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Most Reverend Thomas McDonough
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Dear Archbishop McDonough:

I am enclosing herewith Faculty evaluation on Daniel Clark,
II Theologian studying for the Archdiocese of Louisville.

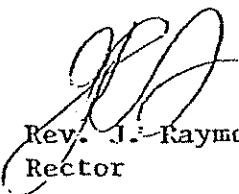
The evaluation, I think, reflects some improvement over last
year, but I must add from the written evaluation of the Faculty as well
as discussion when his name came up at the Faculty Meeting, I think it
is extremely unlikely the Faculty will be willing to recommend him for
Diaconate next year. For instance, four of the Faculty members point
out very specifically, they just do not know Dan, three of them feel
he is very much of a loner, two of them feel he is not Community oriented
or very much interested in the Community.

I am sending a copy of this to Fr. Brown your Vocation Director,
and I will look for an opportunity, when Fr. Brown and I can get together
to go over these individual Faculty sheets in more detail. It is important
that the Archdiocese be aware of the Faculty's concern in this regard.

I am sure you have a lot more questions in this regard and I
will try to go into them in some detail with Fr. Brown when I get a chance.

With every best wish, I am,

Very sincerely yours,


Rev. J. Raymond Favret
Rector

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cc Fr. Ben Brown

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culty Evaluation of Daniel Clark (Archdiocese of Louisville)

Grade Point Average I Q., III Year - 2.50

Since Mr. Clark's entrance into Mt. St. Mary's the Faculty have generally seen a great deal of growth. They all recognize that Dan had difficulties in his initial time at Mt. St. Mary's. They see that he has made strong efforts to grow in this situation.

In his self-evaluation he notes his own social growth but he still expresses fear in dealing with Faculty. He has put stronger effort into his academic work but he will never be a good student. He has shown a growth in his interest and concern for academic needs. In his self-evaluation he notes that he has taken his spiritual life more seriously and comes to understand its role in the priesthood. During the summer he maintained regular times when he prayed and did spiritual reading. He is continuing to make greater use of his Spiritual Director. He feels very strongly about his priestly vocation. In his self-evaluation he states he is trying very hard to live up to the expectations of the Priesthood.

The Vocation Director for the Archdiocese of Louisville has suggested a program for Dan which would follow this order:-

Summer Program in the Parish or in a C.P.E. Program

Return to Mt. St. Mary's for the fall quarter.

Ordination to the Diaconate in December.

Return to Mt. St. Mary's for the winter quarter to conclude his academic work.

To enter an open-ended Diaconate/^{Program} in the Archdiocese of Louisville at the beginning of the spring quarter.

It is understood that this program will fit into the Program of the Archdiocese of Louisville and the students for that Archdiocese in other seminaries. However, many of the Faculty of Mt. St. Mary's would feel that another approach might be more suitable for Dan's advancement and also be more consistent with the programs of Mt. St. Mary's. Even though the Faculty recognize that Dan has made great growth, many question that he is ready for Ordination to the Diaconate even as early as December. Fr. Proud, the Field Education Director of the Seminary has proposed a program. He presented this program to the Faculty. Most Faculty agreed this program would be the most suitable. Attached to this evaluation is a copy of Fr. Proud's Memorandum

I recommend that Dan Clark enter a non-ordained Deacon Internship beginning this Summer, ¹⁹⁷⁹ ~~1978~~ and continuing until the end of December, ¹⁹⁷⁹ ~~1978~~. He would then return to the Seminary for the Winter and Spring Quarters. If all goes well, he could be ordained a Deacon in the Spring of ¹⁹⁸⁰ ~~1979~~. I would then recommend an open-ended Deacon Internship beginning in the Summer of ~~1979~~ ¹⁹⁸⁰ with Ordination to Priesthood perhaps in October or November of ~~1979~~ ¹⁹⁸⁰. I feel that both Internships should be under supervision and evaluated.

I support the suggestion that Dan participate in a hospital C.P.E. Program during the summer, ¹⁹⁷⁹ ~~1978~~ and live and work part-time, in the parish of his internship. After the hospital ministry is completed he could then begin full time ministry in the Parish. I recommend this Program for the following reasons:

1. I believe that a continuous six month supervised parish internship will provide Dan with a better opportunity for learning and personal growth.
2. Dan has had only one parish experience that I am familiar with. The pastor was concerned with Dan's lack of involvement in the parish. This was a limited experience. I feel an extended parish internship would provide more data regarding Dan's readiness for Parish ministry.
3. While I support the summer C.P.E. experience and the evaluation of that experience, I feel a need to see how Dan functions in a parish during the fall months when the parish is in full swing.
4. I feel it would not be desirable for Dan to be at the Seminary during the Fall Quarter while the rest of his classmates are participating in a parish internship.
5. In our Seminary, the Program that I suggest for Dan is being chosen by more and more students and would not be considered unusual.

Rev. Wm. J. Proud
Field Education Director

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