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Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Habemus papam! We have a pope.

Through prayerful discernment and with the assistance of the Holy Spirit, the Cardinals of our Church have chosen our new shepherd. This is a unifying moment in the life of the Church, reminding us of the Good Shepherd's eternal care for His flock. Christ, who is yesterday, today, and forever, now places the care of this flock in the hands of Pope Leo XIV.

With great joy and gratitude, I join with all of you throughout the Archdiocese of Cincinnati in praying for our new Holy Father. May the Lord grant him wisdom, courage, and strength in carrying out his sacred ministry.

In Christ,

Most Reverend Robert G. Casey Archbishop of Cincinnati

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