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Sincerely  
Mr. & Mrs. Arthur Plante, Jr.

*Fr. Paul Aube*

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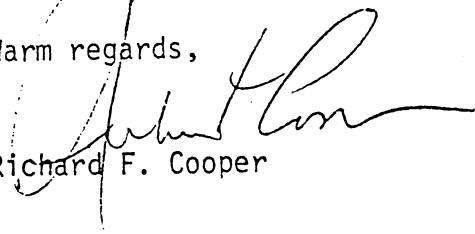
The Most Reverend Odore J. Gendron  
Bishop of Manchester  
Bishop's House  
Manchester, New Hampshire 03100

Dear Bishop Gendron:

In response to your letter of April 18, I am most happy to enclose a check for \$50.00 as a small indication of my support for the many worthwhile services rendered by New Hampshire Catholic Charities. St. Charles, here in Rochester, has been of great assistance to me in my work as Judge of the Juvenile Court.

I would especially commend to you the interest and unselfish devotion of time and energies given by Father Paul Aube of the Holy Rosary Church to some of the problems of young people in our community. This young priest exemplifies the finest of qualities of a man who has been called to serve his God through his Church. He and Msgr. Simard are outstanding leaders in the ecumenical spirit in this community of which you spoke so eloquently when I had the pleasure of meeting you a few months ago.

Warm regards,

  
Richard F. Cooper

RFC:cv

June 10, 1976

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Plante, Jr.  
14 Lock Street  
Nashua, New Hampshire 03060

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Plante:

May I take this opportunity to acknowledge receipt of your recent letter and thank you for taking the time to write to me to express your enthusiastic approval of Father Paul Aube and his ministry in Nashua.

Actually your comments came as no surprise to me, because I have always known Father Aube to be a very zealous and dedicated priest. Nevertheless, it is always a pleasure to receive such positive comments from thoughtful people like yourselves.

With every prayerful good wish, I am

Cordially in Christ,

Bishop of Manchester

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Sincerely  
Mr. & Mrs. Arthur Plante, Jr.

August 13, 1975

Mr. Richard Saucier  
230 Babcock Street  
Brookline, Massachusetts 02146

Dear Mr. Saucier:

I recently received your letter of August 7th concerning the possibility of releasing Father Paul Aube to work on the staff of St. Clement's Student Parish. I know of Father Aube's great interest in youth work and the success he has had in this area in his parish assignments, and I am sure that he would be able to provide your parish with an effective ministry.

However, I regret to inform you that due to the personnel needs of our own Diocese, I am not able at this time to spare him for work outside of the Diocese. While this may be disappointing news to you, I hope you understand that the current shortage of priests makes it very difficult to release men from the parish ministry.

I sincerely hope that you will soon have your parish adequately staffed, and I wish you and all the members of St. Clement's a fruitful growth in the Lord.

Cordially in Christ,

Bishop of Manchester

230 Babcock St.

Brookline, Mass

August 7, 1975

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Most Rev.adore Gordon  
Chancery Office  
Diocese of Manchester  
Manchester, N.H.

Your Excellency,

I am a native of Claremont, N.H.,  
having been a Communicant of St Mary  
Parish, attended St. Mary High School  
and St Anselm's College. At present  
I am working + living in the greater  
Boston area and am a member of  
St Clement's Student Parish (formerly  
St Clement's Archdiocesan Eucharistic  
Shrine).

Until very recently the Center  
has been well staffed by both  
lay people and the Carmelite Fathers.  
However, within the last 3 weeks,  
because of changes within the Order,  
the Carmelites have found it im-  
possible to staff the Parish and  
Newman Center. As a consequence,



As of the beginning of September, 2163  
we will be left without any  
priests. The Archdiocesan Campus  
Ministry Board, headed by Fr. Robert  
Bullock is now in the process of  
actively soliciting candidates for the  
vacancies that have been created.

Having known Rev. Paul Aubé,  
who is presently stationed in Nashua,  
N.H., for quite some time and having  
had personal experience with his  
work with youth, I would like  
to strongly urge you to consider  
him for a position such as this.  
I have known Fr. Paul & work in  
Claremont and know of his ed-  
ucational background and his  
aptitude in dealing with youth.  
I believe that he would prove  
to be a great asset to our com-  
munity here in Boston if you can  
see your way clear to release him  
from his duties in New Hampshire.  
Hoping to hear from you regarding  
this matter, I am  
Respectfully yours,  
Richard J. Davis

June 30, 1975

Mrs. Aurore Jutras  
435 Forbush Avenue  
Berlin, New Hampshire 03570

Dear Mrs. Jutras:

Thank you again for taking the time to write to me about your concerns for a youth ministry in the Berlin area. In my previous letter to you apparently I did not address myself to that request specifically so I will be glad to do so at this time.

I certainly agree that the proper priest working on a full-time basis with youth can provide them with a great deal of the guidance and growth which they so desperately need especially in these troubled times. As a result, I will take your proposal under serious consideration. However, given the shortage of priests at the present time, I am not sure that a man can be freed from the parish ministry to undertake this sort of work full time at the present moment. I know that even with other parish responsibilities, a priest can still give a good amount of time to the needs of youth, and should it be impossible for me to provide a full-time man for the sort of program you envision, I hope that within the parishes of Berlin, and even in the area as a whole, perhaps through some sort of a cooperative plan on the part of the priests stationed in the area, the care of the young people will be properly handled.

Assuring you of my prayers for you and for all of the young people of Berlin, I am

Cordially in Christ,

Bishop of Manchester

435 Forbush Avenue  
Berlin, N. H. 03570  
June 25, 1975

Most Reverend Bishop Gendron:

I thank-you for answering my letter concerning the transfer of Father Aube.

Father forgive me for being blunt but you see my letter was not to reverse your decision concerning Father Aube's transfer, but to ask you to establish a specific ministry to meet an urgent need namely that of having a priest working full time in youth ministry in our city of Berlin. You did not voice your opinion on the matter.

We ask for and we desperately need a priest for Youths in this city. These Youths are our concern. As we look at the Christian Life Center we wonder just how much good it is doing. Only a small handful of people take advantage and a considerable amount of money spent. While a full time priest could do so much for the Youths. A real need for the formation of our future generation.

I hope that in the very near future action will be taken to have youth ministry in many cities who have a real need. By being involved with the Youths we are confronted each day with a growing need to understand, love and accept these young people in our Christian Life.

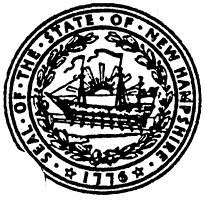
How can we turn them away when they ask for help? Spiritual help that only a priest who is aware and dedicated can inspire and thus gain the trust of these young people.

Believe me Father, I will give Father Martineau and Father Lemay the very best support and encouragement as we welcome them into our parish. I count on them to help us grow in Unity and Charity something we haven't seen in a long time.

I ask your pardon if this letter is out of order but you see I believe it is my duty to speak because I firmly believe in the need for a full time ministry in our city.

Your views concerning this matter and your intentions regarding its solution will be greatly appreciated and respected.

Respectfully,  
*Mrs. Aurore Jutras*  
Mrs. Aurore Jutras  
Christian Formation Chairman



# State of New Hampshire

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

CONCORD

Dear Monsignor Gordon:

I am a friend of Father Paul Nuber, formerly of Guardian Angel Parish. Since he's been assigned to another parish, I understand a number of persons have contacted you in an effort to make him a sort of youth coordinator for the entire city of Berlin.

I would like to add my name to that list. I myself am a volunteer Probation Officer and very concerned with our younger citizens. There is a definite need for Paul, we have problems not alien to any other community. I imagine, I could



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wrote a ten page letter citing problems, reasons and arguments for my request.

I hope it suffices to say that Paul has been a vital force in our community, especially as relates to youth.

In plain talk, we'd like to have him back, hopefully with a broader scope.

I hope you

Rep. Richard L. Paulson

Seat 4-69

Concord, N.H.

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P.S. There is no need to respond.  
I know you are quite busy

June 18, 1975

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Oliver  
30 Wilson Street  
Gorham, New Hampshire 03581

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Oliver:

Thank you for your recent letter in which you express your sorrow at the transfer of Father Paul Aube. It is always encouraging to me to hear of the good work of our priests. I know that Father Aube has worked hard in Berlin and has had substantial success especially with the young people of the area.

Let me assure you that I weighed this point most carefully when considering his change. However, the needs of many other areas of New Hampshire, as well as your own, have necessitated his transfer at this time. I am sure that you can appreciate how difficult it is to satisfy all of these very similar needs at the same time, and thus can understand why I have decided that Father Aube is needed elsewhere at this time. I am sure as well that Fathers Martineau and Lemay will be most responsive to the needs of the people of the Berlin area, and I hope I can count on you to support them in whatever ways you can.

Please pray for me and for all your priests so that we will have the wisdom and strength to work well for Christ in these difficult times.

Cordially in Christ,

Bishop of Manchester

May 29, 1975  
30 Wilson St.  
Sorgham N. H.  
- 2788

Dear Bishop Gendron.

This is written regarding your decision to transfer Rev. Paul Aube from Angel Guardian Parish.

We do not know the reason for your decision but we wonder if you are aware of the feelings the people of this area have for Father Aube, and the high regard he is held in this area.

We hope, we do not have to remind you of the invaluable work he is doing in the area of teaching and counseling the people, especially the young people of this area. His rapport and understanding will be greatly missed. We feel he is too important to be transferred at this time.

We hope you will reconsider your decision and allow Father Aube to remain here.

A reply to this letter is asked, and will be appreciated.

Yours truly  
Edna & Sandra Oliver

June 5, 1975

Mrs. Aurore Jutras  
435 Forbush Avenue  
Berlin, New Hampshire 03570

Dear Mrs. Jutras:

May I take this opportunity to thank you for your recent letter on behalf of the adult lay personnel of the Cove regarding the transfer of Father Aube from the Berlin area.

I am grateful to you for sharing your thoughts with me and voicing your enthusiastic approval of Father Aube's ministry to the youth of Berlin. Actually your positive comments come as no surprise, because I am well aware of his talents and dedication to the youth apostolate.

It is my fervent hope and prayer that you will show this same loyalty and generous spirit of cooperation with Father Martineau and Father Lemay, who are about to begin their ministry at Guardian Angel Parish. They are both deeply committed and zealous priests, and I have every confidence that they will work most effectively to serve the needs of the people of Berlin, both young and old.

With every prayerful good wish, I am

Cordially in Christ,

Bishop of Manchester



435 Forbush Avenue  
Berlin, NH 03570  
May 28, 1975

Most Reverend Bishop Gendron:

We, the adults lay personnel of The Cove, and our youth center of Guardian Angel Parish, regret to hear that Father Aube is being transferred from Berlin. We are regretful because we feel that he has proven himself qualified for this youth ministry. We believe that there is an urgent need to focus on our youths. We believe that a priest would no doubt be able to have a good influence, but also a spiritual influence that the youths need very much. We have come to realize this need since we have become involved in The Cove. Because of our involvement, we have been able to witness the effectiveness that a priest can have over other adults who also care and want to help the youths. We also became aware of how a priest can be the go-between between parent and child and reach a positive solution. We believe that if it is to be effective that the priest should be able to devote his full time to organize programs, and establish social contacts as probation department, police department, courts, merchants for jobs, and most importantly, create meaningful religious programs so that the youths can experience God and religion, such as the idea of The Christian Cookbook, which I am enclosing. We would like you to see the results in just this parish since a priest gave personal attention to the youths; ~~x~~lectors, collectors, folk group, Spirit Singers, The Cove, etc.

Reverend Father, we are aware of the great need for more intensified youth ministry in the city of Berlin; the need to have a priest devote his ministry for the purpose of the city of Berlin as the four Catholic Parishes city wide. We are hoping to be able to have Father Aube for this purpose since he is already effectively involved in this, or if it is not possible, to at least have a qualified priest assigned to meet this need on a full-time basis as soon as possible so that the headway that has already been made will not be wasted. Father, we are interested in finding out what you really think of the youth's needs. We would all be most willing to meet with you at any time during your stay in Berlin on June 8.

Sincerely,

THE COVE ADULT PERSONNEL

*Mrs. Aurora Juras*

Christian Formation of  
Guardian Angel Parish

At the start of the meeting, Father Aube called to our attention that we have to bring to the Parish Council all of the problems discussed at the Youth Committee Meetings.

Those present at the meeting were: Pauline Arquin, Chairman, Laurier Poulin, Mike Poulas, Marie Villeneuve, Rachel Deschamps, Secretary, Genevieve Galtari, Jacqueline Landry and Father Aube.

Father Aube said that Pauline Arquin, our new chairman, will now run the committee meetings.

The first problem that Pauline raised was the crowd of youths in front of the Church. Mr. Laurier Poulin, co-chairman, stated that the best way to solve this problem was to get a light. The crowd would diminish from the result of being seen under the big light.

The altar boys will be using the Cove some Saturday soon for their services to the Church. They will be allowed to play ping pong and to buy things at the canteen. Some people from the Cove Staff and from the Youth Committee are asked to be present to care for the games, etc., just like a regular game night. The altar boys will be given three tickets when they enter so that they can get free jigger drinks.

Our first and most important project is helping the old people. This will start on May 3. It will consist of taking off storm windows, cleaning yards and making lawns, etc. The people who need help are asked to call: at the rectory, Pauline Arquin, Chairman (752-1131), Rachel Deschamps, Secretary, (752-1643), and Laurier Poulin, co-Chairman.

During this meeting we have also set up a Summer Program. Our Summer Program consists of: 1. Having a trip to see Godswall in Boston. This would be for anyone 18 years of age and older. 2. A hike to Mt. Washington. 3. A picnic at Umbagog in Enfield, NH before the end of May. 4. A field trip at Bellefleur and White Lake

5. Bike hike to Moose Brook and, 6. Bike-a-thon.

For the school year, we have planned to have some special Teen-  
e Masses which would include rap sessions, slides, and films.  
We would also like to set up a program to offer us an opportunity  
to know more about our Religion. This would consist of discussions.  
The program will be called "THE CHRISTIAN COOKBOOK". This will consist  
of a Bible-centered activities such as, putting on Bible plays,  
role playing of certain biblical personages and round table discussions  
of Bible themes. It is called the CHRISTIAN BOOKBOOK Because the  
object of the program is to make the Youth realize that in order  
to have an lead a real Christian life one must be able to look onto  
the Bible as THE GREAT RECIPE to achieve this goal.

As for the Cove's future activities, we are serious considering  
closing up for the summer and only being in operation during  
e school year. We are thinking of requiring some sort of commitment  
from the members when we reopen, so that all members will cooperate  
as a united force to help the Cove help as many Youth's as possible.

Respectfully submitted,

Rachel Deschamps  
Secretary of Youth Committee

June 3, 1975

Mr. Anthony C. Ferrante  
7 Cascade Flats  
Gorham, New Hampshire

Dear Mr. Ferrante:

May I acknowledge receipt of your letter of May 28th and also express my sincere appreciation to you for writing to voice your enthusiastic approval of Father Paul Aube and his ministry to the youth of the Berlin area.

I am pleased to know that Father Aube was so instrumental in helping you and your family. Your comments come as no surprise, however, because I have always known him to be an extremely capable and dedicated young priest.

It is understandable that you are upset over the news of his transfer, but I am sure that you realize that there are many instances where the needs of the Diocese require that a priest be moved, even though he is doing very effective work in his present assignment.

It is my fervent hope and prayer that you will show this same spirit of cooperation and loyalty to your new priests in the Berlin area, and I wish to assure you that the thoughts which you have shared with me will be given serious and prayerful consideration.

With every good wish, I am

Cordially in Christ,

Bishop of Manchester

7 Cascade Flats  
Gorham, N. H.  
May 28, 1975

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Rev. Odore Gendron  
153 Ash St.  
Manchester, N. H.

Dear Sir,

May I request a moment of your time Please? Sometimes last year, in one of my restaurants, I met a young priest, the Rev. Paul Aube. First of all, please understand, I was not at the time a model Christian, though supposedly a member of St. Benedict's Parish.

Fr. Aube soon gained my admiration because of his work with the youth of his parish. Later he gained my confidence, and last week, he heard my confession. After almost 20 years, I received communion. Somehow, he reached me where others failed. He made me visualize my own potential as a man, husband, and father. After 25 years, my marriage was about to break-up, but since I've found peace within myself, and with my God, I hope our home life will improve. I'm confident that with Fr. Aube's counseling, and my wife's cooperation, we will find peace and love in our home once more.

My wife and I are deeply hurt to hear that Fr. Aube will soon be transferred. It is such a critical time for us. It is also a loss to the whole community. Since our parish, St. Benedict's is without a pastor, we respectfully request that you consider sending him here. I 'm sure that you must be aware how badly this parish is doing. The youth desperately need guidance, the elderly need reassurance. These are things that didn't concern me a year ago. Yet, now I am ready to pledge my help and support to the man who befriended me, and reunited me with God and my family.

I firmly believe that Fr. Aube would succeed at St. Benedict's. He is young, energetic and personable, yet understanding and compassionate. Furthermore, and perhaps most important, I feel that he would be accepted. Through his youth programs and our business, he has been in contact with other parishoners, and has made many friends.

I humbly implore you to give this matter your utmost consideration, and I will pray that God will guide you to the right decision, though His will be done!

I will appreciate some acknowledgement of this letter, so that I may be assured that it has reached you, and that you have given the matter some consideration

Sincerely,

Your humble servant,



Anthony C. Ferrante.

February 18, 1975

Miss Pauline Arguin  
400 Forbush Avenue  
Berlin, New Hampshire 03570

Dear Pauline:

May I thank you for your letter of February 12th concerning Father Aube and expressing your enthusiastic approval of his priestly work in Guardian Angel Parish.

Your positive comments and praise of Father Aube came as no surprise to me, however, because I have always known him to be a very zealous, dedicated, and Christlike priest. Nevertheless it is always good to hear such favorable comments from our people, because more often than not a bishop hears only of the problems and negative reactions to various parochial situations.

I assure you that before Father Aube or any other priest is transferred from a parish a great deal of serious consideration goes into such a move, both on the part of the bishop and that of the Diocesan Personnel Board. Changes are made only when it clearly appears to be for the good of the Church, the parishes involved, and the individual priest as well.

Understandably at times it is difficult for people to have a priest leave a parish where he is doing effective work, but we must always take into consideration the good of the whole diocese and realize that this particular priest's special talents are also very much needed in another area.

Once again I thank you for sharing your thoughts with me and assure you that whatever changes may be made in any of our parishes will be done only after much prayer and thoughtful deliberation.

With every prayerful good wish, I am

Cordially in Christ,

Bishop of Manchester

February 12, 1975

Dear Most Rev. Odoro Condron:

First of all let me congratulate you on your recent ordination as Bishop. I realize that your position as Bishop is very important. Your position must be very difficult now, since you are just beginning. You have very many changes and decisions to make. At this time I also realize that you will probably transfer some of the priest in the parishes, to different places.

You are probably wondering why a sixteen year old teenager is writing to you, well I will tell you why. I live in Berlin NH and belong to Guardian Angel Parish. Religion a few weeks ago did not mean very much to me. I wanted to give up going to Church. I would go to Church because I had to and not because I wanted to. There is this very special person who entered my life about a month ago and changed it all. His name is Father Paul Aube, of Guardian Angel Parish in Berlin NH. He made me realize many things such as who I am and who God is. God means a lot to me now and I am starting to communicate with Him which I had never done before.

I also use to be a very shy person, who did not talk in groups. Father Paul helped me change by introducing me to new friends and many other things. I am now Secretary of the Youth Committee of my Parish and on the Staff of the organization that Father Paul has started. It also took a lot of courage to write this letter to you.

He means a great deal to me and is helping me very much. He is someone I can talk to when I have a problem, or when I am sad. He is also helping many other adults and teenagers.

I am asking you if you have any ideas to transfer him, please do not. It is probably a lot to ask, but I would appreciate it very much and so will many others. He has not been at our Parish for a long time, but he has surely done a lot for us. I am praying that he will stay because we need him very much. Thank you very much for taking the time and patients to read my letter. I appreciate it very much.

Respectfully yours,

*Pauline Arquin*

*Amelia Paul*  
- 2778

October 15, 1973

Mrs. Constance Howe  
Thrasher Road  
Claremont, N.H. 03743

Dear Mrs. Howe:

I have before me your recent letter requesting that Father Paul Aube be retained as associate pastor of St. Mary Parish in Claremont. I regret that this was not possible at the time you wrote nor has it become possible since then. I am grateful for the charitable manner in which you presented your request and I thank you for it most sincerely.

It is most difficult for a person in authority to make and to implement decisions affecting the well-being of an individual and those whom he serves. This is especially true in the matter of our priests who are doing their work seriously and with devotion. Our Personnel Board gave careful consideration to the problems involved before making its recommendations. For what were considered genuine diocesan pastoral considerations, the decision was made to use Father Aube's talents in another area.

May I thank you for your interest in Father Aube's remaining at Saint Mary Parish. I appreciate your letting me know your thoughts and am grateful.

With every good wish, I am

Cordially in Christ,

Bishop of Manchester



Oct 7, 1973

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Dear Bishop Primeaux,

I am a concerned parishioner of St. Mary in Claremont, and this letter is in regard to the transfer of Fr. Paul. This young priest has done much for the youth of our parish & a mother of 3 children all of whom attended St. Mary School. I know this to be true, since Fr. Paul arrived here the Church attendance has increased noticeably among the teen set.

It's hard for me to understand how come each & every time we get a young priest with a lot on the ball, he gets a transfer.

As a nurse at the Claremont General Hospital I have called him many times with problems of my patients & he has responded each time with prompt attention. And he never questions he comes to their aid. Whenever he is called to come due to an emergency in the unit (CCU) he doesn't say "Is this an emergency" or "Can't this wait til morning" He just comes & is always there & never complains. This I cannot say of all I have called over 5 years.

I have never felt so free to talk to anyone as I have with him. I feel at ease with him in any situation. I feel like he is just another human being with faults & problems of his own, altho he never complains - you get this feeling,

Well anyway Honorable Sir, I would sure appreciate an answer to the very perplexing question as to why must a man who is doing such a good job + right in a good point in time we he has helped + is helping the young troubled of our people transferred. I know I am speaking for many + I hope that they will take the time to write you also.

I am not trying to imply that our other projects are not doing a good job also, its just that Mr. Cule hasn't had a chance to finish what he's started + might do more harm than good if he leaves. Some of the kids are at the point where they are just now starting to put their trust in the first person they've been able to in their young lives.

Thank you much for listening to me

Mrs Constance Howe  
- Teacher Ret

Claremont, N. H.

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*Aube Paul*  
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October 15, 1973

Mrs. Nancy Cotrupi  
2 Memorial Drive  
Claremont, N.H.

Dear Mrs. Cotrupi:

I have before me your letter of October 4th requesting that Father Paul Aube be retained as associate pastor of St. Mary Parish in Claremont. I regret that this was not possible at the time you wrote nor has it become possible since then. I am grateful for the charitable manner in which you presented your request and I thank you for it most sincerely.

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Cordially in Christ,

Bishop of Manchester

P.E. 2 Memorial Drive  
Claremont, N.H.

2782  
Oct 4, 1975

Bishop Primeau,

I am the hostess at Cyril's Steak House in Claremont, where you ate Sunday night. I wanted so very much to speak to you Sunday, but somehow we were all too busy, so I decided to write you a letter. I have so much to say, I hardly know where to begin. Let me say, first of all, that I have never felt so sad because of a Priest's departure as I am where Father Aube is concerned. I can't begin to tell you all that he's done for me and my family since we've known him. I was a nurse at the hospital for 3 years, and there wasn't a nurse or

doctor there that didn't love him, and count on his help with patients more than any other Priest. There was always that special dedication, that sincerity that glowed from him. Most of all, and certainly, most important, the young people of Claremont will miss him terribly. For them, I feel most sad. He has a special rapport with them that is beautiful to see. It's too bad that you couldn't have been here to see it. Teenagers that had been troubled and hard to handle were suddenly showing up at Father Abbes mass. They considered him a friend & they knew he cared. At the hospital, we had a lot of youngsters come in after

taking overdoses. The first person they wanted to stay with them was Father Cube.

I have four children and for the first time this year, after talking to Father Cube, asked to go to his Mass.

They actually enjoyed it and I enjoyed taking them so much. I have never seen so many of my friends, so many nurses, so many policemen, sorrowed at a Priest's leaving. It seems unbelievable, that, at a time, when we all began to depend on him so much and need him so, that he would be taken away from us. And so is the reason for my letter, not only to tell you how much I love him,

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but to ask you why. I, and my friends and neighbors, feel resentful of this decision. We feel that we have a right to ask why. I can understand that all Priests have to leave, eventually, but I can't understand why a Priest must leave just when he is doing the most good, just when these young people who have faith in him, are beginning to turn to God for the first time. I have talked to many of his young friends and they truly feel that they have personally been let down. It is easy to see the damage that his leaving has done already. This comes from not understanding and I

feel the same. If we are to have a parish that we love, we must feel that we have something to say about our Priests. I feel that the parish members should be consulted before we lose a Priest who has been here such a short time. I would like to know why these decisions are made without someone like yourself or our Pastor taking the time to find out how we all feel about it, and how much hard feeling a transfer might cause if it comes at the wrong time.

I'm sure you, Bishop, are going to see what a difference Father's leaving will make, especially in the young.



They've never had anyone like him before, and there isn't a Priest there now that can take his place.

Please answer my letter as soon as possible Bishop.

I am truly concerned. There has been so much resentment and conflict among parish members since the announcement of his leaving. Please help me to understand why no one took the time to find out how important it was to have Father Aube here at this time, when all his good work was just beginning to show. I shall depend on an answer from you.

Sincerely and respectfully,  
Wdncy Cotrupi

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Oct. 8, 1973

Bishop Primeau,  
I am writing to you in  
regards to Father Cube being  
transferred from St. Mary's Parish.  
It seems that when we have a  
Sine young Priest who is doing an  
exceptional job that they are  
transferred. Now you tell me  
what this accomplishes.

I don't know him personally,  
but I have three children who  
go to St. Mary's Grammar school, ages  
9-10-11. My children have nothing  
but good to say about him. I  
would appreciate a reply.  
Thank you.

Mrs. Corinne Mercer  
Elm St. Rt. R. D. 2  
Claremont, N.H.

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October 5, 1981

Rev. Paul L. Aube  
Holy Rosary Rectory  
189 North Main Street  
Rochester, N. H. 03867

Dear Father Aube:

Subsequent to our recent conversation and upon the approval of the Diocesan Personnel Board, this letter will serve to confirm your appointment as Chaplain of the Concord Hospital and the nursing homes in the area, effective October 9th, 1981.

In this capacity it is understood that you will reside at Saint Peter's Church in Concord, New Hampshire, and that you will be responsible, on a daily basis, for providing Mass to the Sisters at the Carmelite Monastery in Concord. It is further understood that you will be directly responsible in this ministry to Father John P. Quinn, the Vicar for Community Affairs.

It is my hope that this new ministry will prove to be personally satisfying to you and that, in turn, your work will be fruitful and spiritually beneficial to all those you touch.

With every good wish, I am

Cordially in Christ,

Bishop of Manchester

cc: Rev. John P. Quinn

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October 5, 1981

Very Rev. William L. Quirk, V.F.  
Saint Peter Rectory  
135 North State Street  
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

Dear Father Quirk:

This letter is to inform you that effective October 9th, 1981, I have appointed the Reverend Conrad V. LaForest as Associate Pastor at Saint Mary Parish in Manchester. He will be replaced as Chaplain of the Concord City Hospital and the nursing homes of the area by the Reverend Paul L. Aube, effective the same date. Father Aube will be in residence at Saint Peter's, under the same arrangements as pertained to Father Scahill, and will also be responsible to provide the daily Mass for the Sisters at the Carmelite Monastery.

It is my hope that this appointment will prove spiritually beneficial to all involved and, as Dean, if there are any questions in regard to it please feel free to contact Father John P. Quinn, the Episcopal Vicar for Community Affairs, to whom Father Aube is directly responsible.

With every good wish, I am

Cordially in Christ

Bishop of Manchester

October 5, 1981

Mr. Richard Warner  
Administrator, Concord Hospital  
250 Pleasant Street  
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

Dear Mr. Warner:

I am pleased to inform you that as of October 9th, 1981, I have appointed Father Paul L. Aube as Chaplain of the Concord Hospital. As in the case of previous Chaplains, he will reside at Saint Peter's Parish in Concord. It is my hope that his work with the sick people of your institution will prove fruitful.

Please feel free to be in touch with Father John P. Quinn, the Vicar for Community Affairs of the Diocese of Manchester, if he can be of any further service to you in regard to Catholic Chaplain services.

With every good wish, I am

Cordially in Christ,

Bishop of Manchester

cc: Rev. John P. Quinn

October 5, 1981

Rev. Msgr. Gilles J. Simard  
Holy Rosary Rectory  
189 North Main Street  
Rochester, New Hampshire 03867

Dear Monsignor Simard:

Subsequent to our recent conversation and upon the recommendation of the Diocesan Personnel Board, this letter will confirm the appointment of the Reverend Paul L. Aube to Chaplaincy at the Concord Hospital and nursing homes, effective October 9th, 1981.

He will be replaced as Associate Pastor of Holy Rosary Parish by the Reverend Maurice Martineau, effective October 15th, 1981. I have every confidence that Father Martineau will work fruitfully with you in providing for the spiritual needs of the fine people of your parish.

With every good wish, I am

Bishop of Manchester

September 3, 1976

Reverend Raymond S. Desjardins  
St. Aloysius Rectory  
48 West Hollis Street  
Nashua, New Hampshire 03060

Dear Father Desjardins:

This letter will serve to inform you that upon the recommendation of the Diocesan Personnel Board, I am appointing the Reverend Paul L. Aube as Associate Pastor of Holy Rosary Parish, Rochester, effective on Wednesday, September 15th.

Father Aube will be replaced at St. Aloysius Parish by the Reverend Adrien R. Longchamps who will report to you as Associate Pastor on September 15th.

I have every confidence that Father Longchamps will work effectively with you to serve the needs of your people.

With every prayerful good wish, I am

Cordially in Christ,

Bishop of Manchester



*Paul Aube*

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September 3, 1976

Reverend Paul L. Aube  
St. Aloysius Rectory  
48 West Hollis Street  
Nashua, New Hampshire 03060

Dear Father Aube:

Subsequent to our recent conversation and upon the recommendation of the Diocesan Personnel Board, I am pleased to confirm your appointment as Associate Pastor of Holy Rosary Parish, Rochester, effective on Wednesday, September 15th.

Please accept my good wishes and prayers for a happy and fruitful ministry to the people of Rochester. I am confident that you will work most effectively with Msgr. Simard and Father Blais to serve the needs of your people. If at any time I can be of assistance to you in any possible way, please do not hesitate to call upon me.

With every prayerful good wish, I am

Cordially in Christ,

Bishop of Manchester

May 22, 1975

Rev. Paul L. Aube  
Guardian Angel Rectory  
593 Sullivan Street  
Berlin, New Hampshire 03570

Dear Father Aube:

Subsequent to our recent conversation and upon the recommendation of the Diocesan Personnel Board, I am pleased to confirm your appointment as associate pastor of St. Aloysius Parish, Nashua, effective on Wednesday, June 11, 1975.

May I take this opportunity to wish you a happy and fruitful ministry to the people of Nashua and assure you of my continued prayers.

With every prayerful good wish, I am

Cordially in Christ,

Bishop of Manchester

May 22, 1975

Rev. Raymond S. Desjardins  
St. Aloysius Rectory  
48 West Hollis Street  
Nashua, New Hampshire 03060

Dear Father Desjardins:

This letter will serve to inform you that upon the recommendation of the Diocesan Personnel Board I am appointing the Reverend Gerard Desmarais as Associate Pastor of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish, Manchester, effective on Wednesday, June 11, 1975.

Also effective on June 11th Father Paul L. Aube will report to you as associate pastor of St. Aloysius Parish.

I am also appointing the Reverend Roger Yves Tremblay Associate Pastor of St. Augustine Parish, Manchester, effective on Friday, June 27, 1975.

With the assurance of my continued prayers and good wishes, I am

Cordially in Christ,

Bishop of Manchester

*Aube Paul*  
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February 28, 1974

Rev. Paul L. Aube  
Guardian Angel Parish  
593 Sullivan Street  
Berlin, N.H. 03570

Dear Father Aube:

This letter will serve to appoint you officially as the administrator of Guardian Angel Parish, Berlin, effective February 28, 1974 for the duration of Father Simard's studies in Rome. It is understood that you are hereby authorized to conduct both the spiritual and temporal affairs of the parish, including the withdrawal of money from parish accounts, should the need arise. This letter will serve to introduce you to the bank for such purposes.

Please accept my sincere thanks for your willingness to assume the administration of the parish during Father Simard's absence.

With every prayerful good wish, I am

Cordially in Christ,

Apostolic Administrator

*Aube Paul L.*  
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September 18, 1973

Very Rev. Hector O. LaMontagne, V.F.  
Saint Mary Rectory  
32 Pearl Street  
Claremont, New Hampshire 03743

Dear Father LaMontagne:

This letter is to inform you that I am appointing the Reverend Paul L. Aube associate pastor of Guardian Angel Parish, Berlin, effective at noon on Wednesday, October 10, 1973. He will be succeeded at Saint Mary's parish by the Reverend Leo A. Shea who will report to you on October 10th.

Father Shea is a very capable and dedicated priest, and I am confident that he will work effectively with you and Father Simoneau to serve the needs of the people of Saint Mary's Parish.

With every prayerful good wish, I am

Cordially in Christ,

Bishop of Manchester

*Aube. Paul*  
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September 18, 1973

Rev. Robert S. Simard  
Guardian Angel Parish  
593 Sullivan Street  
Berlin, N.H. 03570

Dear Father Simard:

I am pleased to inform you that upon the recommendation of the Diocesan Personnel Board I am appointing the Reverend Paul L. Aube as Associate Pastor of Guardian Angel Parish, effective at noon on Wednesday, October 10, 1973.

Father Aube is an energetic and dedicated young priest, and I have every confidence that you and he will work effectively together to serve the needs of Guardian Angel Parish. If I can be of assistance to you in any possible way please do not hesitate to call upon me at any time.

With every prayerful good wish, I am

Cordially in Christ,

Bishop of Manchester

*Aube*

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September 18, 1973

Rev. Paul L. Aube  
Saint Mary Rectory  
32 Pearl Street  
Claremont, N.H. 03743

Dear Father Aube:

Subsequent to our recent conversation and upon the recommendation of the Diocesan Personnel Board I wish to confirm your appointment as Associate Pastor of Guardian Angel Parish, Berlin, effective at noon on Wednesday, October 10, 1973. You will be succeeded at Saint Mary Parish by the Reverend Leo A. Shea.

Please be assured of my continued prayers and good wishes as you assume the responsibilities of your new assignment and my willingness to be of assistance to you in any possible way.

Cordially in Christ,

Bishop of Manchester

April 7, 1972

Rev. Paul Aube  
Saint Mary Parish  
32 Pearl Street  
Claremont, N.H.

Dear Father Aube:

In response to the request contained in your letter dated March 28, 1972 I am pleased to grant you permission to serve as chaplain in the Civil Air Patrol. You may so inform the Military Ordinariate.

With every good wish, I am

Cordially in Christ,

Bishop of Manchester



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*Saint Mary Parish*  
32 PEARL STREET  
CLAREMONT, NEW HAMPSHIRE

March 28, 1972

Bishop Ernest J. Primeau  
Chancery Office  
153 Ash St.  
Manchester, N.H. 03105

Dear Bishop:

I have been asked to serve as chaplain in the Civil Air Patrol, Auxiliary of the United States Air Force.

It must be approved by you and endorsed by the Military Vicar. Therefore, I respectfully request Your Excellency's approval to serve in the Civil Air Patrol chaplaincy.

This approval should be sent to me for inclusion in my Chaplain Appointment Application packet.

Yours truly,

*Paul L. Aube*  
Rev. Paul Aube

PA/a

May 22, 1970

Very Rev. Armand J. Provost, V.F.  
St. Mary Rectory  
32 Pearl Street  
Claremont, N.H. 03743

Dear Father Provost:

I wish to inform you that I am transferring the Reverend Robert A. Champagne to assistant pastor of Blessed Sacrament Parish, Manchester, New Hampshire.

As his replacement, I am assigning the Reverend Paul L. Aube as assistant pastor of Saint Mary Parish, Claremont, New Hampshire. Father Aube is a newly-ordained priest for the service of the Diocese of Manchester.

These assignments are effective on Wednesday, June 3, 1970.

With every good wish, I am

Cordially in Christ,

Bishop of Manchester

May 22, 1970

Rev. Paul L. Aube  
368 Portland Street  
Berlin, New Hampshire

Dear Father Aube:

I wish to confirm your appointment as assistant pastor of Saint Mary Parish, Claremont, New Hampshire, effective on Wednesday, June 3, 1970.

With every personal good wish and a blessing as you begin your priestly service to the People of God in your first assignment, I am

Cordially in Christ,

Bishop of Manchester

February 16, 1970

Rev. Mr. Paul L. Aube  
368 Portland Street  
Berlin, New Hampshire

Reverend and Dear Mr. Aube:

You are hereby appointed to assist Father Leo Frechette, administrator of the parish of Saint Aloysius in Nashua. This assignment is effective on Thursday, February 19th. You will receive the customary 75% of a curate's salary and travel allowance.

Father Thomas Bresnahan, Director of Vocations, will keep in touch with you and report on your work in the parish. Since the Deacon Program is in its experimental stage in the diocese, it will be necessary to adjust it from time to time.

I hope that you will be happy in your work in Nashua. There is much to be done there and I feel certain that you will be of great assistance to the priests of the parish.

With a blessing and every good wish, I am

Cordially in Christ,

Bishop of Manchester

cc: Fr. Bresnahan

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Fr. Bresnahan  
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February 16, 1970

Rev. Mr. Paul L. Aube  
368 Portland Street  
Berlin, New Hampshire

Reverend and Dear Mr. Aube:

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With a blessing and every good wish, I am

Cordially in Christ,

Bishop of Manchester

cc: Fr. Bresnahan

*Handwritten initials*

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June 10, 1969

Mr. Paul Aube  
368 Portland Street  
Berlin, New Hampshire

Dear Paul:

This will confirm your assignment to Our Lady of the Mountains Parish, North Conway, New Hampshire for work as a Deacon during the summer vacation. We understand that Father Daniszewski expects you on June 21st but we hope he will be able to take you sooner than that.

I have checked your file and find that my letter to you was mailed May 23rd and went to the seminary in Jaffrey Center. Since you have not received it, you might do well to contact the seminary and ask that your mail be forwarded.

With cordial good wishes, I am

Sincerely in Christ,

Rev. Msgr. Thomas S. Hansberry  
Vicar General

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