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Dear Parishioners of St. Ignatius Loyola Parish,

As Provincial Superior of the New York Province of the Society of Jesus, it is my duty to assign Jesuits to our apostolic works. I was in Rome when Fr. Blaszcak left the parish for medical reasons in February. Upon my return, I consulted with Fr. Blaszcak and his medical team and I have decided that Fr. Blaszcak should not return to St. Ignatius Loyola Parish to work as your pastor. I have been in communication with the staff of the parish, the Trustees and designated members of the finance, ministerial and pastor's advisory councils, and together we are working toward a smooth transition with a new pastor who is yet to be determined.

I owe Fr. Blaszcak much gratitude for accepting the assignment of pastor when I asked him to do so, for his generous service, and for his great pastoral care for the people of this parish.

Fr. Blaszcak would like to return in the near future for a short time to say good-bye and to thank so many of you who showed Fr. Blaszcak so much support during his tenure as pastor. I know his absence will be a great loss for many of you. I also know I can count on your prayers for him, for his health, and for the continued good work of this wonderful parish.

Joyfully in the Lord,

Gerald J. Chojnacki, S.J