



## DIOCESE OF GRAND RAPIDS

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**RE: Diocese of GR Utility Bill Assessment Program**

To all Parishes of the Diocese of Grand Rapids -

As part of an ongoing effort to reduce operating costs and avoid escalating utility expenses, the Diocese of Grand Rapids has contracted with Reliable Energy, Inc. to assess its utility bills and advise on the proper selection of available utility service rates. At the request of the Diocese, Reliable Energy has agreed to provide this service to each of our member Parish's at no additional charge and with no obligation on your part.

The Diocese has already undertaken this process and we found it to be quick, easy and valuable. All that was required on our end was to provide Reliable Energy with copies of our recent invoices for natural gas and electricity. They evaluated our existing service rates and provided a detailed report explaining charges along with recommendations as to steps we could take to reduce costs and avoid future rate increases. Reliable Energy then worked with us to facilitate several utility rate changes and they continue to serve as an advocate for the Diocese in monitoring future utility rate opportunities.

The Diocese of Grand Rapids encourages all Parishes to take advantage of this program.

Kind Regards,

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Chancellor/CFO