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Minutes of the 795th Provincial Council Meeting October 26-27, 2009, Hales Corners, Wisconsin

PRESENT: Fr Thomas Cassidy, provincial superior; Fr Yvon Sheehy, Fr Vien Nguyen, Fr. Jack Kurps, Fr. Jim Brackin and Dn. David Nagel, councilors; Br. Frank Presto, provincial secretary; Mary Gorski, minutes. Fr. Thi Pham joined the council for discussion of vocation issues and Br. Ray Kozuch presented information about the Home Mission Leadership Conference.

I. Minutes — The council acknowledged that they had voted to approve the minutes of the 794th council meeting during a prior conference call.

II. Personal Sharing — The council took a few minutes to update each other on themselves and their ministries. Among the items noted: Fr. Brackin, Fr. Michael van der Peet and Fr. Paul Casper have moved out of the old convent section of Villa Maria in preparation for its demolition. The structure will be razed for the construction of Sacred Heart at Monastery Lake. Fr. Brackin is in a nearby apartment, Fr. van der Peet is at Sacred Heart Monastery and Fr. Casper has taken a spare room at Villa Maria. Fr. Brackin said that the community is doing well with the transition.

III. Administration

A. Visitations — Fr. Cassidy reported on recent visitations.

1. Texas — Visiting Houston, Raymondville and San Antonio, Fr. Cassidy was able to meet with everyone in Texas except Fr. Peter Mastrobuono, whom he will see in December. In Houston, Fr. Joseph Dinh seems to be doing well in his studies; he is primarily involved in practicum work now. Fr. Ed Kilianski is an effective pastor at Our Lady of Guadalupe and enjoys the ministry. Work on the new community house is expected to begin soon after building permits are finalized.

Fr. Rick DiLeo continues to be very busy tending to the needs of his mother. Fr. Richard Johnston does not live full-time in Houston but visits regularly and is a good support to Fr. Kilianski.

Fr. Cassidy visited with Fr. Nick Brown and Br. Frank Snider in San Antonio. The two generally get together twice a week. Both seem to be doing well; Br. Snider will soon be 65 but would like to continue teaching, not retire.

In Raymondville Fr. Cassidy met with Fr. Frank Clancy, Fr. Frank Wittouck and Fr. Richard MacDonald. Fr. Clancy was getting ready to return to the hospital for foot surgery. He is in good spirits and appreciates the support of the community while he deals with health concerns. Fr. Wittouck is 72 and would like to conclude his assignment in Raymondville. Fr. Cassidy said that Fr. Wittouck will begin a six-month sabbatical in San Antonio in January.

Fr. Cassidy spoke with the community about the SCJs' future in the area. Soon after the council meeting, Fr. Cassidy was to send Bishop Peña a letter about the province's plans for ministry in Willacy County during the next year. He will note that Fr. Wittouck is going on sabbatical in January and that Fr. Michael Burke has agreed to serve in Willacy County for three months after Fr. Wittouck leaves. Fr. Cassidy will also state that the Provincial Council is exploring options regarding future ministry in the area.

2. Mississippi — Fr. Cassidy found a good spirit in the Mississippi community. Fr. Bob Tucker is settling in and the reorganized pastoral team has had good meetings under the facilitation of Fr. Kurps. Among the topics of discussion is the role of the team moderator.

Fr. Leonard Elder is doing well in Holly Springs and is an active pastor with groups in the parish. Fr. Cassidy was not able to see Fr. Terry Langley, but will when he is at the church dedication on January 10 in Robinsonville.

- B. Pinellas Park Community — Fr. Cassidy said that the community in Pinellas Park has contracted with a food service. The service hired the employees who were working at the community's kitchen. However, one has left and another was moved to a different location after receiving further training. A cook employed by the food service is running the kitchen but will need more assistance.
- C. Vocation Department — Fr. Sheehy will head a committee of SCJs who will brainstorm on vocation issues. Fr. Sheehy hopes to bring the committee together for a meeting on December 2.

Fr. Thi Pham, vocation director, updated the council on the work of the vocation office. He noted that the poster has been mailed and that the calendar is just about ready to go to the printer. The office has several visits planned in the next week and a potential candidate is going to visit the Dehon Formation Community in Chicago during the first weekend in November. Another potential candidate is going to visit South Dakota. Fr. Pham noted the difficulty of having Come and See weekends during football season. High school students are more available in the winter semester than fall.

Councilors asked Fr. Pham if there was anything that they could do to assist the vocation office. Fr. Pham asked for the council's support. He noted the difficulty of being asked the question, "How many candidates do you have?"

- D. Admissions Board — The council voted to approve Frs. Ed Kilianski, Tony Russo and Charles Wonch to a three-year term on the Admissions Board. The full board includes: Fr. Joe Dean (term ends July 31, 2011), Fr. Charles Bisgrove (2011), Fr. Paul Kelly (2010), Fr. Ed Kilianski (2012), Fr. Rick DiLeo (2011), Fr. Tony Russo (2012), Fr. Robert Tucker (2010), Fr. Jim Walters (2010), and Fr. Charles Wonch (2012).
- E. Province Handbook — Br. Presto is updating the various province policies. Originally these were in one handbook and now they are topically separated into different booklets. Br. Presto asked councilors if they would like to review updated policies piecemeal or all at once. Councilors suggested that the policies be reviewed in sectional groupings.
- F. Home Mission Leadership Conference — Br. Ray Kozuch updated the council on the work of the Home Mission Leadership Conference; Br. Kozuch represents the province at the conference's annual meeting. The HMLC had its first meeting in 2000. It came about through a combined effort of the U.S. Conference for Catholic Bishops Secretariate for the Missions, 12 religious communities and three funding agencies. With declining membership in religious communities, the HMLC seeks collaborative ways to continue the missions of the various communities and meet the needs of home missions.

The first focus of the HMLC was the formation of lay leadership. This resulted in the organization's support of the Congar Institute, which trains lay ministers (the Priests of the Sacred Heart have donated \$3,000 to Congar). The HMLC is now focusing on immigration issues.

- G. January St. Louis Gathering — The planning committee for the province gatherings recently met in Chicago. Fr. Kurps, chairperson of the committee, shared with the council a packet that the committee plans to soon send to the membership. In the packet are conversation starters concerning several sections of the Constitutions. Members of the province will be asked to reflect alone and with others on these sections. It is hoped that reflection and discussion of the cited Constitution numbers will be good preparation for continued conversations at the province gathering in January.

Invitations are to go out in the next two weeks. Responses will go to Fr. Kurps' office. The novices will be invited to take part.

Fr. Kurps is going to look into the possibility of having Mass in the morning during the gathering instead of the afternoon — he needs to find out if the chapel is available. If it isn't, there is the possibility of renting other space for worship at the center.

HI. Calendar — Future council meeting dates:

- December 14-15
- February 2-3
- March 10-11
- May 10-12 (budget meeting)
- July 12-13 (novices to be presented for approval of vows will be discussed at this meeting)

Also, the council will need to schedule a conference call during the last week of February to approve the slate of candidates for provincial elections. This will be the slate sent to Fr. General and his council for final approval.

- I. Corporate Entities — Br. Presto noted that the terms of Fr. Kurps at Sacred Heart Southern Missions and Fr. Paul Kelly at the Province Development Office will be up on June 30, 2011. Both will have served two terms and province policy recommends that third terms not normally be given in these positions. It was noted that Fr. Kurps' job description has changed dramatically since he began work with SHSM. It has only been in recent years that SHSM and the Sacred Heart League have merged. Fr. Kurps would like to continue in the newly defined position of executive director of SHSM.
- J. International Vocation Program — Fr. Vien Nguyen reported on the recent meeting of the IVP Ad Hoc Committee. Members of the committee include Fr. Nguyen as chair, Br. Ray Kozuch, Fr. Joseph Thien Dinh, Fr. Mark Mastin, Fr. Francis Vu Tran, Fr. Chuck Wonch and Fr. Michael Burke. Ms. Kathleen Dahlgreen, province attorney, joined the meeting to present legal matters regarding immigration; Br. Frank Presto spoke to the committee about Praesidium standards.

The committee had several recommendations. If IVP is to continue, the name should be changed to "SCJ Pre-Candidacy Program" to more accurately reflect the program's intent. The committee suggested that the program be moved out of Sacred Heart School of Theology during the academic year. Participation in the summer ESL program at SHST would still be beneficial. Committee members noted that some IVP students were recruited by dioceses and other religious communities while studying at SHST. Also, the IVP participants are not given significant support in their spiritual growth and vocational discernment as residents at SHST. The committee suggested naming a full-time director to the program and locating it either at 37th Street or at the Dehon Formation Community in Chicago.

Councilors had reservations about the second suggestion. Province personnel are already stretched thin; it would be very difficult to appoint an SCJ to full-time ministry with IVP. If the program were at 37th Street, there would need to be other support staff as well. Putting it in Chicago would mean that there would be four programs housed in the same place. Potentially a person could spend 12 years or more at the formation house from pre-candidacy through candidacy, novitiate, vows, undergraduate and theological studies.

The committee suggested that if the program continues a handbook with clear guidelines needs to be developed. Also, the committee said that if recruitment is allowed in Central and South America it should be expanded to Africa and Asia. Councilors raised concerns about expanding recruitment; it is one thing to develop a relationship with the Church in a particular area but very different to recruit throughout the world. Councilors cited discomfort with the idea of recruiting men who do not have significant background or familiarity with the SCJs. Why should they leave their countries to serve as SCJ religious in the United States? Why would they not serve the Church closer to home?

Exceptions can be made when a person has a relationship with the SCJs, but global open recruiting does not seem appropriate said the councilors.

Councilors discussed a variety of IVP concerns including visa issues, IVP students' backgrounds (many have been in the seminary prior to coming to the United States — why did they leave?), and the screening process that is needed for pre-candidates.

The council will revisit the ad hoc committee's work at its next meeting. In the meantime, the committee will discuss ways in which it can share its work with the province.

- K. Presence of the General Administration — The general secretary has asked SCJ entities to inform him of significant events at which the presence of the general administration is sought. Councilors were asked for input.

They first noted that the general administration is always welcome in the U.S. Province.

The council would in particular like to have Fr. John van den Hengel, general councilor, present at the January 18-21 province

gathering, the June 14-18 election assembly, and the August 16-17 province assembly, celebrations and provincial administration installation.

The need for a province assembly for the transition of administrations was questioned – the province is having several gatherings during the year. However, it was noted that an assembly would be a nice way to bring the province together to celebrate vows, jubilees and the installation. The subject can be brought forth for discussion during the January gathering.

- L. Election Bylaws — The council voted to approve the bylaws for the Election Assembly as presented by Br. Presto. Frs. David Szatkowski, Joe Dean and Bernie Rosinski reviewed them prior to their presentation to the council. In later discussions it was noted that the provincial superior will make all decisions regarding proxy votes. There will be a limit of one proxy vote per person, meaning that an SCJ in attendance at the election assembly can only hold one proxy.

The bylaws are attached to the minutes as Addendum A.

- M. SHST Self Study — Fr. Cassidy distributed to the council copies of the self-study that was done in preparation for Sacred Heart School of Theology's accreditation process. It was noted that the study was well organized and presented.
- N. Brainstorming in Regards to Ministry — Fr. Byron Haaland and Fr Guy Blair were asked by Fr. Cassidy to head up the task of "thinking outside of the box" in regards to province ministry. To do this, Fr. Blair hosted a meeting that included Fr. Haaland and a variety of people who are involved in ministry, community outreach, formation and Church administration. The group discussed some of the pressing needs that would be appropriate for the Church and the SCJs to address. Notes from that meeting were shared with the council for discussion at a later date.

IV. Personnel

- A. Fr. Patrick Lloyd — Fr. Lloyd will be going to the Diocese of Green Bay, initially to cover Fr. Dominic Peluse's parish while he is recovering from back surgery.
- B. Fr. Charles Wonch — Fr. Wonch has volunteered to represent the province on the board of directors of SET Ministries in Milwaukee.
- C. Bishop Joseph Potocnak — After vacation time in Philadelphia, Bishop Potocnak will settle in the Milwaukee area, most likely at Sacred Heart Monastery.
- D. Frs. Christianus Hendrik and Zbigniew Morawiec — Religious worker visas are not yet available for either Fr. Hendrik or Fr. Morawiec.
- E. Fr. Francis Vu Tran — The council voted to approve Fr. Tran's request to study Biblical theology at the Gregorian Pontifical University in Rome. He initially hopes to earn a licenzia (STL) which would take three years, after which he would like to teach at Sacred Heart School of Theology. Following this, he hopes to return to Rome to earn an STD in Biblical theology. Prior to his studies at the Gregorian, Fr. Tran will do language studies in Perugia and Rome.

It was noted that the council will need to appoint a replacement for Fr. Tran at St. Martin of Tours, especially as pastor to the Vietnamese community.

- F. Fr. Richard MacDonald — The council voted to recommend to the bishop of the Diocese of Brownsville that Fr. MacDonald be appointed pastor of Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish in Raymondville.
- G. Br. Ha Tran — Br. Tran is now living in Atlanta. His paperwork is in Rome and it is hoped that he will receive his rescript soon.

V. Finance

- A. Financial Assistance to Asia — The U.S Province donated \$12,000 to assist those affected by earthquakes and tsunamis in Indonesia and the Philippines. The money was transferred to the General Treasurer's office for distribution.
- B. Sacred Heart at Monastery Lake — A meeting was held on October 22 with the Franklin Planning Commission; the mayor of Franklin presided. There were supportive testimonies on behalf of the building project, including one from a Monastery Lake resident and another from contractor Mark Carstensen. The meeting seemed very positive. The commission will have another

er meeting on November 5 during which a vote will take place on the project. It is hoped that the building project will be approved at that time so that permits are in place and construction work can begin.

The bidding process is underway. Seven companies will be invited to bid on the project. Proposals are due back by November 17 and it is anticipated that a builder will be chosen by November 24. It is hoped that construction of Phase One, Stage One will start in December.

Phase One includes the SCJ wing, “Main Street” and 50 general units. The SCJ wing will be the first part of Phase One to be constructed. It is hoped that SCJs can move into the wing in fall, 2010.

The Province Development Office will handle initial marketing of Sacred Heart at Monastery Lake. Information is on the office website and a special phone number has been set up for inquiries. A marketing company is being sought to manage promotion of the property.

Kathleen Dahlgren, province attorney, has been very helpful in the process. Br. Frank Presto is sitting in on many of the meetings regarding the property.

There was brief discussion on how the SCJ wing should be divided between the retired and non-retired. Clear guidelines need to be set so that ample space is available as needed.

It is hoped that the second phase of construction will include subsidized housing. Dn. Nagel said that government grants have been applied for but there is no certainty in the process. Discussions are taking place in regards to financing the non-SCJ section. Dn. Nagel has been in contact with Zeigler Capital for advice, including use of investors. There is also the possibility of borrowing money from province funds.

C. Board Meetings — Dn. Nagel attended the C-POSH meeting at which the financial audit was reviewed. The corporation seems financially sound. The treasurer took part in the board meeting of Sacred Heart Southern Missions via conference call. The finances of this corporation also appear to be good.

D. Driver’s Policy — At its last meeting the council reviewed an amendment to the province drivers’ policy that would require SCJs to take a yearly driver’s test following their 75th birthday. The suggested policy revision was added as an addendum to the minutes of the 794th meeting that were published in the September, 2009 *Cor Unum*. No comments were received from the membership regarding the revision.

The council voted to approve the revision to the province drivers’ policy, as presented at the 794th meeting. The policy is attached to the minutes as Addendum B.

E. Christmas Party — The council’s Christmas party with Provincialate staff is scheduled for December 14. Kevin Stanke is making the arrangements

VI. Formation — The council voted to approve Frater Duy Nguyen for final vows. The ceremony will take place at Sacred Heart Monastery on January 30 at 4 p.m.

VII. Conference Call — The conference call to approve the minutes of this meeting will be on Thursday, October 29 at 1 p.m.

ADDENDUM A

Minutes of the 795th Provincial Council Meeting, Addendum A **June 2010 Provincial Election Assembly Bylaws**

[Approved during the 795th Provincial Council Meeting, October 2009]

1. All members of the United States Province with active voice¹ have the right to attend and are expected to do so. Novices will be allowed to attend the Election Assembly and participate in its prayer, reflections and discussions. Novices may not vote in any election. SCJs of other provinces may be invited to the assembly by the Provincial Superior as observers. Observers may not be seated at the electors' tables.
2. Since members of the province are expected to attend, they are asked to find others to cover their ministries wherever necessary.
3. After the convocation of the assembly, anyone with the right to attend may renounce that right. He must do so in writing to the Provincial Superior.²
4. Members may receive permission from the Provincial Superior to vote by proxy.³ In seeking permission to vote by proxy, the member must state in writing his reasons. The Provincial Superior will give a written response either granting or denying this request.
 - a. The person voting by proxy must assign his proxy in writing to a member of the province who will be attending the election assembly.
 - b. The member who holds a proxy vote:
 - i. Prior to the election assembly, he should consult with the person whose proxy he holds to obtain the names of all persons that the member wants to nominate and/or elect to the position of Provincial Superior and/or councilor.
 - ii. Must cast this proxy vote according to the mind of the person whose proxy he holds.

¹ Cf. Csts. 121, 124; GD 111:1-2, PD 111:1

² Statutes first approved at the 586th Provincial Council meeting (July 1991) and confirmed by the General Administration (Protocol Number 581/91; No. B5a) in October 1991.

³ Ibid B5a; cf. CIC, c.167

- iii. May not hold a proxy vote for more than one person.
 - iv. Prior to any vote, he must present his written authorization to cast a proxy vote to the tellers or the secretary of the assembly.
 - c. No protocol is established for proxy voting by phone, fax or electronic mail.
5. Prior to the election assembly⁴, the Provincial Superior will send to the members of the province a report on the state of the US Province. Members of the province are encouraged to use this report to determine the necessary qualifications needed for the next provincial administration. Members are encouraged to discuss this report and their determinations in their local communities.⁵
6. A discernment ballot will be sent to each member of the province who has active vote by January 08, 2010. Members will be asked to submit up to three (3) names for Provincial Superior and up to six (6) names for provincial councilor from the lists of all members who fulfill the canonical qualifications for the office of Provincial Superior and/or provincial councilor. This ballot is to be submitted to the provincial secretary by regular mail or fax by 4 p.m. CST on February 01, 2010. No protocol is established for voting by phone or electronic mail for the discernment ballot.
7. The results of this discernment ballot will be published to the province no later than February 08, 2010. The results will state the number of votes each person received. The names of all eligible candidates will be listed, whether a vote was received or not.
8. After the results of the discernment ballot have been published, any individual who wishes to remove his name from future consideration must do so in writing to the Provincial Superior. This request must be submitted to the Provincial Superior no later than February 18, 2010.
9. The slates of eligible candidates, minus those names which have been removed, will be submitted to the General Superior and his council for their review before

⁴ For all pre-Election Assembly tasks (nos. 5-9) see Cor Unum 347.7 addendum A and Cor Unum #47:8 for Protocol Number 237/2007. Also note the revisions to PD 122 from the 14th Provincial Chapter.

⁵ PD 122.B as revised by the 14th Provincial Chapter (see Appendix 9 of the Acta).

March 1, 2010. Upon approval of the Superior General, these lists will be published to the province.

10. At the Election Assembly, the only business of the assembly is the election of Provincial Superior and provincial councilors. The assembly has no power of governance and is not self-governing.
11. The Election Assembly is presided over by the Provincial Superior. If he is incapacitated, the Vice-Provincial shall assume this duty.
12. The Election Assembly will begin with a time of prayer and reflection.
13. The actual sessions will be facilitated by a person who is not a member of the US Province.
14. There will be a maximum of six people per table during the assembly.
15. The first item of business will be the nomination of the secretary of the assembly and at least two tellers by the Provincial Superior. After approval via acclamation by the assembly, the Provincial Superior or his delegate will administer the oath of secrecy to the secretary and the tellers.⁶
16. Before each vote of the assembly, whether a test vote or a canonical vote:
 - a. The number of votes to be cast will be determined by the tellers. They shall count those present and voting, including those votes being cast by proxy. The number of votes will be announced to the assembly.
 - b. Any member casting a proxy ballot will surrender his authorization to the tellers and/or the secretary before the first vote. He shall then receive a placard indicating his ability to cast a proxy vote as well as his own.
17. Before the canonical election for Provincial Superior, there will be a period of time for prayer, reflection and table discussion.
18. The assembly will proceed to a test vote for the office of Provincial Superior. Each member with active voice will be asked to submit two (2) names from the list approved by the Superior General and his council. The results of this vote will be made public to the assembly.

⁶ CIC, c173:1-2

19. The canonical election for Provincial Superior will follow the same process utilized by the General Chapter to elect the General Superior.⁷

- a. A candidate must receive a two-thirds (2/3) majority on the first, second or third ballot to be elected.
- b. On the fourth ballot, a candidate must receive an absolute majority (50%+1) to be elected.
- c. In the event a fifth ballot is required, only the top two (2) candidates from the fourth ballot will be eligible.
- d. If there is a tie following the fifth ballot, the person who is older in profession of vows is elected. If both have the same profession date, the one who is older in age is elected.
- e. After the candidate has been elected, he must accept the election publicly before it is considered complete.⁸

20. After the Provincial Superior has been elected, the assembly will begin the process of electing the five (5) members of the provincial council. There will be a distinct canonical election for each councilor.

- a. A period of time for prayer, reflection and table discussion will be provided.
- b. A test vote will be conducted with each member with active voice submitting one (1) name from the respective list approved by the Superior General and his council. The results of this test vote will be announced publically to the assembly.
- c. The canonical election for individual councilors will follow the same process utilized by the General Chapter when it elects members of the General Council.⁹
 - i. A candidate is required to have an absolute majority (50%+1) to be elected on one of the first four ballots.
 - ii. If a fifth ballot is necessary, only a simple majority is required.

⁷ Csts. 129-130

⁸ CIC c 177:1

⁹ Cst. No 130

- iii. If there is a tie in the fifth ballot, the one who is older in profession of vows is elected. If those who are tied have the same profession date, the one who is older in age is elected.
 - iv. After the candidate has been elected, he must accept the responsibility before the election is considered complete.¹⁰
- d. The process outlined in #20.c will be followed until the assembly elects five (5) councilors.

21. Once the Provincial Superior and his council have been elected, the president of the assembly (see #11 above) shall:

- a. Notify the Superior General and his council of the assembly's actions.
- b. Gather the assembly for communal prayer.
 - i. This time of prayer will offer thanksgiving for the graces of the assembly;
 - ii. It will be an opportunity to thank the out-going members of the previous administration;
 - iii. It will seek God's blessing and guidance on the newly elected administration, and;
 - iv. The members will offer prayers for the province and the congregation.

22. The Superior General and his council will be asked to confirm the election and establish the date when the new administration takes office (presumed to be August 1, 2010).

23. Once confirmation has been received, the Provincial Superior-elect will meet with his council. They will determine which councilor will be named as Vice-Provincial.

¹⁰ CIC c. 177:1

Eligibility Requirements:

Provincial Superior

1. Must be an ordained presbyter
2. Minimum of 10 years in final vows
3. Must have the right of passive vote

Provincial Council

1. Must be in final vows
2. Must be at least 30 years old
3. Must have the right of passive vote

Procedures for Voting by Proxy

Those members who are eligible to attend, but are unable to do so, may be given permission by the provincial superior to vote by proxy. This does not apply to anyone who chooses not to attend or formally renounces their right to attend. The person requesting permission to vote by proxy must do so in writing and clearly state his reasons. This application must be made by May 1, 2010. The provincial superior will respond through written correspondence either granting or denying the request.

1. The person who is authorized to vote by proxy must assign this vote in writing to an eligible member of the province who will be present at the election assembly.
 - a. No protocols are established for voting by fax, telephone or electronic mail.
2. The person who holds the proxy:
 - a. Prior to the election assembly should consult with the person whose proxy he holds;
 - b. Should obtain the names of all persons to be nominated for the position of provincial superior and/or councilor;
 - c. Should vote according to the mind of the person whose proxy he holds;
 - d. May not hold a proxy for more than one person;
 - e. Must present his written authorization to cast a proxy vote to the tellers and/or secretary of the assembly prior to the first vote.
 - f. Upon surrender of the authorization, the proxy holder will be provided with a placard identifying him as such. He shall show this to the tellers when the assembly is counted prior to any vote being cast and when casting his votes.

United States Province of the Priests of the Sacred Heart

Proxy Document

_____ has requested authorization to vote by proxy for provincial superior and members of the provincial council during the election assembly scheduled for June 14 – 18, 2010 in Franklin Wisconsin.

I, Thomas P. Cassidy, SCJ, Provincial Superior, having read and judged the reasons submitted by _____ as satisfactory, do authorize him to designate an eligible member of the province who will be present at the election assembly to vote in his name and according to his instructions.

Dated this the _____ day of _____, 2010.

Thomas P. Cassidy, SCJ
Provincial Superior

I, _____, have received permission of the provincial superior to grant my proxy vote to an eligible member of the province who will attend the election assembly. I do now designate _____ as my proxy on this the _____ day of _____, 2010.

(Signature of person assigning proxy)

This document must be given to the person holding the proxy. The proxy holder must present it to the tellers and/or the secretary of the assembly at the beginning of the assembly. He will be provided with a placard stating he holds a proxy vote which must be shown prior to each vote. The secretary of the assembly will preserve this form with the acts of the elections.

ADDENDUM B

Proposed Province Driving Policy Amendment

In the calendar year following the year an SCJ celebrates his 75th birthday, the SCJ will take a yearly driving test to be administered by a tester recommended by the province insurer. The Office of the Provincial Treasurer will oversee the policy.

Following the test, the tester will recommend to the provincial superior or his delegate one of the following:

1. The SCJ continues to exercise a member's full driving privileges without restrictions;
2. The SCJ refrain from the exercise of a member's driving privileges in certain circumstances (night driving, etc.);
3. The SCJ is restricted from driving and member's driving privileges are revoked.

Effective date: October 26, 2009

CALENDAR

2009

December 14-15 Provincial Council meeting

2010

January 18-21 Provincial Gathering

February 2-3 Provincial Council meeting

March 10-11 Provincial Council meeting

May 10-12 Provincial Council meeting

June 14-18 Election Assembly

July 12-13 Provincial Council meeting

August 14 Entrance to Novitiate

August 15 First Professions

August 16-17 Province Assembly (tentative)

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NECROLOGY

FR. MOÏSE HECQUET, a member of the Franco-European Province, who died September 22. He was born in 1928, professed in 1947 and ordained in 1953.

FR. JAAK VAN WERSCHM, a member of the Flemish-Dutch Confederation, who died September 24. He was born in 1931, professed in 1953, and ordained in 1958.

FR. JOHANNES M. KALMER, a member of the German Province, who died September 25. He was born in 1921, professed in 1949 and ordained in 1953.

FR. EUGENIO CAMILLO MERONI, a member of the North Italian Province, who died October 1. He was born in 1921, professed in 1938 and ordained in 1947.

FR. ANDREW RYDER, a member of the British-Irish Province, who died October 15. He was born in 1939, professed in 1958 and ordained in 1964.