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Your Eminence/Excellency:

I was recently asked to provide a reflection on the pending execution of Keith Dewayne Nelson, who had pled guilty for crimes in Kansas City, Kansas. His execution did proceed, so I ask you to join me in praying for the repose of his soul, as well as the repose of the soul of his victim and the consolation and healing of her family.

The Catholic Mobilizing Network had asked me to record my reflection, which can be found here:  [Archbishop Naumann Message.mp4](#). If you find it to be helpful, I have also attached the script.

Thank you for all your efforts to proclaim the Gospel of Life!

Fraternally yours in Jesus, the Lord of Life,



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