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Dear brothers and sisters in the Lord,

One of my favorite things to do as a priest, besides offering Holy Mass and granting God's forgiveness in confession, is to answer questions. The Archdiocese of New Orleans spent quite a lot of money sending me to seminary for seven and a half years; and it continues to spend a lot of money on my canon law education. Since I have had the great blessing of learning so much about our Catholic faith, I always love having the opportunity to explain our beliefs and our practices to people who have questions.

Unfortunately, it is not often that people have the chance to ask a question to a priest. So I was thinking that these bulletin letters could sometimes be an opportunity to answer a question or two that someone may have. Some weeks (like this one) there is not some particular topic that I want to address or something that I want to explain in my letter. On those weeks, when otherwise I wouldn't have much to say, I could pull out a question that someone has asked and try my best to give an answer or explanation.

You can ask questions about what we believe, why we believe it, how we worship, the things we do as Catholics, or anything else that you may be wondering. I think the easiest way to send questions would be by email. If you send me an email with a question, I will try to answer it in a bulletin letter, as soon as I can. I will even keep the question that you ask anonymous, so that you can feel free to ask whatever you're wondering about.

To Jesus through Mary,

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