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ANNOUNCEMENT

TO: Monsignor/ Clergy/ Religious/Parish and Pastoral Staff
RE: **St. John the Apostle Parish, Kingston**
DATE: 13 June 2026

Statement from the Office of the Archbishop

The following statement is issued by Archbishop Michael Mulhall

A financial issue has come to light regarding Friar David's use of the accounts of St. John Parish. Friar David met with the Chancellor of Temporal Affairs, Ken Hall, at the Chancery Office to explain the significant financial irregularities related to these accounts. An investigation into the full scope of this matter is ongoing. The Provincial of the Conventual Franciscan Friars and Archbishop Michael Mulhall met with Friar David on June 17th. After this meeting, Friar David returned to his Franciscan community in Toronto. Fr. Tim Shea has agreed to provide Sacramental Care for St. John's parish for the next few months until a new Pastor is assigned in the fall. We will provide you with updates as we are able to do so. Please keep Friar David in your prayers.