

Sorin to Bishop Coad. - Adm. of Detroit, Peter Paul Lefevre, Feb. 24, 1845

p. 2. but I ask you, at this time, a service which you can render me, I hope, which will be to the direct advantage of your diocese.

Last year the Bishop of Vincennes [de la Hailandière] asked for us \$ 3000 from the Propagation of the Faith [Paris-Lyons] and he was accorded 13,000 francs. I do not have the least doubt that a like petition on your part for the establishment of your Sisters will have the same effect. If the Prop. of the Faith this year -- for your diocese, another establishment of the Sisters at Bertrand -- start of an orphanage --- and their noviciate, I am confident that ^{we} you will have next? neighboring? a school --- the Sisters at Pokagon --- Croche and a church at St. Joseph, Calamazoo, and Pokagon... Irish priest here will be very useful... Councils of Paris-Lyons [Prop. of Faith] will not refuse requests of Bishops -- for communities established in their dioceses. I love to hope, your Holiness, that this request of mine will not -- you -- but on contrary will bring you all that which depends on your obtaining for us an allocation, the effects of which ought to be so consoling for this section of your diocese

p. 3. The report on the funds --- towards the end of April, I pray your Highness to make this request in consideration as soon as possible.

Providence is pleased to augment-increase-... our nascent-budding-family, From the bottom of our heart, may you be blessed with health - the best to you. Accept our sincere wishes.

I am ???

of your Highness

your very humble and devoted servant

E. Sorin

P. S. Please give our respects - regards - to good Mr. Kindelens

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