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Dear fellow Parishioners of St Jude:

Having lived with and worked under six pastors, I have learned that each pastor has his own unique way of shepherding. And I am no different.

As I complete my first year as your pastor, I truly appreciate the support and cooperation that has been given to me. You have allowed and enabled me to lead in my own way.

During the past twelve months, together we have had the opportunity to focus on “parishioner involvement.” Permit me to express my gratitude to all of you, the faithful of St Jude, for all you have done in the parish to help me find my way.

With spring behind and summer here, we see the beauty of our campus. I offer many thanks to you who make our parish so beautiful.

Many thanks to all of you who have knelt in our church and stormed the heavens with your prayers, asking God to rain blessings down upon us.

Many thanks to all of you who have participated in all of our shared meals and other social events, during which we have continued to grow and bond as a faith community.

Many thanks to the ministry volunteers whose efforts make our parish so vibrant.

Many thanks to all of you who have stepped up into leadership roles and have committed your time, talent and treasure to take our parish forward.

And the biggest thanks go to you, the entire St Jude family, who come here into the church on a regular basis to worship God, as together we build faith, family and community.

Please join me in enjoying summer! Relax. For those of you who will vacation in the country or at the lakeside, think of the twenty-third psalm as you head to green pastures or still waters, where the Lord will restore your souls. Then let us all come back refreshed to start our second year together to discover where the Spirit will lead us as a Parish Family, united in love and buoyed up by God’s grace.

Sincerely, Fr Henry Hoffman