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The following U.S. bishops and apostolic administrators have posted statements on the unjust HHS Contraception/Sterilization Mandate and its infringement of conscience rights & religious liberty.

*N.b.: This alphabetical list is current as of February 6, and will continue to be updated as additional links become available.*

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| [Bishop Martin Amos of Davenport, IA](http://www.davenportdiocese.org/comm/commlib/HHS%20Mandate%20Bp%20Ltr%200112%20.pdf) |
| [Bishop Samuel Aquila of Fargo, ND](http://www.fargodiocese.org/Bishop/TheFederalAssaultOnReligiousFreedom.pdf) |
| [Archbishop Gregory Aymond of New Orleans, LA](http://www.arch-no.org/news/archbishop+aymond+reacts+to+hhs+mandate) |
| [Bishop Gerald Barbarito of Palm Beach, FL](http://www.diocesepb.org/acrobat_files/2012/BishopBarbaritoltr_HHS_Jan2012.pdf) |
| [Bishop Gerald Barnes of San Bernadino, CA](http://sbdiocese.blogspot.com/2012/02/hhs-decision-stifles-religious-freedom.html) |
| [Bishop John Barres of Allentown, PA](http://www.cathedral-church.org/hhs-ruling.pdf) |
| [Bishop Leonard Blair of Toledo, OH](http://www.toledodiocese.org/) |
| [Bishop Stephen Blaire of Stockton, CA](http://www.stocktondiocese.org/Our-Bishop/Bishop-s-Statements/Health-and-Human-Services-Statement-02-2012) |
| [Bishop Earl Boyea of Lansing, MI](http://www.dioceseoflansing.org/) |
| [Bishop Paul Bradley of Kalamazoo, MI](http://www.micatholicconference.org/assets/files/updates/20120126-BradleyLetter.pdf) |
| [Bishop Lawrence Brandt of Greensburg, PA](http://www.dioceseofgreensburg.org/Pages/HHSstatement.aspx) |
| [Bishop Michael Bransfield of Wheeling-Charleston, WV](http://www.dwc.org/component/content/article/189-latest-news/1119-bishop-bransfield-releases-statement-on-conscience-protection-in-health-care-and-religious-liberty.html) |
| [Father Barry Brinkman, Apostolic Administrator of Salina, KS](http://salinadiocese.org/) |
| [Archbishop Timothy Broglio of Military Services, USA](http://www.milarch.org/site/apps/nlnet/content2.aspx?c=dwJXKgOUJiIaG&b=6536793&ct=11609097&notoc=1) |
| [Bishop Tod Brown of Orange, CA](http://rcbo.org/component/content/article/3/530-bishop-brown-speaks-out-on-hhs-mandate.html) |
| [Bishop Fabian Bruskewitz of Lincoln, NE](http://dioceseoflincoln.org/Documents/PDFs/BishopLetter_Jan29_2012.pdf) |
| [Bishop Edward Burns of Juneau, AK](http://www.dioceseofjuneau.org/core/files/dioceseofjuneau/uploads/files/DioceseofJuneau/Bishop/BpBurnsHHSLetter-read-at-all-%20parishes.pdf) |
| [Bishop William Callahan of La Crosse, WI](http://dl.dropbox.com/u/817573/Bishop%20Callahan%20Sunday%20Mass%20Letter%20Jan%2029%2C%202012.pdf) |
| [Bishop Frederick Campbell of Columbus, OH](http://www.colsdioc.org/Portals/0/Departments/COM/Documents/Bp.%20Campbell%20letter%201.29.12.pdf) |
| [Archbishop Robert Carlson of St. Louis, MO](http://stlouisreview.com/article/2012-01-23/pastoral-message) |
| [Archbishop Charles Chaput of Philadelphia, PA](http://catholicphilly.com/2012/01/news/nation-world/catholic-voters-urged-to-press-us-government-to-rescind-hhs-mandate/) |
| [Bishop David Choby of Nashville, TN](http://dioceseofnashville.com/index.htm) |
| [Bishop Peter Christensen of Superior, WI](http://www.catholicdos.org/File/Pat_Wildenberg/Bishop_letter_to_be_read_at_Masses_1-26-2012.pdf) |
| [Bishop Matthew Clark of Rochester, NY](http://www.dor.org/tasks/sites/home/assets/File/Bishop%20Clark%20letter.pdf) |
| [Archbishop Paul Coakley of Oklahoma City, OK](http://d8n.me/X?r=cv) |
| [Bishop George Coleman of Fall River, MA](http://www.fallriverdiocese.org/ltr%20on%20HHS%20ruling.pdf) |
| [Bishop James Conley of Denver, CO](http://www.archden.org/index.cfm/ID/7518) |
| [Bishop Daniel Conlon of Joliet, IL](http://www.dioceseofjoliet.org/) |
| [Bishop Michael Cote of Norwich, CT](http://www.norwichdiocese.org/news/?select=508) |
| [Bishop Robert Cunningham of Syracuse, NY](http://syracusediocese.org/assets/Uploads/pdfs/HHS-Ruling-letter2012.PDF) |
| [Bishop Francis DiLorenzo of Richmond, VA](http://www.richmonddiocese.org/2012/1/headlines/us-department-health-and-human-services-announcement) |
| [Cardinal Daniel DiNardo of Galveston-Houston, TX](http://www.archgh.org/blog/main.asp?Tid=597&cat=Cardinal%20DiNardo&id=39) |
| [Bishop Gerald Dino, Eparchy of Phoenix, AZ](http://saintanneslo.com/wordpress/bulletins/2012/01-29-12.pdf) |
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| [Cardinal-designate Timothy Dolan of New York, NY](http://blog.archny.org/?p=2182) |
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| [Cardinal Edward Egan, Retired Archbishop of New York City, NY](http://www.archny.org/news-events/news-press-releases/index.cfm?i=23259) |
| [Bishop Felipe Estevez of Saint Augustine, FL](http://www.dosafl.com/NewsBriefs.asp?ArticleID=960) |
| [Bishop Paul Etienne of Cheyenne, WY](http://bishopsblog.dioceseofcheyenne.org/?p=1870) |
| [Bishop Kevin Farrell of Dallas, TX](http://www.star-telegram.com/2012/01/26/3691131/vann-and-farrell-obama-administration.html?storylink=addthis#.TyLWgo_RbIk.facebook) |
| [Bishop Robert Finn of Kansas City-Saint Joseph, MO](http://www.diocese-kcsj.org/_docs/Conscience-Protection-01-31-2012.pdf) |
| [Bishop Roger Foys of Covington, KY](http://www.covingtondiocese.org/) |
| [Bishop Joseph Galante of Camden, NJ](http://www.camdendiocese.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=2149:bishop-galantes-letter-on-healthcare-mandate&catid=33:press-releases-a-latest-news&Itemid=1203) |
| [Archbishop Gustavo Garcia-Siller of San Antonio, TX](http://freepdfhosting.com/d7caf7b7fb.pdf) |
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| [Archbishop Wilton Gregory of Atlanta, GA](http://biltrix.com/2012/01/30/letter-from-archbishop-wilton-gregory-on-the-u-s-hhs-announcement-last-week/) |
| [Bishop Robert Gruss of Rapid City, SD](http://www.rapidcitydiocese.org/Home/Documents/HSS%20Ruling%20Letter.pdf) |
| [Archbishop Jerome Hanus of Dubuque, IA](http://www.arch.pvt.k12.ia.us/Administration/archmessages/HHS-HealthMandateLetter.pdf) |
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| [Bishop Peter Jugis of Charlotte, NC](http://news.charlottediocese.net/component/content/article/50-roknewspager-viewpoints/1361-bishop-peter-j-jugis-we-must-stand-up-and-protect-religious-freedom) |
| [Bishop David Kagan of Bismarck, ND](http://bismarckdiocese.com/) |
| [Monsignor Kurt Kemo, Apostolic Administrator of Steubenville, OH](http://home.catholicweb.com/diosteub/files/HHS_ruling_2012__2_.pdf) |
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| [Archbishop Joseph Kurtz of Louisville, KY](http://www.archlou.org/letter-to-the-faithful-regarding-religious-liberty-and-hhs-regulations/) |
| [Bishop Terry LaValley of Ogdensburg, NY](http://northcountrycatholic.org/Articles/2012/2_1HHS.html) |
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| [Bishop William Lori of Bridgeport, CT](http://www.washingtonpost.com/blogs/guest-voices/post/the-jesus-mandate-vs-obamas-mandate/2012/01/27/gIQAJ5jpVQ_blog.html) |
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| [Bishop Robert McManus of Worcester, MA](http://www.worcesterdiocese.org/bishop/HHSLetter/tabid/1295/Default.aspx) |
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| [Bishop Walker Nickless of Sioux City, IA](http://www.scdioceseschools.org/about.cfm?subpage=1418097) |
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| [Bishop Richard Seminack, Eparchy of Chicago, IL](http://www.stsophiaukrainian.cc/resources/wewillnotcomply/) |
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