



Memo

Date: December 19, 2019
To: Clergy, religious brothers and sisters, and chancery staff
From: Maureen Smith, Director, Office of Communications
Re: Phishing Email Scam Alert

Please be alert at this time of year to potential scams via email and texts.

Someone is impersonating one of our priests, asking for gift cards via a Bellsouth account. The archdiocese provides emails to priests with an archatl.com extension. Priests will never solicit donations, especially in gift card form, using emails or text messages.

If you receive such an email, you should not respond. Scams such as these abound at this time of year.

For additional tips on how to avoid potential scams, please read [this story](#) published on *The Georgia Bulletin* in November.