

THE ROMAN CATHOLIC
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OF **ATLANTA**
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Decree

Whereas Celiac disease afflicts a number of Catholics throughout the Archdiocese of Atlanta;

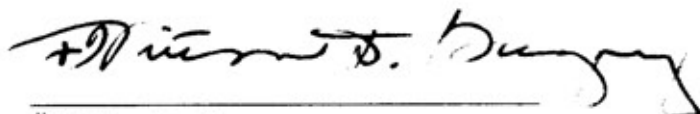
And whereas the Apostolic See has granted the faculty to ordinaries to permit the use of low-gluten hosts by the lay faithful; (CDF Prot. 89/78-174 98)

And whereas executive power delegated by the Apostolic See may in turn be sub-delegated, either in an individual case or for all cases; (CIC 137 §2)

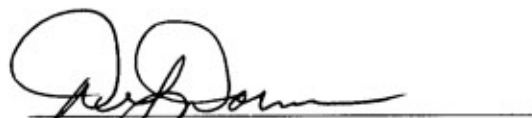
Desiring to remove all unnecessary obstacles to the reception of Holy Communion by the lay faithful who are properly disposed;

Now, therefore, I, Wilton Daniel Gregory, Archbishop of Atlanta, do hereby delegate to all priests of the Archdiocese of Atlanta in good standing the authority to permit reception of Holy Communion confected in a low gluten host by those among the laity suffering from Celiac disease, either for a single instance or habitually. This delegated authority takes effect and may be exercised immediately upon the promulgation of this decree.

Give at Atlanta, Georgia, on the 11th day of August, 2007.



†Wilton D. Gregory,
Archbishop of Atlanta



Ecclesiastical Notary

WDG/trb