

St. Margaret Mary's Parish
Merrylands

14 October, 1991.

Most Rev. Bede Heather,
Bishop of Parramatta,
10 Victoria Road,
PARRAMATTA, NSW, 2150.

Dear Bishop Bede,

I recently met with the Bishop of Armidale, and I expressed my wish to continue the exercise of my ministry in the Diocese of Parramatta. Bishop Manning was agreeable to this, and indicated that he would make the necessary arrangements with you.

In order that everything can be done correctly, I hereby submit in writing my request to remain in your diocese for another two years.

Bishop Manning and I also discussed my wish that I would serve in the Military Vicariate at some future occasion. The Diocese of Armidale and the Diocese of Lismore alternate every four years in supplying a priest for service to the Military Vicariate. Bishop Manning indicated that he would be happy for me to be the next priest to go from the Diocese of Armidale. It is my understanding that service in the Military Vicariate is best prepared for by a period of service in the Reserves. Accordingly, I seek your approval, to make the necessary approaches for an appointment to the Reserves.

Yours sincerely,

