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The Most Rev. Thomas C. Kelly, O.P.
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Dear Archbishop Kelly,

Greetings in the joy of Easter. I hope this finds you well. I am a bit tardy in my annual activities report. My apologies! A copy of this report will also be sent to Fr. Jenkins along with my continued progress report of recovery requested in our new three-year plan.

The Ursuline Community: I continue to assist Fr. Merkt with the pastoral care of the Ursuline Community. This has been a great joy for me and spiritually up-lifting. What a wonderful community! The sisters have asked me to conduct and direct their annual, three-day retreat scheduled for the end of this month. I am humbled, flattered by the invitation, and yes, quite nervous about it! When I look into their faces, I can't help but see holiness, dedication, and love from their years of ministry. I find myself in awe. The Sisters of Charity at Nazareth still call me on occasions too (although not as often as I would like). I must say, I have learned a great deal about religious communities in the past years.

DES and REACT: At first just a hobby, now amateur radio has become a means to serve the at-large community in a special way. I have enclosed a copy of a letter that the Passionist Community received from Disaster and Emergency services for Louisville and Jefferson County (DES) this past week. This came as quite a surprise to me and I am very pleased that the monastery has been so recognized. I have helped establish one night a week as a night of prayer in which amateur operators can share and voice prayer needs. Because of a new link in Toledo, Ohio, we are now able to reach ships on the Great Lakes for prayer time. (REACT stands for Radio Emergency Associated Communications Teams.) Along in that same area, I have taken computer training and have become proficient.

Louisville/Jefferson County Board of Health: I continue to serve on the Methadone Treatment Advisory Committee. Methadone is legally used in the treatment of opiate based addiction. The treatment is now moving towards complete, drug-free goals for

clients. The Advisory Committee consists of representatives from police departments, corrections, mental and health care professionals. I am the only clergy on the advisory committee. I believe my own experience with addiction, recovery program, and my continued support for drug-free goals has been of assistance in this controversial program.

GLCOSHA: The Greater Louisville Council On Sexual Health & Addiction is still going strong and I continue to serve as a founding member and secretary. We are currently working on programs for HIV/AIDS education, relationship abuse (our program is currently being used in private and public schools), and addictions education. I am on a committee for a spring conference dealing with professionals reporting sexual abuse and their relationship with clients as a result of reporting. The morning session will be devoted to child abuse and the afternoon to adult abuse and domestic violence. Our moderator will be a Circuit Court judge and the panel composed of various agencies and legal professionals.

Recovering Community: I am currently sponsoring sixteen recovering people with addictions and three who are still working towards recovery. This involves weekly and, in some cases, daily/nightly check-ins along with one-on-one spiritual direction and counseling. I also visit them in hospitals and nursing homes. I continue to work closely with John Maloney on a couple of cases. My future agenda will hopefully include additional training in the pastoral care of HIV/AIDS patients.

Priest Support Group: Our group remains active and a wonderful source of spiritual and emotional strength. We have grown a great deal together and our members committed to each other and our individual healthiness. We are very fortunate to have this group in our Archdiocese and I, especially, remain deeply grateful for your assistance in starting it. (I'm still active in my regular support group as well.)

Tribunal: There has not been a whole lot of work for me in the past couple of months with the Tribunal since second instance cases were changed to the 'round robin' with other Diocese. However, after calling in today, I found I have work waiting on me. I am very pleased to be of assistance in this special ministry of healing and renewal.

Region VI: I continue to be the alternate for my Region and have worked with Fr. Chandler on our regional agenda.

Monastery: I help as much as I can. There are physical

limitations now but I can still repair electrical plugs, fix radios and alarm clocks, and change light bulbs. I have also assisted in maintaining their computers and software.

My Own Recovery: I continue to work with Dr. Bob O'Connor and maintain my 12 step program in addition to the support groups. A more detailed report will be sent to Fr. Jenkins as our new three-year plan calls for. My last heart attack and subsequent surgery has taken some toll. I am still experiencing physical limitations along with long and short term memory. In addition, there are times of confusion and slight disorientation. Dr. O'Connor is aware of these difficulties and continues to work with me on them.

I'm not a hundred percent from my last surgery but keep myself very busy and, as you can see, continue to be rather wordy in writing. You are in my daily prayers along with all my brother priests. I look forward to our up-coming Assembly and seeing everyone again. I believe it is one of our most significant and supportive events in our Archdiocese. Thank you - I can't say that enough!

Your servant,



Fr. Daniel C. Clark

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