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Dear Otto,

By God's grace I was able to earn
\$ 618 for the month of May.

I will be at St. Ritas for June, July and
August and will not require any assistance
so far as room and board are concerned.

I received a phone call from a cousin
who, with special regard for the "Marian"
year, would like to be married in late
January at Rome, Italy, preferably
St. Peters (any altar.) Do you know if
such permission is granted, and if so
how can I go about obtaining it, as
also permission and delegation to marry
in a foreign country.

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Since early December '86 I have kept silent with regard to the "Santa Claus" issue in Metuchen. I would like the Brooklyn Diocese to know however that the homily involved was a simple one about St. Nicholas (on his feast, Dec. 6th.) I did NOT say "Santa Claus is dead", nor that "parents are lying to their children." These were an unjust extension of my words by at least two parents which were then exploited by the eager media. "Father, there was absolutely no good news that day....we were desperate for a hot story, and you were it." That's what the first article writer (Catholic) told me.

When I say mass, I pray for the Bishop "John", but "Francis" is always in my mind.

In Christ,
Romano