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My Dear Friends,

When we met back on November 14, 2023, I shared with you my vision of the Ambassador program moving forward. Today I wish to offer an update.

I am considering creating a guild specifically for the Ambassadors. This guild would offer formation, an opportunity for prayer and gathering a few times a year, and more. We have already formed a guild for medical personnel, the St. Luke's Guild, as well as one focused on beauty, the Sacred Heart Guild. These guilds will create a template to be used for future endeavors.

My plan is to name the guild for the ambassadors after St. Paul, who himself was an ambassador for Christ and challenged his readers to join in this important work (2 Cor. 5:20). By the end of February, I hope to have created a plan and will share it with you.

In the meantime, please continue your good work in your parishes. I would like to thank Deacon John DiTaranto for his leadership of the Ambassador program. His work with cohort two and three has led to many wonderful ideas. His online check-ins with you have allowed you to share ideas with each other and grow in your ministry. His weekly newsletter was a great tool for encouraging your efforts.

I have asked Deacon John to suspend those elements at this time in anticipation of the rebirth of the Ambassadors via the guild.

Again, I am grateful for your service, and you remain in my prayers.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Frank J. Caggiano

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