

Good bye to Lori



December 17, 2020

Dear Lori,

I address you with great respect and affection at the time when you are changing work after 22 years of dedication in a service of lofty responsibility in Saint Catherine of Siena Catholic Parish. First of all, I feel it is my duty to express to you my deep appreciation for your talents, mind and heart, of which you have given proof in carrying out your mission. You have done it with professional competence, and in particular, with consistent Christian commitment, and love for the Church. This has always accompanied your witness as a believer.

In these years your courage and tenacity in sustaining the Parish's activities have certainly rendered a service to our entire community. Since my nomination as Pastor I have had the opportunity to share so many moments of life and ecclesial service with you. I have been able to appreciate personally the gifts of your soul, entirely dedicated to serving our Parish. I am particularly grateful to you for the dedication with which you have followed the work of the Parish, as well as for your concern for all our staff.

In the light of this daily and high quality service to our Parish, how could one fail to feel sentiments of esteem and deep gratitude for you? It comes naturally to think of the numerous efforts you made during these years to carry out your daily duty. Likewise, it is only right to recognize your commitment to creating among the personnel a strong working community.

At the time when you are handing us these responsibilities, as well as expressing my own grateful sentiments to you, I also express the sentiments of all who have known you in the course of the years and who have admired your good sense, prudent wisdom, and indefatigable zeal with which, sparing no effort, you have carried out your mission, taking into account the good of the Church alone.

May the Lord, to whom I entrust every aspiration of your heart, be a comfort and support to you in the years to come, endowing you with good health and imbuing your spirit with peace and joy. May the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church, watch over you in a most special way.

May you also be accompanied by the constant assurance of my esteem and affection, with the hope of abundant divine rewards and of my fraternal closeness.

Father Nilson Leal de Sá, C.B.