



BISHOP OF MEATH

EDICT

I, Thomas Deenihan, Bishop of Meath, accepting the request of the Reverend Father John Hogan, legitimately constituted Postulator of the Father Willie Doyle Association, who on 25 January 2022, asked us with the *Supplex Libellus* to introduce the Cause for the Beatification and Canonization of the Servant of God, Father William Doyle SJ (Dalkey, Co. Dublin 1873 – Frezenberg, Passchendale, Belgium 1917), after having obtained the unanimous consent of the Irish Episcopal Conference and the granting of *Nihil Obstat* of the Sacred Dicastery for the Causes of Saints, hereby decree, according to *Normae servandae* n.11 b, and the Instruction *Sanctorum Mater* art. 43 §3, and inform the diocesan community of Meath, that we intend to introduce the

CAUSE OF BEATIFICATION AND CANONIZATION

OF

THE SERVANT OF GOD

FATHER WILLIAM DOYLE

Professed Priest of the Society of Jesus.

In accordance with the canonical provisions relating to the case, considering the serious responsibility that this decision entails, we formally invite all those who are aware of any matters relating to the reputation of holiness of the said Servant of God, even those which may be discordant, to submit it to us, the undersigned, or to the Postulator. All those who are in possession of writings (manuscripts, diaries, letters etc.) and any other document of Father William Doyle SJ, are invited to place them at the disposal of the Postulator of the Cause at the Episcopal Curia in Mullingar. If the owner of these documents and / or writings intends to keep the original, he will be able to show a duly authenticated copy.

This EDICT will remain posted for a period of one month in the Episcopal Curia of Mullingar, in the Cathedral of Christ the King, Mullingar, and in the churches of the Diocese of Meath.

Given at Mullingar, at the Episcopal See, on 25 October 2022.

✠ Thomas Deenihan
Bishop of Meath

Reverend Father Paul Connell
Chancellor of the Diocese