

December 20, 1977

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Dear Father Primavera,

His Excellency Bishop Reilly has asked me to respond to your letter of several weeks ago.

It is clear, I am sure, that Bishop Reilly would not be able to pursue serious consideration of your request until you had the explicit permission of your Most Reverend Ordinary to seek service in another diocese.

However, as Chairman of the Board of Vicars for Priests, I should like to invite you to come for a personal interview with the other four priest-members and myself. In this way, we can discuss various possibilities and have the chance to become acquainted. Then, once you have obtained your Ordinary's permission to seek service in another diocese, some of the background work will have been done and if all parties are agreeable, a formal request can be made to Bishop Reilly.

You mentioned that you would have some holiday time after January 1, 1978, in which to come to Norwich. That should prove helpful since the Vicars normally meet on the first Thursday of each month. I would ask, therefore, that you come for an interview with the Vicars on Thursday, January 5, 1978, at 2:00 p.m. in the Chancery Office, 201 Broadway, Norwich, Connecticut. If for some unexpected reason you are not able to come then, please let me know. The Chancery phone number is: (201) 887-9294.

I thank you for your interest in our Diocese. Let us join in prayer that God's Will in your regard may be discerned by all of us. Hopefully, our forthcoming meeting may be one step in that discernment process.

Faithfully yours,

Reverend Paul S. Loverde
Chairman, Board of Vicars for Priests

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