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Dear Msgri./Frs., Brothers and Sisters in the Lord,

TRANSITION - LATE REV. FR. RAPHAEL ABIOLA ADEBAYO

It is with a heavy heart but with strong faith in Christ and hope in the resurrection of the body that we announce the death of our dear brother-priest: Rev. Fr. Raphael Abiola Adebayo, who died today, Tuesday, 3rd January, 2023.

The Late Fr. Rev. Fr. Raphael Abiola Adebayo was a priest of the Archdiocese of Lagos, ordained on 12th April, 1980. He served in several parishes in the Archdiocese including St. Paul Catholic Church, Ebutte-Metta, St. Anthony Catholic Church, Gbaja, Catholic Church of Assumption, Falomo, St. Agnes Catholic Church, Maryland, thereafter; he was transferred to Catholic Church of the Resurrection, Magodo as Parish Priest until his death.

Funeral arrangements would be communicated later.

Meanwhile let us all offer Masses for the repose of his soul and the consolation of all who mourn. Let us also remember to pray in particular, for the members of his family who mourn his passing and are in need of our prayers at this time. We remind all priests of their obligation to celebrate Masses for the repose of his soul.

May God grant him eternal rest and a place of happiness, light and peace among the saints.

(Signed)

+Alfred Adewale Martins Archbishop of Lagos 3rd January, 2023