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Dear Parishioners and School Parents,

It is with sadness that I must tell you about a recent report of an inappropriate relationship involving Fr. Brendan Curran, OP, and an adult single woman. The relationship took place some time ago and it has ended. It has only recently been brought to our attention.

Fr. Brendan acknowledged that he exercised poor judgment, that his actions were inappropriate, and that there are consequences.

Since Fr. Brendan is a religious order priest and a member of the Dominican community, I was informed about the relationship. We conducted a review of these events in collaboration with the Archdiocese of Chicago's Office for Religious. At the conclusion of the review on Thursday April 30th, Archbishop Cupich revoked Father Brendan's faculties.. We have decided that Fr. Brendan will leave St. Pius V and the Archdiocese. He will live in another Dominican community and begin a program of spiritual healing and reconciliation.

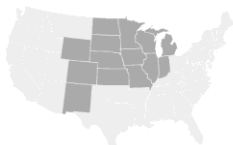
To be clear, there is no indication or allegation of any action reflecting sexual misconduct with minors.

I will ask the Archbishop to appoint a temporary administrator Fr. Tom Lynch, OP, as soon as possible. A new pastor will be named before July 1. If you would like to speak with someone about specific concerns you may have, please contact me at (312) 243-0011.

Sincerely yours,

Fr. Charles E. Bouchard, O.P.
Prior Provincial

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