

*Dear Saint Joseph and NDS Family,*

*The life of a priest is always about SERVICE, DEDICATION AND SELF DENIAL. Is always about THE OTHER, by serving them, taking care of them, guiding them, being there for them, giving your time and dedication to them, but most of all LOVING THEM. And that's what a priest finally does! It is not about how much you do, but how much you love! That's why I want to take this opportunity to express how much I love each of you and to show my gratitude for everything that you have done for me in the two years that I have been here.*

*It is true that the heart of a priest must be like Christ's. I would say that the community where a priest serves also helps to mold and form that heart. Part of who I am now as a priest is because of you, and for that I will be always grateful.*

*I would have liked to announce this personally, but since life has changed a little bit, I wanted to let you know that I will be transferred to a new parish here in the Sacramento area. The name of the Parish is St. Lawrence in North Highlands. I will be working there with two other priests from my Religious Order (PRO ECCLESIA SANCTA), serving the community, the Newman Center and also as a Chaplain in a school named Valley of the Sacred Heart in Dixon. My new assignment will be effective July 1st.*

*Please pray for me so that I can serve our Lord, giving my best in this new mission and leading many more souls to God. I will always remember you, and count always on my prayers!*

*God bless you all!*

*Sincerely,*

*Fr. Juan Carlos Villavicencio P.E.S.*