

## **Bishop** Most Rev . Vincent Cadieux

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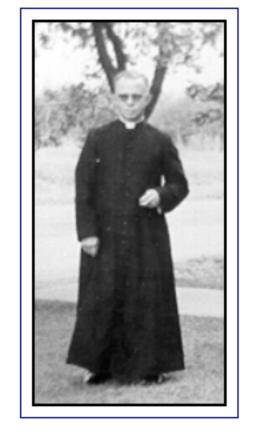
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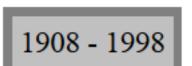
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#### **Brégoire Isdras Des Fossés** Prêtre / Priest



#### Dear Rémi,

As promised you're getting for Keeps this Histo-biography Copy at the same time as I sent the same one to the Bishop, through Ms Lil Thérriault. Now since the Original has been Photo-Copied a few times, then you're having the whole bit. Ms Thérriault wanted only but a Briography but I shunned doing this as too personal... Seemed to me that the Parishes and Places where I was involved into whould serve as a Background for the purpose of my being a member of the Diocese...

Hoping to have the pleasure to see you before too long, I remain

Respectfully yours in the Lord.

Father Greg

Jos.-Grégoire-Esdras DesFossés, a Diocesan Priest, born on the 25th day of May-1908 at Drummondville in the Eastern Townships of Québec, was baptized on the same day at St Frédéric Church of this Town. Kindergarten and First Sacraments (1913-15) at St-François-du-Lac, Qué., then Primary schooling at Ville-St-Pierre of Montréal-West 1915-22. Secondary Schooling at Holy Cross Seminary of Montréal (1922-26) and at Bourge College, Rigaud, Qué. with Graduation in Philosophy in 1936. Theological Studies at the Diocesan Seminary, Ottawa, (1938-40) with Graduation from St Augustine's Seminary (1944) Toronto, and Subdeaconate by Archbishop James Chs McGuigan in St Michael's Cathedral (Apr. 29/44). On June 3/44 at Notre Dame Basilica, Ottawa the Most Rev. Bishop Albini LeBlanc of Hearst ordained me a Deacon and the same day boarding the Train for the long trip to Hearst, where on arrival I followed the Pastoral Retreat with the Clergy of the Diocese who were invited for this purpose and that of the Ordination to the Priesthood on the Corpus Christi Thurday, June 8 - 10 a.m.

Along with Bishop LeBlanc all of the Clergy joined in this imposing Ceremony. Father Gustave Lampron was the Priest Assistant to the Candidate and the Homily was offered by Msgr Zoel Lambert, Vicar General, after having presented the Candidate to the Bishop and the Congregation that filled up the modest Cathedral and with more people outside, trying to follow the Ceremony.

At noontime a "Wartime Banquet" was offered to the Clergy and a handful of Guests... Mayor Flood of Hearst and McManusville, Dr Aubin and Roméo Bourdon who were the first Doctor and pharmacist to settle up in Hearst.

The First Private Mass was offered at 5:00 a.m. in the Chapel of the Sisters of the Assumption and at such an early time because I had to board the 6:30 Train Via Montréal and St-François-du-Lac, where the First Solemn Mass at 10:00 a.m. on the solemnity Sunday of Corpus Christi was offered along with the Procession of the Blessed Sacrament to an outdoor Shrine and back to the Church. After three weeks of Holidays, there was the Train Ride back to Hearst and due for the First of July, date of my first Appointments in the Pastoral Ministry, namely as Secretary to the Bishop and to the Chancery Office, Assistant Pastor at the Cathedral, Assistant Missionary to Fr Brosseau for the Kabinakagami and Calstock Missions and Military Chaplain to the Nazis Prisoner of War Camps (Officers) at Lac Ste Therese and Oba and for Hospitalised Prisoners.

All of this varied Pastoral Work, though somewhat strenuous at times, I enjoyed to the full the Good Lord being always close to help me out and I could rely upon the kindness and encouragement of the solicitous Bishop and of the zealous Confreres who were always kindly available for help and advice. In June of 1945, from the Archdiocese of Québec a newly ordained Priest, Fr Jean-M. Fortier, was temporarily appointed in our Diocese to complete his experience in Chancery Office Matters; I was then released from this assignment and from the Bishop Secretariate. I must add that Fr Fortier, after returning to the Archdiocese of Québec, became a few years later Bishop of Gaspé then, a few years ago, the Archbishop of Sherbrooke, Québec.

During the first days of October/45 I was transfered to Cochrane as Assistant to Msgr Achile Cournoyer and Fr Emile Lafrance, the actual Assistant, assumed the same posting in Hearst. The first weeks in Cochrane were rater like a period of soulsearching for me as I deeply felt I was a "Stranger in Town." However as days went by a climate of hospitality was born and created a heartwarming adjustment that brought along a lasting friendship between the Pastor and myslf and I fully enjoyed my three years of Pastoral work in this Parish. On the Tenth day of April 1948 I was notified by Fr Cournoyer that the new Bishop Geo.L.Landry had appointed me as Pastor of FrédérickHouse with two specifications: a) Becoming the first Missionary for the recently created Missions of Fraserdale and Abitibi Canyon situated on the Temiskaming and Northern Ontario Railway from Cochrane to Moosonee ... b) That I would Assist in Cochrane on Call or on Weekends. As a Pastor, Missionary and Assistant to the Cochrane Parish, the workload was somewhat strenuous but I enjoyed every minute of my appointment there in and during the seven years of Pastoral Ministry in this small but energetic Parish, life was that of large and loving Family. The very modest Church building was completed with a new Basement- Parish Hall, a new Tower bellfrey and Sacristy. Landscaping surrounded the Church building and a fieldstone Shrine of Our Lady of Lourdes - (a "First" in the Diocese) was errected on the back corner lot. With a generous Grant from the Provincial Ministry of Education, a new concrete and brick School Building replaced the old wooden frame building. Now that the Parish Buildings were all renovated, a climate of encouragement and fraternity prevailed among the thirty four Families of the Parish who were very proud of their volunteer Labour. During my second year at FrederickHouse two small Settlements, on the West Highway, namely Hunta and Driftwood were served as Missions by the Parish; Hunta phased out in 1954 when the Hydro Station was merged with the Main Unit in Cochrane. In April of 1955, I received from Bishop Louis Levesque (recent Successor of Bishop Landry), notice that I was transferred to Hallébourg with Val-Coté as a secondary Parish and this nomination was to be effective on the First Day of May. A few days before my departure from FrédérickHouse, the small congregation was so upset about my leaving the Parish and the Missions, that they had made plans to appeal of this nomination... Father Cimon, the new Pastor of Cochrane, was called in and succeeded to appease these very sad people. It was with reluctance and sadness that I left the Parish; we had lived together as a Big Family all these years...

On the road to Hallébourg I finally submitted to the Lord's Holy Will and then it was with peace of mind that I landed in this Sanctuary Village of Good Saint Anne to whom I entrusted my Pastoral work in her Domain.

Since I had left practically all my belongings except my clothes and books at the poor Parish of FrédérickHouse, it didn't take long to settle up in the Rectory and by suppertime a few of the Villagers had come up to the House for a sort of welcoming or "get to know" visit. A venerable Old Lady brought all the necessary food items and cooked a delicious supper and then she went to the Church, prepared the Altar had her husband to ring the bell and with quite a few people we had the devotions of the month of Mary. This spontaneity of the Villagers built up a perennial friendship between them and the Pastor. Since the Parish was well organized by the previous Pastors, a meeting was called for all the Villagers to decide upon the financial Administration to be entrusted to a Parish Council consisting of four elected members. In a matter of minutes the selection of the members was carried out and Henri Leclerc was selected as Financial Administrator of the Parish. This new Administrative process brought all the Parishioners into an energetic Unit that brought success toward the preparation of the yearly Pilgrimage of St Anne during the last week of July.

Since I was also Pastor of Val Coté, the same Administration was set up there in with George Levesque as Financial Secretary; this Parish Council saved the Parish when on the evening of the 10th of February 1960, a disastrous fire wiped out the small wooden framed church and all its contents.

Such a disaster in a rather poor small Parish with only thirty families at the time, did not erode the faith nor the courage of these poor people. On the very next day the Parish Council held a Meeting of all the parishioners and the Pastor and it was unanymously decided to build a new church even if the Parish was extremely poor and only but sixty two dollars in the Parish account at the Caisse Populaire. There and then a petition was signed by all present and humbly requesting the Bishop's permission to build a new church with a Loan from the Diocese... Georges Levesque and myself were delegated to present this Document to the Bishop who wrote the Permission and his signature on this Document. However the Bishop after having signed and given us the Document told us: "It is impossible for us to help you out... The Diocese does not have that kind of money and is endebted for years to come"...

"I wish you luck and success..." In whatever say you solve your problem, let it be without a Debt: this I forbid!"

As we left the Bishop's Residence and on the way back to Val-Coté we felt such a divine peace of mind and encouragement, even if we failed to obtain a loan...All of the Parish became a beehive of activities; women of all ages got busy cleaning up the Parish Hall, a former Bushcamp now destined to become a temporary Church. This old building donated by the Spruce Falls Power & Paper Mill (Wood Dept.) had been hauled on its own skids from the Company's Wood Cutting Area some twelve years before the construction of the now destroyed Church Building. Both Timmins Radio Stations C.F.C.L. and C.K.G.B. spread the sad News of the Disaster; visitors and help came in during the next ten days from all over the District, bringing with them their sympathy and financial assistance which gave birth of our Building Fund that kept on swelling far beyond April, when the Construction started.

The very first Benefactor, Fr Donat Deschenaux, Pastor of Strickland and Founder of this Parish, came to our rescue within thirty six hours after the fire with a load of all that was strictly necessary for the upcoming Sunday Mass: Altar Linen, Liturgical Vestments, Candles and Candlesticks, cruets, sacramental Wine, Altar Missal, a Crucifix and a Chalice and its Paten... The emotion and surprise at the sight of all this spontaneous Charity were so intense that everyone was practically speechless, many with tears in their eyes... Father Deschenaux was well known all over the Diocese for his kindness and generosity, though being very poor. So on the Sunday after this disastrous Fire, we had Mass as usual but in the old Parish Hall duly set up for the purpose. In the meantime, since I had been given a few designs of Church Buildings, I was asked to draft the Plans for the new Church. With the precious collaboration of the Spruce Falls Engineer Dept. these Plans were corrected and redesigned by Clair Gaudaur of this Engineering Dept. and officially accepted by all those concerned in the Project. While unsollicited financial help was pouring in from many Benefactors and Organizations in all walls of Life, the Spruce Falls Mill Officials accompanied the Free corrected Plans with a very substantial four Digit Cheque along with a note bearing these words. "Good Luck! This to help you People with your Project."

During the first days of April the Digging for the Foundations started and it was a success all the way through. since we had all the necessary material, the framework of the Building went on so well that in June it was eompleted. Then, under the leadership of René Pominville a Master Carpenter and Cabinet Maker, all of the interior of the Building along with the Belfrey Tower were completed ahead of schedule. All the while donations were pouring in from everywhere. For instance, the famous Sculptor from Québec, Médard Bourgault sent us "Free of Charge" four Statues and the Corpus for the Main Altar Curcifix.

Then, from a Church Bell Dealer in Montréal, Dominique Cogné, we received a beautiful "Half-Ton" reconditioned Bell for which we only had to pay the C.N. freight charges, namely One Hundred Dollars which afterwards reimbursed by a Hearst resident. The Mother-House of the Sisters of Providence of Montréal, through Sr Joseph Sarto s.p. of Hearst Notre-Dame Hospital, sent us an Assortment of Brand New Sacred Vestments Ostensorium, Chalice, Ciborium, Albs and Surplices. The main and two side Altars were artfully designed and built by our Master Carpenter, René Pominville and the Stations of the Cross were paid up by a group of Parishioners.

By the middle of August the Parish Council issued a Decree whereby we had to clear up all oustanding bills from the three Lumber Yards in Hearst, i.e. Fontaine's, Levesque's, and Lecours. To our amazement we found out that most of these bills were already paid up... with clearances to the proof, while the Spruce Falls Mill gracefully supplied all the Concrete and steel for the Foundations of the Building.

On August 16th, the Granite Masonry Wall which was entrusted to me to be erected on the front of Building and being all completed, the front Entrance Doors of the Church were installed and there and then all our work was completed. At this point, the Bishop and his Chancelor were present and offered their congratulations to all the Crew of Benevolent Workers and the Financial Secretary presented the Parish Financial Book to our Guests who found out that there was no debt whatever and even a few dollars left in advance for the future. Everyone in the Parish was jubilant because their dream came through. However all this jubilation became frustration and sorrow when the Bishop announced that I was to be tranferred to Géraldton as of the 4th of September/60.

This announcement was so unexpected that all of us became speechless and disturbed and the same thing happened in Hallébourg when the news broke out. Both Parish Councils angrily decided to appeal of this Nomination and I had a hard time to dissuade them and make them accept this decision of the Chancery Office. Brokenhearted did I leave these two Parishes to comply with the Will of the Lord, and to make sure that the sacrifice would be complete. I was to have a chance to visit Val-Coté and enter the new Church only two years after I left the Parish.

So I landed in Géraldton on the afternoon of the Fourth of September 1960 and the first Parishioners I met were the Sisters of St Mary who were to give me the keys of the Church and Rectory. Before suppertime the Staff of Daneff's Market sent to the rectory all the foodstuff needed for a few days. Since I was succeeding Fr Lampron who himself had come from Foleyet to replace the Late Fr. Marleau, Founder of the Parish, then I was to become the third Pastor of Géraldton for the next eight Years in a Bilingual Parish.

Readily could I appreciate the Pastoral zeal of the former two Pastors of St Theresa's, as I felt accepted and welcome by the whole Community; this was the trend that lasted throughout the eight years of my Pastorship in this Town. On the Pastoral level the Parish was very well organized and one could easily detect that Peace and Harmony prevailed between both the French and English entities in the Parish. St Joseph's Separate School was already sheltering both the French and English Schools under the same Principal and with perfect harmony and with very close Cooperation with the Church. The Sisters of St Mary were, as they still are now, zealously cooperative toward both the School and the Church and they helped to mould the Parish Unity and at large, that of the Town itself. Now there were three Lay Organizations namely: the Knights of Columbus, the Daughters of Isabella and the Ladies of the Altar Society who were and still are extremely dedicated to both the spiritual and material welfare of the Parish. When in March of 1964 we received Permission to build a new Church and which was granted by Bishop Louis Levesque and under strict stipulation that "No Loan would be granted by the Chancery Office nor queried from any other source, nor indebting the Parish"..., the whole of the Parishioners were disturbed but not desperated; They all rallied around the consensus already expressed in Church: "If the Good Lord wants us to have a new Church, let's entrust the whole matter into his care and Pray"... And Prayers were answered. A Building Fund was set up and the Knights of Columbus were in charge of the Finances along with the Daughters of Isabella who brought in their very generous cooperation. Now we had received this conditional Permission to build this Church, so right there and then I sent my Plans of the Val-Coté Church to a prominent Architect Friend of my Family and living in Sherbrooke Qué. Two weeks later the modified Plans and Specifications, adapted to the new Church arrived and after serious consideration we started the surveying and digging of the building foundations. In the first days of May, the foundations and Basement wall Formsbeing set up and ready, a Volunteer Bee was set up for the second Saturday in May. More than one hundred Volunteers showed up for 7:00 a.m. when the work started on a beautiful day. Now since the work was all manual the volunteers were set up in shifts, in order to supply fourteen cement mixers and perhaps three dozen wheelbarrows. Meals were served by the Daughters of Isabella and Ladies of the Parish. This tremendous group of Volunteers "Buzzed" around all day and by 8:00 p.m. on this Saturday, the whole foundations, floor, walls, ceiling and front steps were completed within thirteen hours of hard work. From then on the same crew of volunteers kept busy inside and outside of the basement which was to become a spacious and beautiful Parish Hall and by December it was ready to accommodate the Congregation for the Christmas Masses. During the next three years, work was centered around the finishing touches in and outside of the Basement-Parish Hall and Landscaping. Varied Organizations sponsored by the K. of C. and Daughters of Isabella brought in an amazing amount of Finance which cleared up all our bills, band support and finalized the purchase of the Church laminated Arches. Upon arrival, these Arches were paid up on the spot and stored up at the Gold Mine (MacLeod), South of the Town. Now, even if the Mine phased out in 1966, the officials made sure that the Arches would be safely stored in their Sheds.

This Industrial Pahsing out brewed up a certain disarray among the Parishioners, for just a short time however. Most of them found jobs at the Kimberly-Clark Plywood Mill in Longlac, or in their Woodlands Operations. In spite of this mishap, the Parishioners were not discouraged but eager to see the new Church sitting on top of the new basement-Parish Hall. In the meantime, encouragement and financial Aid never ceased coming in, the Good Lord being unceasingly faithfull to his promise of "Giving us this day our daily Bread" ... Everyone agreed to the fact that they felt the presence of the Lord working with us, more than once and the Lord being always near by to solve our problems. Another and last blow was to be faced up by the Parish and myself. In the same way that matters clogged up at Val-Coté, I was not to see the new Church built up... On the second Thursday in April/68 I received from the Chancery Office of the Diocese my official Nomination as Pastor of St Patrick's Parish in Kapuskasing... Once more, the good Lord protected me against the sin of Pride that would have invited me to feel and declare that "I was the Builder of this Church"...I must admit that I painfully submitted to the Good Lord's Will in accepting this Transfer being effective on the Fourth of May/68...

Meanwhile the church was completed in 1970 under the Leadership of Father Laurent Dubé, my Successor, and I never was to see this new Church but fifteen years later, when I was called, as a Retired Priest, on the last weekend of June/83, to fill in for Father Fillion who was on Holidays... How was I happy and impressed at the sight of this beautiful Church and to review Friendship with my former Parishioners whom I had not seen in such a long time! These courageous Parishioners, under the Leadership of Fr Dubé, faithfully worked so hard and finally had the Church they wanted so much.

Now, to comply with my Nomination as Pastor of St Pat's in Kapuskasing, I left Géraldton on the morning of the second day of May/68 and, after a brief call at the Chancery Office in Hearst when Bishop Landriault gave me the Document of Nomination and the Keys to the Rectory, I landed at St Patrick's at around 4:00 p.m. on the same day. Kapuskasing was a strange Town for me and there was nobody I knew in the neighbourhood of the Rectory. As I walked into this silent building that was to be my home I really felt heart-broken and like " A Stranger in Paradise"...

A few minutes later, I had the pleasure to meet the first Parishioner at the Rectory, Frank LeVay, Principal of St Patrick's School. During a brief but very cordial conversation. Frank gave me a few pointers about the Parish and brought to my

knowledge the fact that the Bishop had created recently a Parish Council which, as a Group, were the Administrators of the Parish... This encounter with Frank was very precious and encouraging to me and his straight forward and friendly advices brought to me Peace of mind and Soul. Then during the evening, I had the pleasant visit of a Member of the Parish Council, Clarence Mangan, one of the Founders of the Parish, who with three other Pioneers came to Frédérickhouse, one Sunday afternoon, enquiring about how to proceed with the Bishop with the project of obtaining an Anglophone Parish of their own in Kapuskasing. There and then, after serious discussion, strategical plans were set up as an official petition to be presented to the Bishop a week later. The luck of the Irish prevailed. Permission was granted along with the promise of a founding Pastor. A few days later, an Official document from the Chancery Office announced that Father Jean-Paul Laurin was appointed as Pastor of St Patrick's Parish. For three years before this Official Nomination, the Anglophone Group was served by the Oblate Fathers of the Immaculate Conception Parish and in the Basement Chapel of their Church. Now with Father Laurin as their Pastor in 1954, the Parishioners kept on having their religious services at the Immaculated Conception Chapel and they prepared their Project for their new church. Since most of the Parishioners were members of the staff of both the Spruce Falls Power and Paper Co. and of the Kimberly-Clark (kleenex) Co., a very close cooperation prevailed between them and the Parish and Pastor. The Officials of the Mill secured a Parcel of Land for both the Church and the School on the South West Side of Cedar Street, corner of Mundy Street. Engineering and building Plans were drafted under the supervision of Wally Finley and Fred Campling who were also the Supervisors of the Construction of the Church which was contracted by Geo. E. Knowles of this Town. By the second half of April/55 the Building Foundation Digging started and with a great amount of Volunteer Labour, the whole Building was completed on time for the Christmas Midnight Mass which was celebrated therein and with the proud satisfaction and joy of all the Parishioners. At last, the St Patrick's Parish Church was a reality! Now, let it be known that all the Furniture for the Church, like Pews, Kneeler, Altars, Benches, Pulpit and Communion Rail were fashioned out of Northern grown Lumber, namely Birch and Wild Cherry Trees... And all of that Furniture was artistically fashioned and a proud asset for the Parish.

When I took charge of the Parish on the Fourth of May of 1968, everything was in good order with regards to Parish Organizations; Parish Council, C.W.L. and financial resources. What little Debt could there be was cleared up in a short time. The Parishioners were very friendly and cooperative and the Youth were, so to say, perfectly at "home" at the Rectory, whether studying, preparing their Exams, relaxing or helping around at keeping the Landscaping or the buildings in top shape ... These really were the "Good Years". I did really enjoyed my seven Years of Pastorship in the Parish. Then, on my sixty seventh Birthday I tended my resignation as Pastor...Bishop Roger Despatie, while accepting my resignation, asked me to remain at the Parish as Assistant-Priest to Father Gilles Gosselin, recently appointed as Pastor of St Patrick's. As an Assistant-Priest and being Retire and living at the Cedargrove Golden Age Apartments, I was to be present at the Parish everyday to comply with my duties. At this time, I had completed a span of thirty four Years of Priesthood and Service in the Diocese and after all these Years of Service, I never pictured myself as a Curate, a Beginner in the Holy Ministry...So, what was good enough for Old King David, was good enough for me...However, I am very happy to feel useful in some way and "still kicking around in the land of the living" ...

As an Assistant to Fr Gosselin, I could appreciate his patience, his kindness, his deep knowledge, his uncommon ability in making friends and his "Joie de Vivre"...lined with Holiness...I have mentioned Holiness, because, at times, his feet would never touch the ground...As Father Gilles was, on the diocesan and Regional Levels, Organizer of the Marriage Encounter, Youth Encounter and Cursillo Movement, he had to travel far and wide through the Continent, using the Wings of Air Canada, C.P. Air and perhaps those of the Holy Spirit...Who knows!

After a successful Pastorship at St-Patrick's during a Five Year Appointment, Fr Gosselin was to be transfered to St Theresa's Parish in Géraldton, on the First Day of September/81. It was a very sad moment for the Parishioners and myself, since Father Gilles was so closely related with all of us. A memorable departure party had been set up, a few days before, with a great many Parishioners and Father's close Friends and Relatives... I really felt...I was loosing a highly respected friend and the loss to St Pat's and myself would be a precious Asset for Géraldton.

On this first day of September, Fr Lucien G. Bouillon, a Native of Chapleau, Ont. and former Pastor of Foleyet and Gogama, became the new Pastor of St Pat's. Father arrived at the Rectory a few days before and since I was "holding the fort" since Fr Gosselin's departure, I was to welcome the new Pastor. There and then, Father Lucien made sure that I would remain with him at the Parish. Both of us agreed with the conditions of my remaining his Assistant throughout the duration of his Pastorship. Father Lucien, with the precious help of a Parish Pastoral Council and of Sisters Enid and Mary of the Congregation of the Sisters of St Joseph of Toronto, is brilliantly and successfully administering the Parish. Long awaited repairs to the Church Buildings were successfully undertaken recently; now the varied Organizations of the Parish enjoy the full use of a beautiful board room in the renovated basement of the Rectory. The basement Parish Hall of the church also went through some most needed alterations along the line of new bookstore, storage room and shower room. All these improvements, eagerly approved by the Parishioners, are a tremendous asset to the Parish and a proof of father Lucien's popularity and high esteem among all of the Parishioners.

These last four years as an Assistant to Father Lucien really helped me to store up more experience and fraternal cooperation in Parish Pastoral Work. I was deeply impressed with the presence of Father Rémi Lessard at the Rectory, as he was preparing to receive the minor and major orders of the Priesthood. Father Lucien along with Rémi and myself went through a summary of our theological studies with relation to the active ministry. This was a stage of studies that benefited everyone of us and allowed Father Rémi to reach his objective ... Priesthood. These four years with Father Lucien were, so far, very beneficent to me and it was gratifying and pleasant to assist Father in his very demanding ministry. However, due to a failing health and my age that has reached the end of the Seventies, I could not do all the work requested by my appointment; but the little I could do to help, I did wholeheartedly!

In conclusion of this demographical history of all the Parishes, Missions and other Places where I exercised the duties of the Holy Ministry, I am pleased to add that the Good Lord was very kind to me and in many occasions, the Parishioners and I could feel His presence really close to us.

Praise the Lord

Rev. Greg. E. DesFossés