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Reverend Joseph Anthony A. Pillai  
Ascension and St. Edmund Parish  
808 S. East Avenue  
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Dear Father Rex,

With this letter, I am pleased to appoint you as Moderator of Pastoral Care for Ascension and St. Edmund Parish. This canonical appointment (cf. Code of Canon Law, 517) is effective July 1, 2023 for five years, through June 30, 2028.

With this assignment, you will be responsible for all aspects of pastoral and sacramental care under the oversight of the pastor, Father Carl Morello. The pastor, along with the staff and operations director will manage the finances, facilities, physical and institutional operations, human resources, and all other administrative responsibilities. Your skill and experience will no doubt be of great help to the parish and to Father Carl Morello as you begin this new role at Ascension and Saint Edmund Parish.

Father Rex, you have my prayerful support as you embark on this important ministry. Know that I am deeply grateful for your service to the Church. With every good wish, I remain,

Sincerely yours in Christ,

  
Archbishop of Chicago

cc: Most Reverend Robert Casey, Vicar General  
Deacon David Keene, Chancellor  
Reverend Kurt Boras, Vicar for Priests  
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