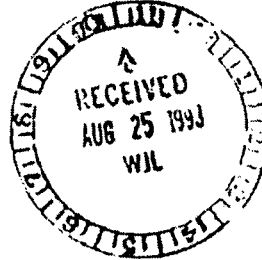


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**MEMORANDUM**

**TO :** Reverend William J. Lynn  
Secretary for Clergy

**FROM:** Reverend Monsignor Edward P. Cullen *EPC*  
Vicar for Administration

**RE :** Petition from Parishioners of Saint Therese of the Child  
Jesus Parish

**DATE:** August 24, 1993

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Bill, I shared with Cardinal Bevilacqua the fact that a petition was sent and what it contained. Cardinal Bevilacqua responded by saying that the Regional Vicar should handle this matter. Monsignor Devlin should note that Father Avery resigned (if, in fact, you have his letter of resignation) and that the fundamental reason for his resignation is related to his health. Cardinal Bevilacqua further thought it would be helpful if Monsignor Devlin had a letter from Father Avery, other than his letter of resignation, which would be addressed to the parishioners thanking them for their support and indicating that his decision to resign was essential for his health. Other sentiments of his appreciation of the parishioners' support would be helpful to soften for them the reality that another priest will be assigned as their pastor.

Would you handle the implementation of Cardinal Bevilacqua's guidelines.

Many thanks.

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cc: Rev. Msgr. James E. Molloy  
Assistant Vicar for Administration

*P.S. It would be helpful if Charles could go to the parish this coming week end. EPC.*

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