

# Press Release

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## **Statement from the Archdiocese of St. John's**

### **Re: Decision of the Newfoundland and Labrador Court of Appeal in John Doe et al. v. The Roman Catholic Episcopal Corporation of St. John's**

The Archdiocese of St. John's was provided yesterday with a copy of the Newfoundland and Labrador Court of Appeal judgement in the case of John Doe et al. versus the Roman Catholic Episcopal Corporation of St. John's. This judgement overturns the legal conclusions made by the trial judge of this case.

As the judgement has just been received, the Archdiocese will need to review and analyze it with its legal counsel before providing any further comment.

While the Archdiocese of St. John's was never responsible for the operations of the orphanage or the school at Mount Cashel, we have immense sympathy for those who suffered in the past and continue to suffer, as a result of abuse. We ask for prayers for all those involved in this sad matter. We continue to move forward, focused on our daily work of building God's kingdom through service, word and worship.