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Dear brothers and sisters in the Lord,

As I write this letter on Thursday morning, 28 years of attending school is drawing to a close for me. Today, we finished our last class in Canon Law for the Eastern Catholic Churches. Tomorrow is our final exam for that class. And then, Monday, July 30th, will be my Canon Law Comprehensive Exam. This exam on Monday will be a chance for the canon law professors to ask me about anything in the Code of Canon Law, which I have been studying for the past four years. My exam is at 10am (NOLA time), if you would be so kind as to offer a prayer for my memory and my nerves!

After the exam is completed, I will fly home Monday evening; and I'll be back at church on Tuesday morning at 7am for daily Mass. I can't wait to be home! As I expected, it was very difficult to be away from my parish family these last two months, but I appreciate the many prayers and notes and even care packages that came my way.

I also want to thank Fr. Jeffrey and Fr. Philip for their devoted ministry to the parish in my absence. It was a great relief to know that all of you were well taken care of in the hands of these good brother priests. Thank you, Fr. Jeffrey and Fr. Philip!

Keep me in your prayers, and be assured that you remain always in mine. See you very soon!

To Jesus through Mary,

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