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Bankruptcy Court Confirms Deadline to File Claims in Diocese's Chapter 11 Case Remains August 13, 2020

U.S. Bankruptcy Judge Paul Warren has issued an order confirming that the August 13, 2020, deadline previously set for filing claims in the Diocese's chapter 11 case will not be extended, denying a request to extend the deadline filed by the official committee representing abuse claimants and other unsecured creditors.

A copy of the Bankruptcy Court's order is available at:

<https://case.stretto.com/rochesterdiocese/orderconfirmingbardate>

Consistent with the Bankruptcy Court's original order dated February 25, 2020, this recent order reiterates that **in order to be considered valid, any claims against the Diocese must be actually received by Stretto, the Diocese's Claims and Noticing Agent, by August 13, 2020 at 11:59 P.M. (prevailing Eastern time)**. Proofs of claim may be submitted either (i) electronically using the interface available on Stretto's website at <https://case.stretto.com/rochesterdiocese> or (ii) by delivering an original copy by hand delivery, first class mail or overnight courier to The Diocese of Rochester, Claims Processing c/o Stretto, 8269 E. 23rd Avenue, Suite 275, Denver, Colorado 80238. Proofs of claim sent by facsimile, telecopy, or e-mail will not be accepted.

The Diocese encourages all claimants to submit their proofs of claim as soon as possible, but in any case no later than August 13, 2020. The court-approved forms to be used to submit claims are available on Stretto's website or by contacting Stretto at 855.347.3773.

Victims of abuse should always report to the civil authorities. To report a case of possible sexual abuse and to receive help and guidance from the Roman Catholic Diocese of Rochester, victims are encouraged to contact the victims' assistance coordinator: Deborah A. Housel, (585) 328-3228, ext. 1555 (toll-free 1-800-388-7177, ext. 1555) or by e-mail: to victimsassistance@dor.org