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### **Statement from the Diocese of El Paso in the Tragic Shooting at Annunciation Catholic School in Minneapolis, MN**

The Diocese of El Paso offers prayers and condolences to the victims of the tragic shooting at Annunciation Catholic School in Minneapolis, Minnesota today. The El Paso community knows this pain to well and our hearts are broken at the loss of life today. Our most fervent prayers are with the students, parents, teachers and the extended Catholic Community of the Parish and school of The Annunciation Catholic Church in Minneapolis.

Bishop Mark J. Seitz expressed his sorrow, “No one should ever have to face the horror of losing loved ones, especially children in this way. In El Paso, we understand the weight of such a loss, and our prayers are with the victims, their families, and the entire Minneapolis community. May God, in His mercy, bring comfort and healing to all those affected,” he added.

The Diocese of El Paso remains committed to the safety and security of all our children in our catholic schools. As of right now our schools are safe and remain vigilant in response to this tragedy in Minneapolis today.

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