

Nov. 7, 1928.

Very Rev. Father Urban Freundt, O.F.M.,
1615 Vine Street,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

Very Rev. and dear Father:

You will recall that when I set you in the St. Louis Railway Station some weeks ago I spoke to you about our Mexican colony here and said to you that the priests, (the Spanish priests from South America) who had been in charge of this colony had gone away because they did not want the burden of the parish school and that I had Father Hale, one of our local priests, in charge of the congregation temporarily. Father Hale likes the place and is most acceptable to the people but I know it will require much time for him to learn the Spanish language so I have concluded to relieve him of this work if you, in your good ness, can provide the parish with a priest who is able to speak the Spanish tongue and who has had some experience in parish management.

The parish is fairly well organized, has a splendid church and a fine school. The residence is also fairly comfortable. Much good can be accomplished here because I feel the work has the sympathy of some of our excellent people. The debt, which is \$18,000, but not large considering the plant and equipment, in my judgment, will not cause great worry.

If you let me have a priest for this work in the Mexican colony I will be thankful to you and will be glad to have him at once if you can possibly arrange to give him to me. I hope to be in Washington next week but will be home by the 17th and I will appreciate a word from you at your leisure but should you be in this part of the country soon we may talk the matter over. With all good wishes to you and your community, I remain,

Sincerely yours.

Thomas F. Lillis

Bishop of Kansas City Diocese.