholic parishes. Although Lighthouse Catholic Media has been present in this Diocese for some time, it is my pleasure to publically offer my endorsement. I unreservedly recommend to all the faithful of the Diocese of Sioux City the Lighthouse Catholic Media brochures and CDs. Lighthouse Catholic Media serves as a great tool to grow in knowledge of the Catholic Faith and aids in developing a relationship with our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. It is my hope that all the parishes and schools in the Diocese will take advantage of this valuable means of catechesis and evangelization.

Your brother in Christ,

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Most Reverend R. Walker Nickless Bishop of Sioux City

#### DIOCESE OF SIOUX CITY

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November 12, 2009

Shelley Fritel Lighthouse Catholic Media Account Manager 5025 Chief Brave Wolf Tr Laurel, MT 59044

Dear Shelley:

Thank you for coming to see me in Billings last week in order to speak about the Lighthouse Catholic Media program. As I noted to you, interestingly enough, I had just picked up one of their CD's from the back of a parish church where I had been making a pastoral visit. I listened to it on my drive back to Great Falls and found the presentation on the CD quite good. This led me to investigate a bit deeper by looking up Lighthouse Media on the web. The educational selections they offer are extensive. Given the kind of driving that people do in Montana, I can see how utilization of these CD's would be a wonderful way for our people to receive faith filled education.

I will present this to our Priest's Council in November. I heartily recommend this to all the pastors and pastoral administrators of the Diocese of Great Falls-Billings.

In Christ,

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Michael W. Warfel Bishop of Great Falls-Billings

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Office of the Bishop

August 19, 2009

Ms. Julie K. Musselman Florida Division Manager Lighthouse Catholic Media 1989 Iowa Ave., NE St. Petersburg, FL33703

Dear Julie,

Thank you for your recent letter in reference to Lighthouse Catholic Media programs. I found the materials to be excellent tools for evangelization and catechesis.

Driving home from the office yesterday, I listened to Stephen Ray's CD, "Finding the Fullness of Faith." It was exceptional.

I wholeheartedly recommend your program for use in the parishes of my diocese. What better way to promote John Paul, II's call for a New Evangelization!

With the assurance of my prayerful support and good wishes, I am

Sincerely yours in Our Lord,

Most Rev. Victor Galeone Bishop of St. Augustine



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May 18, 2009

Lighthouse Catholic Media, NFP 303 East State Street Sycamore, IL 60178

Dear Mark,

I approve Lighthouse Catholic Media, NFP, and the work that you are doing, and I am pleased to welcome and encourage the presence of your FAITHRAISER programs throughout the Diocese of Rockford.

These presentations by Catholic speakers are sure to provide an abundance of spiritual benefits and help to fulfill Pope John Paul II's call for a New Evangelization.

May God bless you and your endeavors to serve Him, I remain

Cordially yours in Christ,

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The Most Reverend Thomas G. Doran, D.D., J.C.D. Bishop of Rockford



#### THE DIOCESE OF STEUBENVILLE OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

December 6, 2006

Mr. and Mrs. Jeffery King Lighthouse Catholic Media 431 Franklin Avenue Steubenville, OH 43952

Dear Jeffery and Mary:

It was a pleasure meeting with you on Friday, December 1. Thank you for introducing the Lighthouse Catholic Media Faithraiser program to me.

The apostolate carried out by Lighthouse Catholic Media is an important addition to the new evangelization. Through the excellent CDs which you make available to the faithful, they are led into a deeper knowledge of Christ and of His Church, and also to a more fervent practice of the Catholic faith.

I recommend the Lighthouse Catholic Media Faithraiser program as an efficacious means of evangelization and adult catechesis.

May God continue to bless you and your endeavors to serve him.

Most Reverend R. Daniel Conlon Bishop of Steubenville

Most Rev. Daniel R. Jenky, C.S.C. Office of the Bishop Diocese of Peoria



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May 19, 2006

Mr. Terry Barber PO Box 720 West Covina, CA 91793

Dear Mr. Barber,

Recently Deacon Greg Serangeli and Dr. Douglas Grandon informed me of the recent presentation made by Mark Middendorf and Terry Barber on behalf of Lighthouse Catholic Media. Both were favorably impressed with the tasteful displays containing low-cost CDs and concluded that the use of such displays would be an excellent means for further promoting serious catechesis and evangelization in our diocese.

I understand that the Lighthouse Catholic Media program involves the placing of a handsome display of eight CDs and three brochures in churches. The speakers and their topics are excellent, as are the brochures, and both are regularly "swapped out" to make fresh topics available in the displays. I also understand that the possibility exists for us to record CDs of my homilies and pastoral letters for placement in the displays, should we choose to do that.

While there is some initial cost, it does seem to be quite modest in comparison with the benefits gained by the parish. Because the sponsoring institution retains \$1.00 from every purchase, the displays should pay for themselves in very short order, as you note in your literature. The minimal cost of the CDs allows even parishioners of the most modest means to purchase them for their own use or to share with others.

Like Cardinal George, I am very happy to endorse Lighthouse Media's Faithraiser program and to encourage our parishes to use your attractive displays. We are grateful for the assistance you offer toward our achieving the goal of deepening the faith of adult Catholics within our diocese and of evangelizing those who have not yet responded to the Gospel of Christ.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+ Warnel R. Jenky c.s. C.

Most Reverend Daniel R. Jenky, C.S.C. BISHOP OF PEORIA

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#### DIOCESE OF MARQUETTE

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May 9, 2006

Mr. Adam Husing Lighthouse Catholic Media 405 Norway Street, #9 Norway, Michigan 49870

Dear Adam,

Praised be Jesus Christ, now and forever!

I want to thank you for introducing the Lighthouse Catholic Media<sup>tm</sup> Faithraiser<sup>tm</sup> program to the Diocese of Marquette. The CDs and brochures provide a wonderful vehicle for people to learn more about the truth of our Catholic Faith.

I heartily recommend the program to all the pastors and pastoral coordinators of the Diocese of Marquette. This is one effective way to respond to Pope John Paul II's call for a New Evangelization.

Please be assured of my prayers.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Alexander K. Sample Bishop of Marquette

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### DIOCESE OF CORPUS CHRISTI

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Oct 6, 2005

Mr. Terry Barber Lighthouse Catholic Media P.O. Box 720 West Covina, CA 91793

Dear Mr. Barber,

I thank you for developing the *Lighthouse Catholic Media Fundraiser*, to assist the Church in its duty to evangelize. The presentations by leading Catholic speakers on audio C.D.'s, are sure to provide spiritual benefits to our community.

The Office for Evangelization, will be writing a letter to all the pastors endorsing, on my behalf, this program.

May the Lord Jesus bless you.

Most Reverend Edmond Carmody, D.D. Bishop, Diocese of Corpus Christi



Kathy Campbell Coordinator of Catechetical Ministries Office of Total Catholic Education

March, 30, 2007

#### To Whom It May Concern:

The Office of Total Catholic Education has reviewed the LIGHTHOUSE Catholic Media CD based Adult Faith Formation program that Paula Arnold is presenting. We have found it to be doctrinally sound, economical, and flexible for use in a parish setting. The availability of the program in the Spanish language is also a plus. Parishes are free to decide whether or not to incorporate this program into their faith formation plan.

Sincerely,

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Kathy Campbell

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January 23, 2007

Mr. Mark Balcer Lighthouse Catholic Media 204 Harrison Avenue Kingsford, MI 49802

Dear Mark,

At your request, we have reviewed the CDs and informational material received from Lighthouse Catholic Media. The information does provide a good means of getting accurate information about the Catholic faith into the hands of those who are looking for it.

Based upon the material we have seen, Lighthouse Catholic Media is a good means of spreading the word about Jesus Christ and the Catholic faith. This is one way of responding to Pope John Paul II's call for a New Evangelization within the Diocese of Green Bay.

It is our hope and prayer that the enthusiasm and energy for evangelization around this program will be caught by pastors, parish directors or anyone using your materials.

Trusting in God,

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Deacon Mike Grzeca



# **Diocese of Toledo**

# MEMORANDUM

To:Pastors, Pastoral Leaders, Associate Pastors, and Deacons

From: Father Marvin Borger

Subject: Lighthouse Catholic Media

Date: 30 March 2006

A number of our parishes have been receiving calls or visits from Mr. William Miller of Monroe, MI, who represents Lighthouse Catholic Media. Lighthouse is a division of St. Joseph Communications, the producer of numerous Catholic spiritual talks on tape. Lighthouse Media is offering an "audio CD" service for parishes in which the parish purchases and stocks a display rack featuring Catholic speakers on various topics. They also provide at bulk rates the various brochures produced by Our Sunday Visitor. The features speakers are fairly well known—Scott Hahn, Fr. Benedict Groeschel, et.al.

A few pastors have asked the Chancery about Lighthouse. I met with Mr. Miller this week, and Bishop Blair has reviewed their sales literature. There is nothing objectionable about the spiritual material they offer from a doctrinal point of view. Parishes are free to decide whether or not to engage Lighthouse for these materials.

From the desk of...

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