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April 27, 2007

Reverent John L. Parr and
The Committee of Elders
St. Patrick Church
1500 Vine Street
Hudson, WI 54016

Dear Father Parr and the Committee of Elders:

As a follow-up to my letter to you of April 19, 2007, this mailing will provide you with the process that has been well in place in the diocese for several years concerning the ongoing formation of priests of the Diocese of Superior. Accordingly, I am enclosing with this letter several documents illustrative of the ongoing diocesan support for the formation of priests in their pastoral ministry.

In addition to the many enclosures with this letter, you should also be aware of several other policies, manuals and programs that for the past several years have been facilitating the pastoral ministry of our priests such as:

1. Standardized personnel policies for the lay parish employees and volunteers;
2. The green covered three-ring policy manual and appendices that give guidance for almost all of a pastor's pastoral and sacramental ministry;
3. Position descriptions for pastors, associate pastors, parish directors and all other parish lay employees;
4. Annual retreats, fall workshops, lectures on the implementation of the Bishops' Charter, the Priests' Assembly in conjunction with the Chrism Mass, and several recreational events throughout the year.

I look forward to more relevant stories in our diocesan newspaper about these programs and activities that support and enhance the ministry of our priests.

Sincerely yours in the Lord,

Most Rev. Raphael M. Fliss
Bishop of Superior