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Bishop William Johnson 440 So. Batavia Orange, California 92668

Dear Bishop Johnson,

I would like to thank you for the opportunity you have given Father Eleuterio V. Ramos to gain control of his allergy to alcohol. Fortunately there is no longer the stigma connected with alcohol that there was in the past. This is because people of your high caliber have recognized this problem and have met it intelligently.

I have known Fr. Ramos since he was transferred to St. Josephs in Placentia and have always held him in the highest esteem. It was my privilege to be the lector at the 6:30 daily mass and the 7:30 Sunday mass until we moved from the parish in 1977, and consequently had the opportunity to know and to love him. He has acknowledged his problem, and I am sure that took great courage.

I am confident he will gain control of his problem because he has admitted to God and to himself that he is an alcoholic. With God's help, he will recover. As time goes on, because of the understanding you have shown him, he will better be able to help others. He has always been a wonderfully fine Priest and respected by all who know him. The Church needs more like him.

