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**Catholic Diocese of Jackson Provides Information on Cybersecurity Incident**

JACKSON - The Catholic Diocese of Jackson has provided the following information regarding a recent cybersecurity incident.

On Wednesday, October 27, 2021, the Catholic Diocese of Jackson detected and stopped a network security incident. An unauthorized third-party infiltrated our network. We immediately shut off access to the network and engaged specialized third-party forensic and technical resources to respond to the incident. The Diocese has secured and remediated its network and the data we maintain.

Once our environment was secure, Diocesan curial officials were promptly notified, and a comprehensive investigation was launched into the extent of unauthorized activity with the assistance of third-party legal, technical, and forensic specialists (Diocesan CyberTeam). The Diocese procured and deployed a reputable endpoint detection and response (EDR) tool to secure the environment and block additional access by any unauthorized source.

The Diocesan CyberTeam has worked around the clock to restore services fully and safely and determine what information the data contained and is taking appropriate actions based on its review. As a result of this incident, the Diocese is researching and implementing enhanced cyber security measures to mitigate future cyber incidents.

The Diocese apologizes for any operational disruption that this event may have caused.

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