



# ARCHDIOCESE FOR THE MILITARY SERVICES, USA

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To: Pastors and Parish Life Coordinators

Ref: Letter of Introduction to the Carrick Ministries Foundation

Dear Colleague of the Vineyard,

Please allow me to introduce you to Mrs. Julie Carrick and Mr. Kurt Carrick of the Carrick Ministries Foundation. I first met Julie and Kurt at the April 2014 Military Council of Catholic Women Worldwide (MCCW-W) Conference in Chattanooga Tennessee. Throughout the four-day conference they engaged over 250 attendees with spiritual meaningful songs, and deeply moving witness talks. All the presentations were grounded in Sacred Scripture, and Catholic theology, dogma and doctrine. Julie composes the music and writes lyrics that capture life's many experiences and situations. Her songs help the message move from the head to the heart.

Because of the global pandemic, I not only recommend Julie Carrick and the Carrick Ministries presenters, but I strongly encourage a ministry event with them. The Catholic faithful need to re-focus on their participation in the Eucharist and the obligation for regular Mass attendance. The parish missions, conference talks, retreats and other presentations they offer will be a most meaningful tool to assist you in sharing the 'Good News' as you welcome your flock home. A passionate Eucharistic focus, along with ways of living the faith in the sacramental life of the Church, is witnessed most gracefully in the various offerings of Julie and all of the Carrick Ministries Presenters.

Sincerely Yours in Christ,

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