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Theological College 401 MICHIGAN AVE., N. E. WASHINGTON 17, D. C.

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Witnessed: John PM & Cormick, S.S.

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Witnessed: John PM& Domick, S.S.

JK 12929

Reverend Thomas P. Adamson Byron, Minnesota

Dear Father Adamson,

I am pleased to appoint you to be a full-time instructor at Cotter High School with residence as an assistant to Monsignor Haun at St. Casimir's Church in Winona, effective at noon on June 13.

Since Monsignor Haun will be absent on a vacation beginning on June 17 and until August 14, you will be in charge of St. Casimir's Parish. Beginning with September you will be engaged in full-time services as a teacher at Cotter High School and to assist in any extra-curricular activities that may be assigned to you. I am sure that you will be most faithful in the performance of these obligations as a teacher which is so important for the proper formation of the Catholic youth in Winona.

You will have residence at St. Casimir's rectory as an assistant to Monsignor Haun whom you will assist in the religious work of the parish, particularly on weekends, but insofar as such duties do not conflict with your responsibilities as a teacher at Cotter.

I am enclosing a statement certifying to the civil authorities of the State that you are authorized to assist at marriages. You should take this document to any Clerk of Court in the State and register with him before you become eligible to assist at marriages in the State of Minnesota.

You are also reminded of Diocesan Statute No. 30 which requires that you have a Last Will and Testament prepared, and deposit it at the Chancery before September 1.

I pray that God may bless you as you begin your priestly work in the Diocese of Winona that you may be most zealous and faithful in the performance of your duties as a teacher at Cotter and as an assistant to Monsignor Haun.

With kindest regards and best wishes for your success, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,

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Reverend Thomas P. Adamson St. Casimir's Church Winona, Minnesota

Dear Father Adamson.

I am pleased to appoint you as Assistant Principal at St. Adrian High School and assistant to Father Glynn at St. Adrian Church, Adrian, effective as of June 16. Since Father Glynn will be leaving at that time for a European trip and you will be in charge of the parish, it will be well for you to report there promptly on Friday morning.

I am sure that you will ably carry on the work of theparish during the absence of Father Glynn and that you will continue your efficient work in school in your new assignment at St. Adrian's.

I wish to thank you for the very faithful service which you have given in the performance of your duties at Cotter High School and as assistant at St. Casimr's during the past three years. I am sure that this efficient and zeabus work will be continued in your new assignment at St. Adrian's.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Bishop of Winona

cc: Msgr. Haun Father Glynn

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Dear Father Adamson.

Owing to the ill health and confinement to the hospital of Father Britz of Mapleton I am herewith appointing you to be administrator pro tem of St. Teresa Church at Mapleton effective June 6.

You will provide for the Mass "pro populo" when specified during the time you will be there. You are also authorized to sign the necessary checks to pay parish accounts and to pay the substitute who will have provided for the parish until your arrival there.

You will be entitled to compensation of \$100 a month from the parish including transportation expenses during the time that you will be in charge. Lourdes High School will be excused from compensation for you during the time that you will be at Mapleton.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Bishop of Winona

cc: Father Leary

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Reverend Thomas P. Adamson St. Teresa Church Mapleton, Minnesota

Dear Father Adamson,

I am pleased to hear that you have arrived at Mapleton and will take care of the parish during the recuperation of Father Britz.

Since the illness of Monsignor O'Day makes it necessary to supply another priest to help them during the summer, I wish that you would report at St. John's on July 2 to assist in caring for the parish. You can arrange with the other priests there for your customary vacation before school opens in September.

With best wishes, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Bishop of Winona

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Reverend Thomas P. Adamson Lourdes High School Center St. and Seventh Ave. N. W. Rochester, Minnesota

Dear Father Adamson,

I herewith appoint you to be Superintendent of the Catholic schools of St. Mary Grade and Loretto High in Caledonia and to assist at St. John's Church, Caledonia, effective as of August 20.

You will have residence at St. John's Rectory, but you will receive your salary of \$75 a month from the school treasury. You will also be entitled to \$25 a month additional compensation to cover expenses incurred for transportation in supplying the spiritual needs of St. Nicholas Church, Freeburg, on Sundays and First Fridays.

I wish to congratulate you on your efficient work particularly in teaching in the schools of Gotter, Lourdes and St. Adrian High Schools.

You will present your credentials to the School Board of the Catholic schools and work out with them the budget needs for the coming year as you will be responsible for the financial and educational program under the direction of the Board of Education which includes the pastors of the two parishes and a lay trustee from each parish.

With prayers for your success, I remain

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Sincerely yours in Christ,

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Bishop of Winona

JK 646

P.S. You will be free from your assignment at St. John's in order to take your customary vacation after July 28.

cc: Msgr. Alfred L. Frisch Rev. Thaddeus Derezinski Diocese 108

Reverend Thomas P. Adamson St. John the Baptist Church Caledonia, Minnesota

Dear Father Adamson,

Owing to the fact that Father Glynn has been transferred from the Caledonia Deanery, I am herewith appointing you to serve in his place as the Moderator of the Caledonia Deanery of the Council of Catholic Men. I the Caledonia Deanery of the council of Catholic Men. I hope that you will be able to effectively organize this Council in that Deanery which includes the parishes of Caledonia, Freeburg, Hokah, Brownsville, La Crescent and Dakota.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Bishop of Winona

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November 25, 1964

Reverend Thomas P. Adamson Loretto High School Caledonia, Minnesota

Dear Father Adamson,

In accordance with your request I am herewith transferring you from your position at Loretto of Caledonia to be assistant principal at Lourdes High School, Rochester, effective as of Monday, November 30.

You will reside with Father Leary at Lourdes rectory and carry on whatever duties he may assign you in the school.

With prayers for your health, and wishing you many blessings, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Bishop of Winona

cc: Father Donald Leary

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Dear Father Adamson,

I am pleased to continue your appointment as assistant administrator of Lourdes High School, Rochester, under the direction of Father McCauley who has been appointed administrative director thereof.

You will livewith him at Lourdes rectory and cooperate with him fully in the administration and development of the educational program of Lourdes. You will also receive your assignments from him in regard to Mass in the convent or other necessary assignments.

I have informed Father McCauley that you will be entitled to an annual stipend of \$1,200 from Lourdes High School which includes your automobile expenses incurred for ordinary duties.

With kindest regards, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Bishop of Winona

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Dear Father Adamson,

I have at hand your letter of May 6 requesting permission to take courses in Guidance and Counseling at the Graduate School of the University of Minnesota this summer from June 13 to July 16.

I herewith grant you this permission but with the request that you arrange to make a private retreat sometime during the summer since your summer school will conflict with the diocesan retreat here. f

I shall write the Chancery requesting permission for you to attend the University and also your offer to serve as chaplain for the Little Sisters of the Poor during that time with the exception that I request that you provide for weekend coverage at St. Clement's Church in Hammond to which I have appointed you as administrator.

Wishing you many blessings and requesting that you send to the Chancery a statement of your summer session expenses at the University, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Bishop of Winona

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Dear Father Adamson,

I am pleased to appoint you to serve as administrator of St. Clement's Church at Hammond effective as of June 8 addition to your duteis at Lourdes High School.

You will be entitled to compensation from Lourdes High School and also additional compensation of \$75.00 a month, which includes travel expenses, from St. Clement's Church at Hammond. The parish will also pay to Lourdes High School \$100.00 per month as compensation for your board and room.

Wishing you many blessings in fulfilling both these obligations without impairing your efficiency in the school which is your first responsibility, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Bishop of Winona

cc: Father McCauley

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May 10, 1966

His Excellency
The Most Reverend Leo Binz, S.T.D.
Archbishop of St. Paul
226 Summit Avenue
St. Paul, Minnesota

Dear Archbishop Binz,

Father Thomas Adamson, a priest of this Diocese and presently an instructor at Lourdes High School in Rochester, desires to attend the University of Minnesota June 13 to July 16 as he did last year. He is willing to serve as chaplain at the convent of the Little Sisters of the Poor during that time as he did last wummer, but he will not be able to provide Mass on weekends because he has been assigned the administration of the parish of St. Clement at Hammond in this Diocese.

If his attendance at the University and this assignment is satisfactory, I will be pleased if you will grant him faculties.

I also believe that I will have another priest, Father Leroy Eikens, who has been assigned as associate pastor at St. Francis in Rochester, in attendance at the University July 18 to August 20. I am sure that he would be pleased to serve the Sisters in the same capacity as Father Adamson if such is agreeable to you.

Awaiting word from you, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Bishop of Winona

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## ARCHDIOCESE OF SAINT PAUL

226 Summit Avenue Saint Paul, Minnesota 55102

The Chancery

May 13, 1966

His Excellency
The Most Reverend Edward A. Fitzgerald, D.D.
Bishop of Winona
275 Harriet Street
Winona, Minnesota

Most Reverend and dear Bishop,

I have for attention your letter to Archbishop Binz under date of May 10, 1966.

In the letter you ask that two of your priests, Father Thomas Adamson and Father Leroy Eikens, be permitted to serve as chaplains at the Convent of the Little Sisters of the Poor while they attend summer classes at the University.

I spoke with Father Gerrard, S.J. this morning. He is a Jesuit and has been acting as chaplain at the Convent this year, but he will leave this summer. On his own he has been negotiating for a replacement at the Convent this summer and has succeeded in finding two possible candidates.

After having discussed the situation, we arrived at the following conclusion. The two Winona priests could live at the Convent, in the Chaplain's quarters, during their successive quarters at the University. We must presume that these men will be available for daily Mass and that they will leave for their week end assignments in the diocese of Winona no earlier than after the Friday morning Mass. Thus, they will be available for the Sisters' Mass from Monday through Friday.

One of the anticipated Jesuits would live at the Parish of St. Anthony of Padua in Minneapolis and will cover the week ends at the Convent for the two Winona priests in turn.

If these arrangements are satisfactory to you we shall look forward to having Father Adamson and Father Eikens stay with the Little Sisters of the Poor from June 13 to August 20. We must be able to count on their availability for the Convent Mass every day except Saturday and Sunday.

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Finally, may we ask that you have these priests write to this Chancery a few days before they arrive and the faculties of the Archdiocese will be granted them.

With cordial best wishes, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Rev. Terrance W. Berntson

Terrance W. Berntson

Vice-Chancellor



May 16, 1966

Most Reverend Edward A. Fitzgerald, D.D. Bishop of Winona 275 Harriet Street Winona, Minnesota

Most Reverend and dear Bishop,

I wish to thank you for appointing me to serve as administrator of St. Clement's Church at Hammond. I will do my best to give them faithful service. I am also happy to be continuing my assignment at Lourdes High School.

I also thank you for allowing mer to return to the University of Minnesota for one of the summer sessions. I have the letter which you forwarded from Rev. Terrance Bernston of the Archdiocese of Saint Paul. The arrangement is satisfactory with me and I will plan to cover all weekday Masses at the Convent of the Little Sisters of the Poor from June 14 to July 15 inclusive. I will also give this information to Reverend Father Bernston.

I will make my annual retreat just before or just after the session at the University. I will inform you of the details when they become definite.

Obediently yours in Christ,

Rev. Thomas P. Adamson

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Reverend Terrance W. Berntson Vice Chancellor 226 Summit Avenue St. Paul, Minnesota

Dear Father Berntson,

I have received word from Fathers Adamson and Eikens that they are pleased to accept the assignment to provide spiritual care for the Litter Sisters of the Poor and to reside at their convent in St. Paul during the summer sessions at the University of Minnesota. They have been notified to report at the Chancery to obtain the necessary faculties.

As I stated in my letter, Father Adamson will be available June 13 to July 16, excepting weekends, and Father Eikens will be available July 18 until August 20, with the exception of weekends.

Thanking you for this courtesy, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Bishop of Winona

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## ARCHDIOCESE OF SAINT PAUL

Saint Paul, Minnesota 55102

The Chancery

May 27, 1966

His Excellency
The Most Reverend Edward A. Fitzgerald, D.D.
Bishop of Winona
275 Harriet Street
Winona, Minnesota 55987

Most Reverend and dear Bishop,

I thank you kindly for your letter of May 27, regarding the final arrangements for the summer residence of Fathers Adamson and Eikens.

Our plans have been finalized and we are looking forward to the appearance of these priests at the Chancery where they may receive their faculties.

With cordial best wishes, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Rev. Terrance W. Berntson

Vice-Chancellor

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## Little Sisters of the Poor

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June 20, 1966

Most Rev. Edward A. Fitzgerald, D.D. 275 Harriet Street Winona, Minnesota

Most Reverend and Dear Bishop,

Enclosed please find a duplicate fee receipt indicating that I have paid a total of \$70.50 for tuition and fees for summer courses in counseling at the University of Minnesota.

I would like to thank you again for allowing me to take these courses and for helping with the costs,

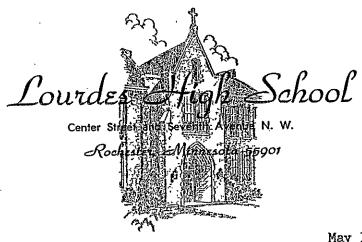
Obediently yours in Christ,

Rev. Thomas P. Adamson

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May 12, 1967

Most Reverend Edward A. Fitzgerald, D.D. Bishop of Winona 275 Harriet Street Winona, Minnesota

Most Reverend and dear Bishop,

I am writing to ask if I might have permission to complete courses in Guidance and Counseling at the University of Minnesota this summer. My advisor, Dr. Wesley Tennyson, informs me that I need two more courses to reach Counslor Certification by the University of Minnesota and by the State of Minnesota. Both required courses are offered during the first summer session which runs for five weeks, Junell2 to July 15 inclusive.

I would again like to stay with the Little Sisters of the Poor and serve as their chaplain if this can be arranged.

I would be able to do the weekend work at St. Clement's in Hammond during each of these five weeks.

I will await any advice or direction you wish to give.

Obediently yours in Christ,

Rev. Thomas P. Adamson

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cc: Fr. Adamson

May 13, 1967

His Excellency
The Most Reverend Leo Binz, S.T.D.
Archbishop of St. Paul and Minneapolis
226 Summit Avenue
St. Paul, Minnesota 55102

Dear Archbishop Binz,

Father Thomas Adamson, assistant director of Lourdes High School, Rochester, has requested permission to return to the University of Minnesota for the summer session in order to complete some necessary courses to qualify as a certified counselor for schools in the state of Minnesota. Last summer he resided with the Little Sisters of the Poor and served as chaplain each weekday.

I will appreciate your approval of this assignment and the granting of faculties to Father Adamson during the time that he may be in attendance at the University.

Thanking you for this courtesy, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Bishop of Winona

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Dear Father Adamson,

In making appointments for the coming year I desire to transfer you from Lourdes High School and St. Clement's of Hammond to be associate pastor at the Church of St. Theodore, Albert Lea, effective of June 15. This will mean that you will not be able to attend the summer session at the University of Minnesota since you will be replacing Father Verdick who will leave for the Latin America missions at that time. I am sure that you will be able to arrange with Father Perrizo for your customary vacation at a time convenient to him and the parish.

Your duties at St. Theodore's will be that of associate pastor, your pastoral work to include interest in activities and instructions to the Catholic students at Lea College as well as to teach a formal class in Catholic Theology at Lea College if you are invited. In addition to that, you will help with the actual parochial activities of that parish.

Any compensation that you might receive from the college for instruction purposes should be paid by the college directly to the Church of St. Theodore which will be responsible for the financial payments to you including, for the coming year, \$145.00 a month cash including the \$50 allowed for car expense, the customary diocesan hospitalization fee of \$75, the payment to the Clerical Association priests pension fund, living accommodations and facilities as well as an allowance of \$200 for the year toward the payment of the Social Security tax if you are enrolled therein.

I will be happy to visit with you during the retreat in June before you take up your duties at Albert Lea.

With prayers for a successful apostolate, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,

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Bishop of Winona

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May 26, 1967

Most Reverend Edward A. Fitzgerald, D.D. Bishop of Winona 275 Harriet Street Winona, Minnesota

Most Reverend and dear Bishop,

I wish to acknowledge and thank you for appointing me to be associate pastor of St. Theodore's in Albert Lea. I look forward to working with Father Perrizo and the parishioners at St. Theodore's. Also, I welcome the challenge to do some work with students on the college level.

According to your directives I will turn all the records of St. Clement's Church of Hammond over to Father Edgar Schaefer. I will present him with a report of the financial status of the parish as of June 15 and will forward a copy to Your Excellency. We have completed the interior paneling and painting of the church which was begun during Father Woodford's pastorate but it had not been completed. We established a separate fund for this purpose and all bills have been paid. It has been a good experience serving this parish.

I do not know how important it is for your office to have a record of my summer work at the University of Minnesota the past two summers. Since I do not know of any records having been sent, I enclose official transcripts for your files.

I can sincerely say that I have enjoyed every aspect of my work at Lourdes High School, whether administration, classroom teaching, working with the new city school board, etc. I have been especially happy in being able to work with men of the caliber of Father Leary and Father McCauley.

Again I thank you and offer my prayers for your continued success as our Bishop.

Obediently yours in Christ,

Rev. Thomas P. Adamson

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Reverend Thomas P. Adamson St. Theodore Church Albert Lea, Minnesota 56007

Dear Father Adamson,

I am pleased to appoint you as administrator, with residentce at St. Lawrence Parish of Fountain and to have charge of the parish of St. Kilian at Wykoff effective as of August 14. I also appoint you to assist Monsignor Coleman in the apostolate for the People of God at St Mary's Church in Chatfield.

I am sure that you will cooperate with him in the same effective manner that you have served the Church since your ordination in 1958.

With prayers for your continued success in the priestly apostolate, I beg to remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Bishop of Winona

cc: Rev. Albert T. Perrizo

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315 E. CLARK STREET · ALBERT LEA, MINNESOTA

July 16, 1968

Most Reverend Edward A. Fitzgerald, D.D. 275 Harriet Street Winona, Minnesota

Most Reverend and dear Bishop,

I am very pleased to accept the appointment to serve the parishes of St. Lawrence at Fountain and St. Kilian at Wykoff. I will also be glad to help Monsignor Coleman in Chatfield.

This has been a profitable and happy year in Albert Lea. I think Father Perrizo and Father Winkels are among the finest priests one could ever work with. I think I have learned a good deal from Father Perrizo because of his exceptional ability as leader and pastor.

I offer my prayers for your continued success as our Bishop in the Diocese of Winona.

Obediently yours in Christ,

(Rev.) Thomas P. Adamson

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December 12, 1970

Reverend Thomas P. Adamson St. Lawrence O'Toole Church Fountain, Minnesota

Dear Father Adamson,

I am pleased to appoint you pastor of St. Patrick's Parish, Lanesboro, effective January 5. I commit to you the full care of souls of that parish with all faculties, duties, rights and privileges according to the Code of Canon Law and our diocesan statutes. Your appointment will be effective on January 5, 1971.

I am sure that you will be able to arrange your work so as to give proper attention to the spiritual needs of the people of St. Patrick's along with caring for the people of Fountain and Wykoff. I know also that you will be able to administer the financial affairs of the parish.

I wish at this time to thank you for your wonderful priestly work exercised in all assignments you have held. I know that you will continue to lead the People of God of Fountain and Wykoff in the profession of their Faith and will also be able to give like attention to the people of Lanesboro.

With kindest personal greetings and a request fof your prayers, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Bishop of Winona

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Reverend Thomas P. Adamson St. Lawrence O'Toole Church Fountain, Minnesota

Dear Father Adamson,

I am pleased to appoint you to the pastorate of St. Francis of Assisi Church, Rochester, effective June 24, 1971. I commit to you the full care of souls in this parish with all the faculties, duties, rights, and privileges according to the Code of Canon Law and our diocesan statutes.

ments with Monsignor Raymond Jansen, Dean of the Rochester Deanery, for your formal installation as pastor. This ceremony, described in our diocesan statutes, should take place as soon as possible after your arrival in your new parish. I shall enclose the documents for your Profession of Faith and Oath Against Modernism which should be taken before or during your installation as pastor. I shall also enclose the document showing your official possession of the parish. After your installation, please send these documents to our Chancery at your earliest convenience.

I commend you, Father Adamson, for your care of the people of the parishes of Fountain, Wykoff, and Lanesboro. I know that they have advanced closer to the Kingdom of God under your leadership. I hope and pray that your ministry will be as effective in drawing the people of St. Francis Parish closer to God.

In a special way I commend to your pastoral care the St. Francis School and the work of Lourdes High School which have given quality education to the children and young people of St. Francis Parish and of all Rochester. The Diocesan Board of Education in its review of all schools has stated that they play a most important role in the parish and community.

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Reverend Thomas P. Adamson Juna 15, 1971 Page two

with kindest personal greetings and asking a remembrance in your good prayers, I remain

Fraternally yours in Christ,

Bishop of Winona

cc: Magr. Raymond J. Jansen

You have already received the financial report forms for your parishes. Kindly close the books in your parishes and give a complete financial report for July 1, 1970 to June 20, 1971. Send the Chancery copy to this office and leave the parish copy in the parish files.

I also ask that you sign and date the enclosed form of resignation and return it to this office.

## St. Lawrence O'Toole Church

Box 77 FOUNTAIN, MINNESOTA 55935

June 21, 1971

Most Reverend Loras J. Watters Bishop of Winona Box 588 Winona, Minnesota

Dear Bishop Watters,

I am pleased to accept your appointment to the pastorate of St. Francis Church at Rochester. I enclosed the signed form of resignation of the parishes at Fountain, Wykoff, and Lanesboro.

I am grateful and humble for the confidence you and the Personnel Board place in me in asking that I assume the work at St. Francis Church. With God's help I will try to do good work in that parish.

Sincerely in Christ,

(Rev.) Thomas P. Adamson

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His Excellency The Most Reverend Loras J. Watters, D. D. Bishop of Winona Winona, Minnesota

Your Excellency:

I herewith resign my pastorate at St. Lawrence O'Toole, Fountain, St. Kilian, Wykoff, and St. Patrick's,  Lanesboro to be
effective June 24, 1971 and accept the pastorate
of St. Francis of Assisi Church, Rochester
I will report at my new assignment on

Faithfully yours in Christ,

Date June 2/197/

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Psychological evaluation requested by Francis L. myce, M.D. \$35.00 for Fr. Thomas Ademson.

Submitted by

Jehn R. Hawkinson, Ph.D.
730 Nerthern Heights Dei-730 Nerthern Heights Drive Rechester, Minnesets

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MINUTES OF THE 81st MEETING OF THE PERSONNEL BOARD, DIOCESE OF WINDHA

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Trocinski at 12:29 1/2 p.m., May 20, 1974 et St. John's in Hochester. Bishop Watters led us in prayer. All members present. Monsignor Edward Klein came at 12:54 p.m.

East and may have to be replaced at St. Francis. Jin Russell is available to go to St. Francis or replace the one who would go there.

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State of Minnesota ROCHESTER STATE HOSPITAL 2110 EAST CENTER STREET ROCHESTER, MINNESOTA 55901 Dear Bishop. In will be plenard to Know That arrangements have been completed. and I adams on will ente the historial of leveris a Time 4th I have discussed the with I adams and he is in giverned. I told the Medical December Tel. of sten have do write do you to mark The serate & Confrata trat. 9 enclose De John Hasterman: brûl Ju ste psychological desting, and this and on record soll Keep " g Lype The sherm and well said please call on me at any dime of of frek I can be of help. your succeed, PLAINTIFF'S EXHIBIT Francis A- Tyce 33 JK 656 62-C9-06-0003962

Dr. Istiyce

400 Washington St. Hartford, Ct. 06101 June 8, 1974

Dear Bishop Watters,

As I promised I am sending a note from Hartford to describe a bit some of the things which have transpired during the first week here.

Everything has gone fairly well. The establishment is 152 years old and presently has about 400 residents. I guess the most surprising thing for me is the age of the persons receiving care here. The great majority of them are in their late teens or early 20's. Some of the buildings are rather old but are well-kent and the grounds are apacious: I am not trying to be facetious when I say that many of the regulations remind me of the seminary in the "ol' days": Even the main building looks a bit like dashington's T.C.

The first days were filled with routine psychological and physical tests. I guess this is the most complete physical exam I ever have had in my life.

My chief doctor is John J. Curran. I have had several sessions with him already. I think he knows what he is doing and I have a lot of respect for him. I have not had a personal visit with the Catholke Chaplain, Father John Kiely, but I will do so soon.

There are plenty of activities - cultural, recreational, athletic, social, spiritual. Yet there is plenty of time to rest, to read, to pray and to think.

There are so many things I could write about, some very humorous and some very serious. The essentials seem to be that I am here, that I am cooperating, and that I think that it all will be helpful.

In our Lord,

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400 Washington St. Hartford, Conn. 06106 June 27, 1974

Dear Bishop Watters,

I thought I would take time to express a few more of my thoughts to you following our phone conversation this morning.

Some of it will merely be a review or summary of the things we discussed last week. Besides, I need to tell someone. It is so hard to talk with anyone here. I can't really involve the pshcy hard to talk with anyone here. I can't really involve the pshcy aids or the other patients in my personal problems. I am so very aids or the other patients in my personal problems. I am so very cratefull for your willingness to listen and for your kindnesses last week.

The spiritual void remains one of my big objections to this place. They simply are not as interested in this aspect as I am. I am faithful to Office, rosary, Scripture, etc. but that isn't enough. In the very beginning it seemed that my problems isn't enough spiritual as psychological and I have not changed in that thinking.

The tight security or lack of freedom wears on me. So many come here not having been able to function at all on the outside. But for me it is so different. To be locked up during the therapy instead of being free and responsible might be morethan I can handle. The almost complete surrender of one; life and decisions to someone the is somthing I am not prepared for. I don't know what this does to one's idenity, personality or whatever.

The persons I live with remain a problem. Most of them are coming off the drug scene. This morning there was a hospital-wide patient-staff meeting and it all concerped the sneaking in of grass and drugs and the question of reportingon one another. Several of and drugs are very content here. Some are committed and have no the patients are very content here. Some are committed and have no choice. The lone-range indefinite program is troublesome for me. The day-long vulgarity and efforts to be amateur psychologists works on me. Or of the matie mts, age 33, was on a home visit until Thursday but he returned Tuesday because things were so boring at home.

while at home: the bed check everytwo hours thru the night when they shine a flashlight at you to see if you are still alive. The silence during meals. The infrequency of visits with one's doctor. The fact that hospital people obviously believe in hospitals and so have answers thought out for everything. The expense. To share one have answers thought out for everything. The expense. To share one is to watch the cartoons on Saturday afternoon than the U.S. Open. I to watch the cartoons on Saturday afternoon than the U.S. Open. I am the ONLY one of the patients on this unit who cares about and and the open the evening news. The little rules - if coffee cups are left around then no corfee or snacks at all the next day. The fact that the classes and social life is in no way geared to a priest and might even be detremental (in some of my judgement). I have some fears of getting involved in one of the many fist fights even though I would never want to.

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I realize I am pressing a bit and rationalizing some. But it is almost three months now that I have been thinking over my problems almost around the clock. I have thought and prayed. About the main thing I know rithinow is that I don't know how I chose to come to this place and that I can't take it much longer.

I know that there can nver be a recurrance of the problem I had this spring. I don't want to be in a place like this again Never! I also am keenly aware of the possibility of an automatic suspension if there is a recurrance and that says a lot tome.

In addition to my visits with you, I had some other good visits while home. By time with Father Jansen was helpful. I called my close friend Father Loves and talked about it all with him. This was very difficult since we had never said a word prior to that visit. I think it will be helpful and I feel like I can now talk with him again. Also, I said some things to Father Verdick.

I feel a little bit down and out although I have tried hard. I would really like to function as a priest.

Thank you again for all your time, kindness, and understanining.

I am sorry to take up so much of your time.

I will be in contact. It looks like I will come home when my doctor leaves for vacction the weekend of July 5th. The things they do to try to get any of the patients to stay when they ask to sign out is freightening.

In Our Lord,

I would hope that some kind of reasonable program could be arranged with the Consultation Services Center and Father Pierre although I know how opposed the hospital officials will be to it.

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I thought I should write again to keep you posted or to update what is happening here in Hartford. In general I think my attitude is quite a bit better and I am not nearly so negative as I was a week or two ago. I am cooperating with the substitute dootor as best I can and I am attening all of the group projects and activities which are recommended.

One of the significant changes is that I am now able to offer Holy Mass each day. I am very grateful and appreciate each experience. I guess this is another of those important things in one's life which had come to be taken for granted. I go to St. Augustine Church which is less than 3 blocks away. The pastor, Fr. Patrick Speer, says they have between 4 and 5 thousand families but judges that about only 30 - 50% attend weekend Masses on a regular basis. He and his associates have been most kind to me. They also have a permanent deacon named Mike O'Toole who is soon to be transferring to St. Lawrence O'Toole Church here in Hartford. The only other thing I notice is that the church probably has more votive lights and vigil light stands than there are in the entire diocese of Winons.

My interim doctorn is named Thomas Hill. He is all business and we touch on a lot of things about once life in addition to present problems. He has stimulated some good thought for me.

Physically I am in good shape and health. I continue to lose a bit of weight but this is fine with me. I play tennis and swim practically everyday. I guess golf is another of those things in my life which has proven to be not so important after all! I ever touched a golf club during the entire month of June!

I continue to move thru a lot of books and reading materials. I have even caught up on all the hadouts of the liturgy commission, the education office, and the chancery office which have been piling up for awhile. Among the better full length books I have Eotten thru already are the latest Francis of Assisi by John Holland Smith and Karl Menninger's Whatever Became of Sin. I am presently about halfway thru Solzhenitsyn's Gulag Archipelago. I don't havemuch experience recommending books to Bishops, but you would probably find this work fascinating and unbelieveable - at least I am.

I walked to Trinity College the other day which is only a couple of blocks from here. It is an Episcopal school with a very beautiful campus. You can't imagine how much better it is to take a walk "outside the walls" in deference to walking "inside they walls".

Things seem settled and in good order at Rocheste's St. Francis. Summer work progresses on schedule. The only concern is whether to replace the boiler and pipe work in the junior high building but this decision can wait. The piping in that building is all under the basment floor and leaks are arising each year which means digging thru the floor and making repairs, etc. An awful mess. The Woodruff Co. will give us a new boiler (approximately \$2100) and chalk it up to advertising. But redoing all the pipe work and puting it above the ground leverl would be approximately six to seven thousand dollars!. The decision will wait awhile and we will get competent advice. I think I fileed the music position at the grade school. I had a fine interview with a Janis Zenk from Fairmont and a recent graduate of Viterbo College.

My next scheduled home visit is the last wekend of July. I will keep in touch.

Kinily keep me in your prayers.

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In our Lord, Effer Colar Som

PERSONNEL BOARD

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman at 12:40 p.m. on Monday, December 9, 1974, at the Church of Saint Pius X (Founders Hall). Bishop Watters opened the meeting by asking for the instruction of the Spirit of God in our deliberations. Father William Bertrand was absent from the meeting.

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Father Tom Adamson continues to be a concern. The report is that facts which have been rather contained over the past months are little-by-little becoming more known.

88TH MEETING (continued)

PERSONNEL BOARD DIOCESE OF WINONA



The Reverend Thomas P. Adamson, Pastor St. Francis Church Rochester, MN

Dear Father Adamson,

The grace and peace of God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you!

In our share responsibility for serving the total pastoral needs of the people of God in the diocese of Winona we are both very conscious of the many forces, culture and otherwise, which now tend to undermine family life. There are all too many clear indications that the family is being subjected to increasing pressures; these tension-causing factors either bring the family members to deeper levels of faith commitment to God and one another or all but completely destroy that basic unit of our Christian heritage.

It is because we agree that special efforts must be made to help the many husbands and wives who have a right to look to the Church for counselling which includes a consideration of the sacramentality of marriage that I am writing this letter to appoint you to this special ministry in the diocese of Winona. In order that you will be better qualified to respond to these urgent and sometimes rather complicated needs of families. I am now asking you to take up again your graduate program of studies in this important field of marriage counselling, beginning on Monday, Jan. 6th, 1975.

As you must know, the people of St. Francis are most grateful to you for your priestly and pastoral interest in them. In their name and in my own I hasten to thank you for the many ways you and the priests who worked with you during the past three and one-half years proclaimed the message of God's saving love, renewed the faith life of the parish community, and gave witness to the Lord Jesus and His presence among us by your unselfish service to others, especially the poor and the sick.

While I can appreciate how difficult it will be for you to leave St. Francis, I hasten to assure you that you will find the same wonderful cooperation and appreciative response from the many people you will help is a special way in your new pastoral ministry.

With kindes, t personal greetings, renewed gratitude for your priestly commitment, and a request for your prayers, I remain

Fraternally in the Lord Jesus,

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Bishop of Winona

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December 31, 1974

His Excellency
The Most Reverend Loras J. Watters, D. D.
Bishop of Winona
Winona, Minnesota

Your Excellency:

I herewith resign my pastorate at St. Francis of Assisi Parish, Rochester, Minnesota, to be effective January 6, 1975, and I accept your appointment to continue graduate work in marriage counselling.

I will report at my new assignment as soon as a course of studies can be arranged.

Faithfully yours in Christ,

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January 5, 1975

Most Reverend Lorss J. Watters Rishop of Winona 275 Harriet Winons, MN 55987

Dear Rishop Watters.

It has been a full month since we visited last and I am wondering about heing able to get together again. I have projects at the University to keep me busy during the month of January, plus what I do here at St. Leo's. I have agreed to eive two Marriage Encounter weekends in early February. He yourd that my schedule looks very empty.

For the most part I could meet at your convenience at any location at any time. Rocester is especially feasible since my aunt is still a patient at St. Mary's and I should vist there again. Also, my mother is having surgery at St. Mary's on Jan. 12th so I will be near for those days.

Kindly let me know if we can meet or if there have been any other developments.

Personal greetings to you.

In Our Lord,

(Rev) Thomas P. Adamson

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Diocese 127

DATE:

January 7, 1975

MEMO TO:

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FROM:

Reverend John F. Kinney

SUBJECT:

REVEREND THOMAS ADAMS Extern Diocesan Priest from Winona Dioces

He is attending the University of Minnesota

In Residence: St. Leo, St. Paul

Contact was made from Bishop Watters to Bishop Roach

here at least until 6-10-1975

put on mailing list

REV. THOMAS ADAMSON

Extern Diocesan from Winona

Attending U of M

In Residence: St. Leo, St. Paul

will be here at least until

6-10-75

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## ARCHDIOCESE OF SAINT PAUL AND MINNEAPOLIS

226 Summit Avenue Saint Paul, Minnesota 55102

The Chancery

January 7, 1975

The Most Reverend Loras J. Watters Bishop of Winona 255 Harriet Street Winona, Minnesota 55987

Dear Bishop Watters:

I met with Father Adamson and we were able to work out a good arrangement for him this past Monday. He will take up residence at the Church of Saint Leo, 820 South Cleveland Avenue, Saint Paul, Minnesota 55116. I had Father Adamson meet with Father Leo Dolan, Pastor of that Parish, and they seemed to get along very well and worked out a good arrangement. Father Adamson will assist on weekends and will also say a daily Mass and be of some other limited help during the week to Father Dolan.

I am pleased that this was able to be worked out. It is a good arrangement from both sides.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend John R. Roach, D.D.

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## DIOCESE OF WINONA 275 HARRIET STREET WINONA, MINNESOTA 55987

Office of the Bishop

Jan. 11, 1975

The Most Reverend John R. Roach, D.D. Auxiliary Bishop of St. Paul and Minneapolis 226 Summit Avenue Saint Paul, MN

Dear Bishop Roach,

The personal and prompt attention you so kindly gave to my request for some help in finding a place of residence for Reverend Thomas P. Adamson, a priest of this diocese, is deeply appreciated. Both Father Adamson and I are grateful to you and to Father Dolan for the arrangements which have been worked out; I hope and pray that they will be satisfactory to both Father Dolan and Father Adamson.

As you know, I gave Father Adamson permission to study at the University of Minnesota and requested your help with the understanding that he maintain regular contact with Father Kenneth Pierre whom he has seen with some regularity since last summer. I mention this emphasis on therapy because I think it is important that you know that it is only because I am confident that Father Adamson has made significant progress that I felt justified in asking your help.

I plan to keep in regular contact with Father Adamson; that should be rather easy with the number of meetings we have in the Cities!

With kindest personal greetings and renewed gratitude for your help with a brother priest, I remain

Fraternally in Christ

Bishop of Winona

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Jan. 12, 1975

The Reverend Leo A. Dolan, Pastor The Church of Saint Leo 820 South Cleveland Avenue Saint Paul, MN

Dear Father Dolan,

This short note is to thank you for your kindness in making it possible for the Reverend Thomas P. Adamson, a priestof this diocese, to take up residence in your rectory at St. Leo's. Both Father Adamson and I appreciate the satisfactory arrangements you have worked out for the time he will be taking his graduate work at the University of Minnesota.

I am aspecially happy that Father Adamson will have the opportunity of celebrating the Eucharistic Liturgy each day and that he will also enjoy some priestly companionship; I am confident, too, that you will find Father both pleasant and helpful.

With kindest personal greetings and a request for your prayers, I remain

Fraternally in Christ,

Bishop of Winona

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The Reverend Thomas P. Adamson The Church of Saint Leo 820 South Cleveland Avenue Saint Paul, MN

Dear Father Adamson,

Greetings in the name of the Lord Jesus!

Thank you for telephoning the other evening; I rejoice with you that you and Father Dolan were able to work out a satisfactory arrangement which includes the opportunity for the daily celebration of the Eucharistic Library. As we both know, the Lord Jesus must be the center of our priestly mhistry and life.

Bishop Roach was kind enough to write and indicate that he has extended to you the faculties of the Archdiocese; he was willing to do this partly on the basis of my assurance that you have been and will continue to be in regular contact with Father Pierre. As I recall from our conversations, you do plan to see Father Pierre about every two weeks or so, depending on his recommendations.

I hope you have found some interesting and profitable courses at the University; if the classes on Educational TV are typical, you will be involved in agreat deal of class discussion.

Here in Winona we were a bit more fortunate than you were in St. Paul as far as the storm of yesterday was concerned; we have below zero temperatures, but very little new snow. No doubt, our turn is coming.

As you perhaps already know, Monsignor Habiger has been appointed pastor of St. Francis; his years of experience in education will make it possible for him to continue the effective work you did with the school and parish.

With kindest personal greetings, a special blessing, and a request for your prayers, I remain

Fraternally in Christ,

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Diocese 131

## MINUTES OF THE 89th MEETING OF THE PERSONNEL BOARD, DIOCESE OF WINONA

Charitman Vern Trocinski called the meeting to order at 12:41 p.m., January 13, 1975, at I.H.M. Seminary, Winona. Bishop Watters led the Prayer.

Warren Ryan was absent.

2. Father Adamson is living and assisting at St. Leo's, St. Paul, and enrolled in graduate work at the U. of M.

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MONSIGNOR TIGHE: I indicated to FT. Adamson that you would sen him a salary check each mont' as well as take care of the ...ospitalization premium and the institutional" contribution to the Bureau of Priests' Retirement (he should be able to pay the priests' share). I didn't mention care allowance or SS

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2055 BOHLAND AVENUE SAINT PAUL, MINNESOTA 55116 bout them.

Jan. 13, 1975

Most Reverend Das J. Watters Box 588 Winona, Minnesota

Dear Bishop Watters,

I am writing this letter to give you a report of my schedule and activities as of this date.

I am settled here at St. Leo's and find it to be a pleasant place to live. They appreciate the help since there is but one priest and over a thousand families. So far I am taking a daily Mass and assisting on weekends. This assistance is in exchange for room, board, laundry, etc. It does not seem that I can become more involved in parish work here at the moment if I am to keep up with classes at the University.

I am enrolled in two graduate courses at the University and am trying also to arrange some independent study. The courses are entitled "The Family System" and "The Family In American Social Structure." Thus far they seem very interesting and I believe they will be practical.

I have paid my tuition and student fees for this quarter and I enclose a copy of the Fee Statement.

As I indicated to you during one of our visits, I am still intending to take a seven day vacation with some other priests of our diocese (Fathers Connelly and Bertrand and possibly others) at the end of this month. I intend to work ahead in my classwork before then and this schedule is also workable here at St. Leo's.

Finally, I am in contact with Father Kenneth Plerre and will continue to work with him.

If there are other informations you desire, I shall be happyy to try to provide them.

I thank you for your kind help and prayers.

Sincerely in our Lord.

(Rev) Thomas P. Adamson

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Diocese 133

January 25, 1975

Most Rev. John Roach Chancery Office 226 Summit Ave St. Paul, MN

Dear Bishop Roach,

This is but a brief note to thank you for your kindness in helping to find me a residence here at St. Leo's. My quarters are excellent and I especially appreciate the beautiful church as a place for offering the Eucharist each day. Father Dolan has been very kind and I hope that I can be of some help to him.

I am enrolled at the University in two graduate courses and am also working at an independent studgy. So far the courses have been rather interesting and I think they will prove practical.

May God be with you as you labor for Him and for His people.

In Our Lord,

(Rev)Thomas P. Adamson

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March 11, 1975

Most Reverend Loras J. Watters Bishop of Winona Box 588 Winona, Minnesota

Dear Bishop Watters.

It is difficult to realize how quickly time passes. Winter Quarter is coming to a close and I have just completed registration for the Spring Quarter. I enclose the Fee Statement for the upcoming quarter. The fee has increased over last quarter for two reasons: quarter. The fee has increased over last quarter for two reasons:

| J | I | am taking a slightly heavier class load | Z | An Independent Study | Which I began in Winter Quarter and which continues during Spring which I began in Winter Quarter and which continues during Spring Quarter. Quarter will have all of the credit hours listed under Spring Quarter.

Quarter classes end this week and I have but one test scheduled for the following week. I hope to have a couple of free days to spend with my family and priest friends.

All goes well at St. Leo's. In addition to the daily and weekend liturgies, I have been giving a series of talks on Wednesday evenings during Lent. Also, I have promised to help here for the Holy Week liturgies.

I think I would like to meet with you fairly soon to discuss schedules beyond the Spring Quarter. I am anxious to be back at work in the Winona Diocese. Tentatively I plan to be in the Rochester area the early part of next week and also the first couple days of holy Week. If your schedule allows, I would like to visit with you (either Winona or Rochester would be fine). Perhaps you have some other suggestions.

Personal greetings to you and my wishes for a happy St. Pat's Day and a blessed lenten season.

Sincerely in our Lord.

(Rev) Thomas P. Adamson

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