

Priest from Nigeria to leave Walsh County

PISEK — It'll be just a matter of time before the Rev. Luke Odor has to leave St. John's Catholic Church here.

The native of Nigeria has been serving the parish and one in Conway since March 1 because of a vacancy. He is waiting to hear about his next assignment.

"I like the people of Pisek and Conway. I found them to be friendly," he said.

But he isn't accustomed to such a rural setting. He went to college and was ordained in Nigeria. He came to the United States in 1989, and he considers himself a resident of Washington, D.C., where he served as pastor at two parishes.

"It is lonely," he said. "Sometimes I may get one call a day, and sometimes I do not get any. I sometimes feel removed and isolated."

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