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Dear Parish Family,

I am writing this to you to let you know that, after much prayer and reflection, I have decided to leave the priesthood. I believe that this is the best direction for my life and I want you to know that I make this decision with full faith and confidence in our Lord and with the support of my family and those closest to me. I want you all to know that you have made my time here as your priest such a wonderful experience and I cannot thank you enough for your kindness to me. Most especially, I am very grateful for the wonderful friendships that I've made with so many of you and I look forward to continuing those.

As I depart the parish, I want you to know that I will still be remaining in the area. But during this transition period, I ask that if you would like to contact me to please do so through the parish office at St. Joseph in Olney.

Lastly, I ask for your prayers right now as I seek to begin a new path in service of God and others.

In Christ,

Father Brett