Compliance at all costs will cost us everything.

This will not end until we make it end. I realize how this sounds to many of you. Not very unifying. Please know that my family has received all of our scheduled vaccinations up until covid, we masked without any real protest and we acted as most of us did in the 15 months after covid began. What is going on now is wrong and largely a failure of product, policy and politics.

COVID is terrible, and the death that it has caused is very serious. None of us asked for this.

Six months ago, I was worried that our children would be subject to another year of masks, mass quarantines and fear. These are real concerns for most of us but they have all been eclipsed by Forced Vaccinations or else. This disease is serious, but as thousands of us attended a football game a few weeks ago (during a pandemic) can we reconcile how a man or woman should lose their ability to feed their family because they will not be coerced. This is injustice.

By our indifference we are inviting more injustice to come to us all. We must defend God, Faith, Science and Reason with every conversation. We must carry Hope that God's mercy will intercede. We must Love our fellow man.

As we have acted in compassion over these last 2 years, we have fallen asleep in the false hope that we will all be safe if we... we can go back to normal if we... we can keep our job if we... This should have never been the case. While our Faith & Freedoms have granted us a bountiful life, we somehow have convinced ourselves that unless we comply, then we have failed. We must realize that the cure is worse than the disease and our Freedom is more valuable than ever.

The world continues its march to safety or else and <u>the answer is, no more</u>. Together, as Catholics, with a multitude of counsel we can unify and bring about the change that is needed to help our children thrive again at our schools and to continue God's work together.

For me and mine, our work begins within our Parish and Diocese. It begins by making certain my Parish leadership understands that there is a cost to students wearing a mask all day, there is a cost to shutting down an entire middle school for 1 positive covid case (already vaccinated) and there will be a severe cost if our Leadership decides to comply with the pending student vaccine mandates that threaten our Country right now. We can do this better and we should accept the challenge.

In this light we urge and encourage our diocese to loosen that which binds us.

Recognition that God and faith need to lead us and a call to unify is required.

Recognition that there is a negative side to every mitigation proposed in our Catholic schools and parishes.

Recognition that the covid vaccination should never be administered in any of our facilities across the diocese.

Recognition that real injustice is being carried out by our corporations and government authorities every day with their continuation of vaccine mandates. The efficacy of this product continues to drop. You can both spread be infected with Covid after receiving this vaccine.

The CDOWKS should begin immediately to speak against this current, common practice and we should stand together to protect these basic rights. It might one day be you subject to these policies.