**Message from Fr. Rob**

Greetings to the beloved of God in Hamilton. I am doing well, and I am very thankful to have this time away. I am thankful that the archdiocese allowed me to get the help I needed. I share with you some simple, but helpful things that I have learned during the past four months.

No one can do it on his own. Whether it is living the Christian life or simply being emotionally healthy, no one can do it alone.

Progress, not perfection. All of us are growing, and that’s okay. It’s good to have goals, and sometimes it is also important to be able to accept where we are right now.

God is faithful. Well, I’ve always known this one. It’s just good to acknowledge that He has been with me - and with you - in this process.

Thank you, also, to Fr. Pucke, Fr. Hoffmann, and to the staff of the pastoral region, who have continued to serve the people of God in Hamilton while I am away.

By now all of you or almost all of you have heard that I will not continue as pastor after July 1st. I have been assigned to a family of parishes in the north of the archdiocese that includes Celina and St. Mary’s. I was happily surprised when I learned of the assignment because I will be very close to my mom and three brothers. (Remember none of us can do it alone, so it is a blessing to have family nearby.)

I will be back in Hamilton in May and June before all the assignment changes in the archdiocese officially begin in July. I'll truly miss celebrating Easter with you this year.