



DIocese OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE
OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

April 11, 2023

To the People of God in the Diocese of Rockville Centre:

Together we take great pride that our Bishop Emeritus William Murphy will receive the Pontifical North American College's Annual Rector's Award on April 20, 2023 in Rome in recognition of his many years of service to the North American College as an alumnus and a board member.

As we know, Bishop Murphy is a global Churchman who has always taught us that a love for the Holy Father and the Eternal City makes us even more effective Catholic evangelizers and witnesses on Long Island.

Mentor of seminarians, priests and bishops, champion of our heroic and courageous lay people who witness to our Catholic Faith in the public square, Bishop Murphy's joyful Gospel spirit and intelligent fidelity to the Splendor of Catholic truth always inspires and encourages us.

Our prayers and affection for a truly great Catholic Churchman. *Ad Multos Annos* Bishop Murphy!

Sincerely in Christ,

Most Rev. John O. Barres

Most Rev. Robert J. Coyle

Most Rev. Luis Romero Fernandez, M. Id

Most Rev. Andrzej Zglejszewski

Most Rev. John C. Dunne