



April 5, 2016

To my St. Jerome family:

It is difficult to express what you all mean to me, and how touched I am by your loving demonstration on Sunday. I have never experienced such an outpouring of love and affection, and I've never seen our hall so full. It was amazing!

Every aspect of the day was special – the Mass, the reception with the display of pictures, the wonderful video and the special quilt. The book put together by the students and their gifts of the crosses meant so much to me. The banquet of fabulous food and the care taken in the presentation – the tablecloth of the Italian flag colors – I noticed that! It was all beautiful.

It was obvious that this effort of love took many hands working together to accomplish. I am overwhelmed! Thank you all so very much. I will keep the memory of that day in my heart always.

Love and prayers,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Fr. Joe', written in a cursive style.

Fr. Joe

Whatever your hand finds to do, do it with all your might. - Ecclesiastes 9:10

Finally, all of you, live in harmony with one another; be sympathetic, love as brothers, be compassionate and humble. – I Peter 3:8