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Dear Brothers and Sisters of St. Anthony, St. Margaret, and Sacred Heart Parishes,

Joyful Easter Greetings in Our Risen Lord Jesus!

I write to inform you of a decision regarding the leadership of your parish. After careful consideration and consultation, it has been decided that Father Felix will remain your parish priest for another year.

While this news may not bring the anticipated change you were expecting, it presents an opportunity for us to further deepen our relationship with Father Felix and continue the work of your faith community under his guidance.

As you know, change is a natural part of life, and though you may have anticipated a new priest joining you, let us embrace this extension of Father Felix's ministry with openness and faith. This decision was made after considerable conversation and input along the way.

I am fully aware of the need to bring stability to these communities. However, I do not feel as though I would be able to fulfill that need for you this year. When I appoint the next priest, I want to make sure it is the right priest to meet the challenges and needs of each of your parish communities.

I am confident that Father Felix will bring stability and continuity to your parishes, helping all of us to build upon the foundation that has already been set in preparation for the next priest. As we journey together in faith, let us remain steadfast in our commitment to supporting Father Felix and one another, knowing that each member of your parish plays a vital role in the life of each community.

In closing, I humbly ask each of you to join me in spending time in the coming year praying mightily for an increase of young men answering the divine call to priesthood in our Diocese; come Holy Spirit!

With prayerful gratitude and hope-filled Easter blessings for you and your family, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend David L. Ricken, DD, JCL
Bishop of Green Bay

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