

August 1, 1974

The Rev. Patrick O'Donnell  
St. Mary's Parish  
South 304 Adams Road  
Spokane, Washington 99216

Dear Father O'Donnell:

Herewith I make official your appointment as associate pastor to Father Skylstad at Assumption Parish in Spokane. This appointment is effective Wednesday, August 21st.

I believe this assignment gives you an admirable opportunity under most favorable conditions for effective and important priestly work. You should find it a very desirable appointment, considering the people and the pastor.

I am asking that you obtain the therapy that we discussed. Most important of all, of course, is spiritual growth. I hope that you keep this much in mind.

You will please arrange to see me sometime before the end of the month.

I pray that God will make you ever more like Christ, so that He can work through you ever more effectively.

Devotedly yours in the service of Our Lady,

Bernard J. Topel  
Bishop of Spokane

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