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Rev. William F. Murphy,
Archdiocese of Boston,
2121 Commonwealth Ave.,
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Dear Father Murphy,

Re: Reclassification

After leaving your office on Thursday, February 4th, 1999, I was thinking of my responsibilities to Father Lucien Loiselle with whom I have lived for the past five years. As I mentioned to you, I would not have had a rectory to live in - if Father Loiselle had not invited me to come here. My coming to this parish had been suggested by Father James J. McCarthy of the Personnel Office.

Father Loiselle will be celebrating his 50th Anniversary as a priest in May. The parish is planning a celebration for him at that time. The Parish is also in the process of possibly becoming a Mission of St. Theresa's Parish here in Dracut. This is the talk at the collaborative meetings.

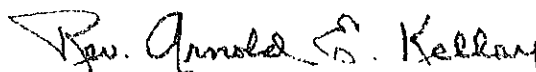
As I mentioned to you:

- I cover Lowell General Hospital for Father Loiselle for one day/night a month. Father Loiselle has difficulty driving at night.
- I offer a Saturday evening Mass for him and a Sunday morning Mass for him. It would be very difficult for him to offer these additional Masses each weekend. As it is - when he comes in from his own Masses - he is breathing heavily.
- I also offer Mass with a Marian Devotion once a month - at the request of Father Loiselle.
- At the request of Bishop McNamara - I offer a Sunday Mass at St. Patrick's in Groveland. My classmate Father Bob Gosselin has the beginnings of Parkinson's disease.
- Again, at the suggestion of Bishop McNamara, I also offer five Masses a week at Elderly Housing Complexes in Lowell. In these five years we have given Bishop McNamara \$14,000. for the support of his office and now for the continuing renovations of his new home, the former St. Peter's Rectory.

In view of these responsibilities - I wonder if I should make a move immediately. Naturally, I will do whatever you suggest. Perhaps I should wait to see how Father Loiselle's situation will be resolved. At this point he is in comparatively good health. He does have a problem breathing and uses an inhaler and medication. He does well with his present responsibilities but he cannot take on any more responsibilities.

Thanking you for your caring for me as a priest, I remain

Respectfully yours,



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