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Rector's Message:

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Dear Friends of St. John's,

As Daisy and I move on in our ministry, I hope you will remember us in your prayers as we will uphold you in ours.

We leave with some excitement for two reasons:

First: What an opportunity God has given us: A multicultural parish, a new parish full of opportunities to serve Him and grow in His love again with another part of His family. I started my ministry in Toronto with a new parish in Scarborough thirty years ago, and now I will likely finish my active ministry in a new parish and see it develop. Praise the Lord!

Secondly: I am thrilled to know that Father Robert, Brother William and Brother Brian are going to follow me at St. John's.

I know that it is different for many of you to realize that a team of monks are going to minister to you in your parish. However, let me tell you, they have a different and wonderful style of "monkeying" around than I have ever known.

Father Robert brings with him a compassion for people and knowledge of scri-ption, church history and liturgy that few, if any, priests I know can match.

Brother William is skilled in many directions, as those of us who sat with him during our evaluation procedure know. He is in contact with the church throughout Canada and the world almost daily, and his ministry will, I know, strengthen St. John's.

Brother Brian - what can I say? His ministry to our children, his singing and his practical spiritual witness we know and love.

What a power package - Bill, Bob and Brian (you remember B.B. Bats) - you have the B.B.B. Bats and they should hit many home runs.

God bless you all. I know that His love, joy and peace will continue to grow at St. John's, West Toronto, and in His world.

Yours in His service,

Gordon King



