RFP #001 Priest Field Pastoral Center
4030 Middleway Pike
Kearneysville, WV 25430

The Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston is accepting proposals for a lease to purchase or direct purchase of its 46.73-acre retreat/lodging facility known as Priest Field Pastoral Center in Kearneysville, WV. Proposals will only be accepted by Catholic based organizations. All proposals are to be submitted in writing by 2:00 P.M. on December 15, 2020 and addressed to:

Bishop Mark E. Brennan
Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston
P. O. Box 230
1311 Byron Street
Wheeling, WV 25003

Proposals will be opened privately and evaluated by the Diocese through January 2021.

Site visits to tour the facility and associated structures/land may be arranged through Susan Kersey, the on-site Director, by calling 703-915-0599.

All proposals are to be based on a “as is” condition.

The property is a 46.73-acre retreat/lodging complex known as Priest Field Pastoral Center. The majority of the property (i.e. 42.44 acres) is located within the southwestern portion of Jefferson County, West Virginia. The balance of the property (i.e. 4.29 acres) is located in Berkeley County, West Virginia. The Opequon Creek and bridge runs between these tracts and essentially serves as a natural divider of both counties. The property is further located ±4.00 miles southeast of Inwood, West Virginia, ±8.00 miles south of Martinsburg, West Virginia, ±7 miles southwest of Kearneysville, West Virginia, ±7 miles west of Charles Town, West Virginia, and ±5 miles north of Summit Point, West Virginia. The site consists of a primarily wooded, rolling terrain with walking trails, customary landscaping and gardens, and picturesque views of the Opequon Creek meandering through the western portion of the property. Access is available along the south side of Middleway Pike (WV 51) via two commercial paved entrances. The improvements to the site are numerous and reportedly built between the 1970s and 2005. Most notable is the elevator served Pastoral Center (i.e. All Hallows Hall) which houses 40 overnight guest rooms, three apartments, director quarters, multiple meeting/conference rooms, kitchens, dining room, private offices, lobby, patio/deck areas, etc. In addition, there are multiple accessory buildings including 4 cabins, 2 dormitories, chapel, maintenance building, three garages, lean-to shed, etc. and some road improvements. The most notable and recent improvement was the 2004/2005 addition in the pastoral center that reportedly cost for approximately $2,350,000 which added guest rooms, elevator, conference center, and apartment.
All questions regarding the proposal are to be directed via email to the following:

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A link titled RFP#001 Supplement with more information on the property is available at the website for the center at https://priestfield.org.