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Dear Parish Family,

I just finished writing my Sunday letter for you. Because of bulletin deadline I had to write it a few days before. As I thought about what I wrote some more thoughts came up, suggesting I should have included them in my Sunday letter. Anyway here's some more thoughts.

After celebrating my 25th in the priesthood, I decided to celebrate the anniversary every five years in a special way, meaning together with family, relatives, friends and most especially with parishioners. The 30th and 35th anniversaries were celebrated gloriously and very well attended as well.

Though my 40th ordination anniversary was low key in the sense that there were restrictions placed upon us because of the pandemic, I still feel the celebration we had was as glorious as ever. We gathered as God's children and offered our joint gratitude to the Almighty for the special gift of the priesthood. As a man is taken from among men by God to act in the person of Christ as His priest, the raising of our minds and hearts in prayers of gratitude, makes new once again that calling to serve God and His people. Realizing that was certainly an awesome experience and with the same magnitude as the earlier celebrated anniversaries. Your prayers and presence made my 40th anniversary outstanding. Thank you!

This coming Saturday, Daniel Cardinal DiNardo will visit our parish to administer the sacrament of confirmation to our young men and women. For some time they have prepared themselves by study, prayer and service for this sacrament of maturity. What an exciting time for them! Also at this celebration will be the blessing of our new statues and crucifix. The seating in the church is already reserved for the candidates, their sponsors and parents and a few guests. So others coming will need to attend the service in the Family Life Center. We are also planning to live stream it on our YouTube channel in addition to our normal live stream of the 10:00am Sunday mass. Hope you can witness this special moment in our parish.

Peace,

Fr. Dwight

P.S. Please encourage your daughters and sons, ages 9 - 14, to participate on the KC Free Throw Contest in the OLQP Gym this Sunday at 3:00pm.