



DIOCESE OF LINCOLN

OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

December 18, 2014

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Sacred Heart Ministries, a formational apostolate of Matthew Simmons, is a laudable effort to help Catholics form deeper relationships with Jesus Christ and his Church. I am very happy to offer my support for the work of Sacred Heart Ministries.

Matthew Simmons, who resides in the Diocese of Lincoln, is a Catholic in full communion with the Church. I know him to be a person of integrity, of enthusiasm, and of serious commitment to missionary discipleship. Matthew's work is intended to complement and support the work of pastors, and to help Catholics more deeply immerse themselves in the sacramental and liturgical life of the Church. I know that Matthew desires to undertake ministry in accord with the teachings of the Church, and in deference to the Church's hierarchy.

Please be assured of my support for Matthew Simmons and for Sacred Heart ministry.

Sincerely Yours in Christ,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'James D. Conley', written in a cursive style.

The Most Rev. James D. Conley
Bishop of Lincoln