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Bishop Michael A. Saltarelli
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Dear Bishop Saltarelli:

First of all, please accept my sincere thanks for your continued support and prayers. They have been a tremendous help to me during the painful times.

I want to assure you that I have not presented myself as a priest, celebrated Mass publicly nor administered any of the sacraments since my departure from Saint Luke's Institute in 1986. I have no intention of doing so. I do not believe I deserve the honor of being involved in any active ministry and am truly sorry for any harm caused to you, the people of our Diocese and to those priests who work so hard to spread the gospel with integrity and holiness. I spend many hours in prayer asking for forgiveness and guidance.

Regarding laicization, I am unsure what to do. I do not go to any of the Catholic churches in the area, as it is too painful to sit through Mass with the congregation in a public arena. Consequently, I have been celebrating Mass regularly in the privacy of my own room. If I request laicization, I would not be able to do so. I am open to your guidance and wishes, but am mixed about what to do.

Finally, I offer you my sincere gratitude once again. Please continue to keep me and my family in your prayers.

Sincerely,



Ed Dudzinski