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Dear Franklyn,

I merely wanted to confirm what we agreed to at our meeting with the Archbishop on 1/29/97. It seemed to be a profitable meeting. I was pleased to hear you acknowledge that you do reflect on your actions and are beginning to realize and accept that each has consequences.

The Archbishop was clear in pointing out that the insurance risk for your conduct is totally an Archdiocesan responsibility. He stated that the only time he would be willing to risk was when a person developed a certain amount of self knowledge together with the recognition that amending one's ways was absolutely essential.

It was agreed upon that you could continue to do help-out ministry as in the past in the Rubicon area. You are required to continue to see Dr. Marlene Trachsel weekly, as well as report to Tom McGuine, your monitor, monthly. It is presumed you will continue to make progress and when you begin to see your therapist only once weekly, at that time you will also join "group". You were encouraged to develop a circle of mature friends, people who are not lonely or angry, who can give you appropriate feedback.

I hope you felt the meeting was as productive as I did. You cleared away a lot of suspicion in your relationship with the diocese and the Archbishop. Continue to make progress and work on those homilies.

Prayerfully,

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