

1/23/98

Dear Frank,

Thanks for your card and happy anniversary. I hope you celebrated as many times as you did your 25th & 35th. I'm still thinking about mine. I asked the rizzo's if I could use the wine cellar. They've done extensive rennoviations since you've seen it last.

Flash.....Jack Mink (Now head of personnel) sent a letter out to the boys. St. Thomas the Apostle on Bancroft Parkway is open for applications IMMEDIATLEY. (What kind of a mess must that be in?)

If John O'Brian puts in for it,(He's not setting the Sharpley world a blaze) I'll try again to get Mary Magdalen again.

Mink just stated;they needed somebody immediatley . We'll probably never know or see [redacted] again. Remember those days in the seminary when somebody just upped and disappeared. Perhaps a letter of explanation will follow. I hope [redacted] is OK. He's always been a hard worker,people oriented pastoral minded priest. That's the way I've always seen him. (Maybe he wanted Mary Magdalen ?)

The Bishop reserves the right to appoint pastors in all open-placement appointments. (That's always in the letter too.)

I decided to wait til the bishop finds my phone number and let him personally appoint me instead of applying from now on. I think I'd have a better chance at getting something decent.

I'm having a great time here at Holy Angels with Richard ,Grasing and Carlene. It's like the new T.V. Show "Nothing Sacred." If you 've watched it a couple of time you'd swear the script was coming from our offices. Richard is Ray;Carlene is MO;John is the younger priest;which leaves me as the old guy with all the wisdom and matter of factness.The folks love us to death and we are doing some neat things. Many lay-ministries,lot of participation in the organizations around parish. We had one hell of a New Years Eve parish party in the hall. John was the mater de, I bussed tables believe it or not and Carlene and richard were the Host and Hostess. We sold 165 tickets. Music was a disc jockey. he was alright. The music was good cause he had all kinds. Finished up around 2:00 A.M. Was in bed by 3:00 A.M.(yes bishop, alone.) I had my open-house in Arundel New Years day. Did the 7:30 Mass at St. Anns' for Joe McMahon. ([redacted - Non-Resp

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I'm still at A.I Dupont as the chaplain. Norm Carroll and Danny Gerres will be covering me while I'm recuperating from my prostate surgery in Feb. I'll be back up to work again when I return from Sicily Marcch 19th.

Well, runing out of paper. This was suppose to be a note. All the best from an executive member of the Priest Council.How'bout that.

Oh Yea! I met the "Wienies from Wildwood" through Carlene. Very nice folks. Still go to Wildwood. Loved you. Were very happy that you were so thoughtful to remember them at the Annivrsary of their Dads' death.

Frank all the best,



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"Baumby in Corinth"
Except for the clothes
Don't I look alot like
St. Paul?



"If this is what I've found in Florence !"

"Who knows what the possibilities will be
in Sicily".

(I go for prostate surgery Feb.5th.)
Do you think ne had trouble?