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January 15, 2002

Reverend Charles Walter

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Pompano Beach, FL 33069

Dear Charlie,

As I continue to adjust to my role as Archbishop, I am undertaking a review of files of priests. I note that there have been problems in your past of which you are well aware. Father Hornacek will be contacting you for a personal meeting in the near future to discuss this situation with you on my behalf. If you want to meet with me personally at some point after your conversation with Joe, I am certainly open to that possibility.

In the meantime, I understand that you are not partaking in any exercise of ministry where you are living. I need to extend that limitation to include public exercise of ministry anywhere. I would like to confirm some additional expectations, as well. You are to have no unsupervised contact with minors. Private celebration of the Eucharist with only another priest or priests in attendance is permitted but no other sacramental ministry. Given the current state of matters, I would also ask that you not wear your collar in public settings. This is for your protection as well.

I regret that my first formal correspondence with you needs to be on such a delicate and painful matter. I am sure you understand that the scope of my responsibilities in caring for the flock entrusted to me requires that I do so.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Timothy M. Dolan
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