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Dear Pastor of the Flock of Jesus Christ,

If you are reading this letter, you likely have a Pauline in your parish. Paulines are filled with the ardor of Saint Paul for Christ and His Church. It is this love of Christ that has likely brought this letter to you.

As a Pauline myself, vowed and consecrated in the Holy Family Institute, I wish to share with everyone the good news, just as Saint Paul did, that Jesus is alive. When Saint Paul encountered the Risen Lord, he had to come to terms with this revolutionary event. It was a profound moment both in human history and in his own personal history. The encounter changed his life forever. He was transformed from violence to peace, from folly to wisdom, from chaos-making to delicate community building.

This same transformative experience can happen to your parishioners if Christ is allowed to work fully in their lives. “Allowed” is the operative word. As a consummate gentleman, Christ respects every person’s free will. We can choose to listen to Him or to ignore Him and chase chimeras.

Understanding God’s will for one’s life is, of course, a tricky discernment. That is why a regular encounter with Christ the King, exposed in the monstrance during Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, is the most efficacious means of enlightening minds, warming hearts, and healing relationships.

That is why we are seeking your permission to share with your parishioners the special treasure of Pauline spirituality, which is Encounter with the Risen Lord in Holy Hours of Adoration. May we share this beautiful and simple way that all people can be encouraged to meet with their Maker more often?

In the full-color brochure and step-by-step guide to starting a **Pauline Parish Cell**, you will learn more about this unique opportunity to gently encourage all people to respond to Jesus’ call: *Venite ad me omnes . . .* “Come to me all of you” (Matthew 11:28).

This is a project of the Pauline Community of Saint Joseph, a 501c3 Tennessee nonprofit dedicated to bringing the Word to the world through the spiritual works of mercy. The start of a Pauline cell (a “cell” of the One Body) is to be initiated with a brief presentation called “**ARE You Ready?**” In this presentation, people are asked to consider whether they are ready to meet their Maker. *With so many threats to human life in our world today, there is no better time to prepare people for the unexpected.* A full digital copy of this presentation is available by emailing paulinecommunityofstjoseph@gmail.com.

Thanks for your attention. May you encounter the Risen Lord anew in the implementation of this program, which was inspired by Our Lord during Adoration.

Respectfully yours,

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