

29th. May, 1981.

Rev. John Farrell,
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My dear John,

I hope that you have found your experience in the Marriage Tribunal both challenging and rewarding. It is an extremely important and very sensitive area of pastoral ministry. I trust that the experience of the judgment session has given you further insight into how the Marriage Tribunal functions.

The next phase of your programme will be a guided reading programme in the Conciliar and post-Conciliar Liturgical documents relating to the Mass and the Sacraments, particularly Reconciliation, Anointing and Confirmation. You will do this with Fr. Ed Kenny at Ashford. Father Kenny has a good grasp of the sources and fine mastery of detail. In many ways it will be a period where you will be recapitulating what you did in the Seminary but I believe it will be an invaluable opportunity to refresh your knowledge of these important documents. In the next phase of the programme you will be concentrating on the practical implementation of the pastoral theory contained in the documents.

You are appointed to Ashford from Friday, May 29th. to Tuesday, June 9th. both dates inclusive. You will accompany Father Edward to the Clergy Conference on June 2nd. and 3rd.

Wishing God's Blessing on you and your apostolate.

I remain,

Yours sincerely in Our Lord,

(Most Rev. H. J. Kennedy).
BISHOP OF ARMIDALE.