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Chancery Office
Mr. Alex Barberis
2838 East Burnside
Portland, Oregon 97214

March 11, 1974

Dear Mr. Barberis:

I would like to ask the Archdiocese of Portland for a loan of $40.00. I filed my Federal and State Income Tax last week and would pay back the $40.00 in full upon receiving my tax returns from the I.R.S. whenever that would be. I, of course, am willing to sign a loan note to that affect for the Archdiocese.

As I have not made a copy of this letter for Father Quintal, I would appreciate it if you would allow him to see this one. Thank you.

Sincerely yours,

Phil Steigerwald
Philip J. Steigerwald
SPEED LETTER

FROM: B. A. Borden

TO: Brian

SUBJECT: Action Items - 4/1/19

MESSAGE: 

Please sign and return original.

Date: 4/1/19

Signed: [Signature]

REPLY

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TO: GRADUATE EVALUATION BOARD MEMBERS

RE: PHIL STEIGERWALD

To Be Evaluated: April 23, 1974 - 1:00 P.M.

From: Fr. Simeon Van De Voord, O.S.B.

This evaluation is the second for this student during this current academic year. He has shown consistent improvement in his academic performance throughout the progress of this year. The term just completed indicates that he is above average in performance. It would seem that he has little difficulty with the academic part of the life provided he uses his time efficiently. He has had a tendency to procrastinate in this area of studies in the past, but it would appear that he has now programmed his time so that he does not put things off until the end of the term. I feel that he needs to be vigilant in this area of self-responsibility in the adequate and community demands of the program. He has certainly grown a lot in this whole area through the progress of this year.

There has been a decided depth of growth in this student's emotional, spiritual and attitudinal life throughout this year. His inter-personal relationships have taken on a more honest and mature character. Phil still has difficulty in expressing his own negativisms about situations and perhaps people but he is becoming more able to freely express how he feels. His emotional response to given situations, which was a concern of the Board at the last evaluation, seems to be more appropriate and in more agreement with his own internal feelings. In the past, Phil tended to respond in a certain expected behavioral pattern but in the months that have passed, he is dealing more honestly with his responses and he likes what is happening in this area.

Phil will always need the feeling of being accepted by others and this more strongly perhaps than some of his peers, but he indicates that he is gradually feeling and receiving more support and encouragement in this area.

It is my opinion that this young man has grown in his commitment to the purpose for which he is here. I am pleased with his progress and encourage him to continue.

Fr. Simeon Van De Voord, O.S.B.
Dean of Men

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To: Evaluation Board  
Re: The 1973 - 1974 year  
April 23, 1974  
Philip J. Steigernald

In some ways this school has been difficult for me but also one of much personal growth. There are some specifically religious areas of growth which I consider the most important as I look over my life in this last year. However I very much believe that any way I grow or refuse to grow determines what my relationship with the Lord is. That is to say that my relationship with the Lord is a reflection of what my relationship is with both the significant and the not so significant people in my life.

The most significant growing that I am aware of in the past year was triggered during the annual retreat. Father Dan Danielson, the director, spoke of what he called playing "Courage Camille" with the Lord. It is a game. One person stands behind another and says, "Courage Camille" and the other person tries to fall back without flinching at all until he is caught by the first person. It is a game of trust. The significance of this stuck me profoundly. There were some rather important and also hidden things in me that I felt it was time to play that game of courage about, and talk about to someone. I decided to talk to Father Jack Mossbrucker. We met for six times at the end of which I decided that I would continue to meet only with my spiritual director as my meeting with Father Mossbrucker had served its purpose already. I had arrived at some insights about myself and felt that I could pursue them alone and also with further insight that might be gained by discussing them with Brother Philip, O.S.B.

I realize that my even mentions that I went to Jack Mossbrucker to discuss something rather significant, but then not indicating at all what was, is leaving things more than a little vague, but that is how I intended it to be. Let it be enough to say that my going to Father Mossbrucker meant one of the most serious risks in growth that I think I have ever taken in my life. As a result of it I am more firmly convinced of the direction of my life.

Another area of personal growth in myself is interpersonal. Last year my evaluation sessions brought up the fact that it is frequently difficult for me to express any personal negative feelings toward another person. This, however, not the case if it is in any area other than the personal. As we discussed, this is very fundamentally related to the negative sanctions in my family when negative personal feelings are expressed freely. Consequently, I have learned rather poorly how to deal with my negative feelings. I am almost only now learning that negative feelings being expressed doesn’t mean that the world will crash. I am learning that the consequences of such expression are quite different than I feared them to be.

I am maturing in my trust level and discovering that being negative when a situation calls for it is a legitimate and an important part of personal relationships. It does not have to be a threatening experience as I have for too long thought it must be.

Now I shall focus on two areas of personal strength which I perceive in myself. I think that I am a rather amiable and gentle person and that through my condition I am able often to let people feel relaxed and at ease with me. When I am able to listen and be very silent to talk with me and ask what I think, I believe that I am more capable

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in a childlike way. That is to say that unless I pick up cues which tell me to be very guarded, I am quickly open to being too reveal who I think am. I see this borne true in my life in that my peers, friends and family seem to talk rather freely and openly with me often confiding their very personal secrets with me.

A significant deficiency which I see in my growth life, as I have already alluded to, is that it is still a difficult thing for me to comfortably express negative feelings that I have about others without feeling that in some way the relationship will alter for the worse. I am continuing to work on this by just being persistent with myself and seeing that the dreaded consequences were usually only imagined ones. I am also continuing to talk about this whole phenomenon with my spiritual director, and throughout all of this I am praying to the Lord to continue to free me from this infirmity.

Personal support for me comes primarily from my close friends. Unfortunately for now this means that I do not have as much contact with friends off of the hill top as I would like there to be.

It comes to me knowing that I matter to them. Support also comes to me from some of my teachers. A big source of personal support in my life is my spiritual director because I believe he knows me very well. In my family I feel most supported by parents and then also by my youngest sister, Ann. Again throughout all of this I am day to day supported believing that I am irrevocably loved by God.

In the last year I have made much use (somehow that sounds so cold and impersonal) of my spiritual director, Brother Philip, O.C.S.B.: we have met quite regularly for about two hours every two weeks. We usually begin by my telling him what has been happening in my life since the last time we met, and we discuss it. If I fail to mention something that he thinks we ought to be talking about at that time, he will bring it up.

Pastorally I experience myself anxious for the time when I will be ready for full time ministry. I discover what kind of priest I will be, and am already by the kind of person and minister I am already. Presently my biggest frustration with my ministry is just that, it is so limited by the time I have to put into it. The most positive thing I have to say about the ministry I am involved in now is that I love it. The most negative thing I have to say in this regard is paradoxically also positive: it frightens me. The responsibility that is mine in working with the people of God scares me as I wonder if what I am doing is giving the Good News of God or the good news of Phil Steigerwald.

My fears are much allayed, however, when I can 'identify' in some way, with the prophet Jeremiah who told the Lord that he was too young, probably about twenty years old then, to proclaim God's word. Yahweh said no, that he would teach Jeremiah and that gives me hope and confidence that I can rely not only on my education and life experiences but also on God continuing to speak in and through me.
More specifically, I experience myself pastorally as a good listener and facilitator. At this non-sacramental stage in my ministry, I see my job as a pastor as one of being a prayerful facilitator. That is to say in the listening role I think I am able to listen and mirror back what I hear, helping the other person to see himself in his own words and to consider how the Lord is part of that self or not.

This part about bringing God into the picture, odd as it may seem, is a part I only this year am feeling comfortable in. For some reason it seems that it has been easier to talk in terms of sociology, psychology, philosophy, etc. than in that plus God talk. Prayer is more part of me this year and this year I find I can even pray with patients in the hospital where I work.

In terms of what strengths I bring to ministry, I think it should be obvious that I bring myself and all that I am. That, of course, means strengths and weaknesses. I am a sinner, in other words. Knowing that and knowing that I also have many good things in me is in itself a strength. In Henri Nouen's words, I know that I am wounded, but I also know that I am somewhat healed. I am believing that the Lord is calling me to be a wounded healer in his name in the priesthood.

My field work is part of my life as class is, as having a drink with a friend is, as anything in my life is. I am not able or willing to compartmentalise my life. My theological understanding of life, therefore also shapes the response that I give and do not give to the life that is within me and to my brothers and sisters around me.

And so ends the beginning of my self-evaluation '73 - '74.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

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To: Evaluation Board

Re: Philip Joseph Steigerwald

From: Brother Philip, O.S.B.

There have been definite signs of progress in Philip's life since his last evaluation. He has become much more open with me concerning some matters which had troubled him. Now that some of these problems have been openly talked about between us, there seems to be taking place a growth in trust level with a concomitant development of a more positive self-image.

Another area of growth that I would point out is in Philip's energy level. Last year, there was some adverse comment about Philip's low energy level. This energy level, as far as I can tell, has gradually been improving over the year. I notice it in the more "alive" manner in which Phil is able to speak to me, and also in his abilities to get more things done according to a schedule.

His prayer life seems to be making gradual progress, but I have nothing of merit to report about that at this time. Jesu Caritas has been playing an ever more important role in Phil's prayer life and in his personal support base.

Phil sees the importance of friendship in his life taking on a greater importance than in the past. And he has also been deepening his relationships with friends as well as with his peers.

I give Phil a warm recommendation also in his growing appreciation and love for the sacrament of reconciliation.

I also recommend Phil to the Evaluation Board.

Philip Lawrence, O.S.B.
Evaluation Report re: Philip Steigerwald
By: Fr. Boniface Lautz, OSB
    Director of Field Education
    April 23, 1974

Phil is completing his third term at Salem Hospital under the supervision of Chaplain E.T. Eberhart. He feels that the year has been a productive one for him personally and that his goals have been met.

During the course of the year Phil has gotten a good introduction to the work of the hospital and the lives of patients. He has also had to face the limitations of a ministry that allows only brief contact with persons. He feels that he has done well in his patient visitations. He does better in one-to-one visits and feels somewhat uncomfortable with patients and families together.

Phil senses that he is beginning to better integrate some of the theoretical background with his personal style of ministry. He doesn't have to be so conscious of making use of something he learned in the classroom, but is using it as part of himself. He is also finding some ability to let people know what he thinks and feels when that is appropriate.

Phil is enrolled in an ACPE course at Delaware State Hospital for the coming Summer. This has been at his own initiative and has the approval of the Archdiocese of Portland. For his field experience next year he is considering either Oregon State Hospital or something in religious education. He has had no experience to date in the latter. My personal opinion at this time is that the educational experience would be the most valuable.

Phil finds his pastoral work confirming of his vocation to priesthood. I am pleased with the progress he is making and the personal effort he is expending.

F. Boniface Lautz, OSB
April 22, 1974

Graduate Evaluation Board Report

For: Philip Steigerwald

Philip is now completing his second year of theology and is happy with the program. At the moment he is in the process of switching his major from moral theology to scripture. His interest has shifted during the year.

Philip’s performance in the program has been good. His cumulative grade point average is 3.18 which is in keeping with his ability. He has experienced some difficulty studying in his room this year and is spending more time in the library. He finds it difficult to ask people to leave his room when he is studying, as some people do not seem to accept his need to study. He is working to develop a better balance between his academic and social life.

Philip has not been very happy with the way in which withdrawals from class have been handled. He feels that it should be the student’s decision to make. The difficulty in a small school such as ours is that the courses are offered in sequence. If they are not taken at the time, it frequently means that a teacher will have to offer a directed study in the course which was missed. The Graduate Division will be discussing this problem in May.

I recommend Philip to the Board.

Father Adrain Bowlin, OSB
Academic Dean
April 23, 1974

Most Rev. Cornelius M. Power, D.D.
Archbishop of Portland in Oregon
2838 E. Burnside
Portland, Oregon 97214

RE: PHILIP STEIGERWALD
NORMAN RICE

Your Grace:

The Graduate School of Theology Evaluation Board met today to consider the progress in our program of the above two students, both of whom are affiliated with the Archdiocese. It is the second evaluation for both of these students during this academic year. The accompanying reports are the individual Board Members reports on these two students. The purpose of this letter is to give a summary of the Board's direction during the evaluation.

It should be quite evident from the reports that PHILIP STEIGERWALD has made some significant growth response during the progress of this year. He is dealing more honestly with his own attitudes and feelings and is also more firmly committed to the concept of the priesthood than he previously had been. This resulting commitment has brought some internal struggle and tension but he is dealing with it honestly and I think appropriately. The Board was very interested in giving him as much support as we could while at the same time encouraging him in the direction that he has taken. It is good to observe this young man in this growing and more mature appreciation of what it means to be in the program and what it ultimately will mean for him. We are pleased with his progress at this time and are hopeful of his future.

NORMAN RICE has made huge strides this year in becoming more self confident and reliant. He is becoming more and more expressive of himself all the time and while -this may be a source of some small tensions with others, it is good for him to so react. He is a first theologian and although there are times that his responses and follow through on decisions may be a bit inappropriate, he is able to recognize these qualities more readily and deal with them more honestly. He has had, in the past, some inter-personal relationship difficulties but these too seem to be much improved. It has not been easy for this student to arrive at his present position and level of commitment but it was generally agreed that he is steadily improving in the total area of formational and readiness growth. We are pleased with his over-all progress this year and we do hope that it will continue.

If there are any further questions you would like to ask about these young men, please feel free to call upon me at any time.

Respectfully yours,

(Rev.) Simeon Van De Voord, O.S.B.
Dean of Men

cc Fr. Quintal
Student files

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The Most Reverend Cornelius Power,
Archbishop of Portland in Oregon
The Chancery Office
2838 East Burnside Street
Portland, Oregon 97214

May 3, 1974

Dear Archbishop Power:

I enjoyed being cross-bearer at your Installation and I want you to
know that I am glad you are here. I have only lived in Oregon since
1967 myself, but have come to feel like it is definitely home for me.
I hope that it will be home for you also.

Father Quintal is planning to set up an appointment for me with you in
the near future. I would, however, like to let you know ahead of time
what I need to talk to you about.

Last fall I became very interested in a C.P.E. (Clinical Pastoral
Education) Program. I talked to Archbishop Dwyer about it explaining
to him that I was especially interested in being a program in mental
health care with an emphasis on pastoral approach to extremely emotionally
disturbed persons. I found a program in Delaware, at the State Hospital
in New Castle, Delaware. With the approval of Archbishop Dwyer, I
applied and was accepted by that program for the summer. Because of
school, I will begin the program late. I will be there from May 27
until August 8. This means I will stay one week longer than the other
students. The program will pay me a stipend of $720.00 for that period.
The Archbishop and I discussed that I would need some money to cover
expenses which the stipend would not cover. Also participating in the
program will cause me not to be able to take a summer job. This means
that I will not have any money for books, personal expenses, etc. for
the coming school year. Archbishop Dwyer determined that I should
try to ascertain how much money I would need for the coming year and
then see Mr. Alex Barbaris about it. He seemed to be quite supportive
of the entire deal!!

So, Archbishop, it is about these financial matters that I write to
you and hope to talk to you about. I am including with this letter a
Xeroxed description of the program in Delaware. I am also including
an analysis of my expenses for the summer and one for the coming year.

I almost forgot to mention that if possible, I would like to stay on
the east coast for the three or four weeks remaining before school
begins. I do not know if I will have that opportunity again in the
near future. I have written Dom Jerome Hayden, OSB, director of the
Marsalin Institute in Holliston, Massachusetts, about working in his
institution for this period. It is an Institute for the Archdiocese
of Boston which deals with emotional disturbed children and also does
work in vocational screening, etc. I thought it only fair not to ask
for room & board for this period plus a stipend. I am only asking

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for room and board and no stipend. I have not yet heard from Dom Jerome, but will tentatively include those three weeks in my planning.

I also included a visit to my family in Surrey, British Columbia. I am scheduled to be through with classes, etc. by May 24. I am planning to be done by May 23 and would like to spend a day or so with my family before flying to the east coast from Vancouver, B.C. There are some delicate family matters which are causing a lot of tension right now and I think that my presence there would help the situation a great deal.

I look forward to discussing these matters with you, Archbishop, and I do hope that this meets with your approval. I assure you of my prayers and ask that you remember me in your prayers. May God be with you. I remain,

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Phil Steigerwald
Philip J. Steigerwald
Aquinas Hall
Mt. Angel Seminary
St. Benedict, OR 97373
SCHOOL YEAR OF 1974-1975

Books, paper and supplies $ 60.00
Travel (My family lives in British Columbia and this cost includes one trip at Christmas and one at Easter) $ 60.00
Laundry 40.00
Recreation and miscellaneous ($$45.00/month) 405.00

TOTAL $565.00

SUMMER EXPENSES FOR C.P.E. AT DELAWARE STATE HOSPITAL/1974

Room ($$20.00/month) $ 50.00
Board = ($$4.00/day) 308.00
Tuition ($$25.00 already payed by me) 150.00
Travel (One-way/Portland to Vancouver to Philadelphia) 196.67
Hotel, meals in Philadelphia 25.00
Train (Philadelphia to New Castle, Delaware) 8.00
Laundry 17.00
Recreation 150.00

TOTAL +$904.67
MINUS STIPEND -$720.00
BALANCE (DEFICIT) -$184.67

Return trip by train $132.00
Meals 11.00

TOTAL -$143.00

TOTAL DEFICIT -$327.67

If I should be accepted by Dom Jerome Hayden, QSB at the Marsalin Institute, then I would probably have about some $60.00 extra.
May 16, 1974

Mr. Philip Steigerwald
Mt. Angel Seminary
St. Benedict, Oregon 97373

Dear Phil,

This is to inform you that after conferring with Archbishop Power on May 15, 1974, you have his approval to attend the Clinical Pastoral Education Program in New Castle, Delaware.

Thank you for your patience in waiting the other day but I'm sure the above information is what you desired.

Peace,

Rev. Gerald Quintal
Director of Vocations

Q/cd
DIVISION OF MENTAL HEALTH
DELAWARE STATE HOSPITAL
NEW CASTLE, DELAWARE 19720
PHONE: (302) 421-6021

CLINICAL PASTORAL EDUCATION ANNOUNCEMENT

SIXTH QUARTER - MAY 20, 1974 - AUGUST 1, 1974

The Department of Pastoral care of the Delaware State Hospital is pleased to announce a Summer Quarter of Clinical Pastoral Education. There are six positions available at a modest stipend. Housing and board may be obtained at an extremely nominal fee. The fee for this period of training is $150 and the program is accredited by the Association for Clinical Pastoral Education.

PURPOSE OF EDUCATION: In addition to counseling with individuals, work with small groups, and Christian worship, the program emphasizes the meaning and value of religion in the life experiences of persons. With this in mind, the process will have two foci: first of all, it will focus on the religious dimensions of personality, the use of religious experiences for growth (sanctification), and change (salvation), and the pastor's use of his own personality as a religious and therapeutic instrument for help and healing; secondly, it will focus on the meaning of the Christian and therapeutic community. Students will have opportunity to understand the relationship of health structures to the community of faith, seeing the effects of both on the lives of human beings. The question of "life style" for ourselves, our patients, and the institution is ultimately raised by these questions.

DELAWARE STATE HOSPITAL: The Delaware State hospital has three psychiatric services corresponding to the catchment areas of the State, a treatment center for alcoholics, a medical-surgical unit, a geriatric service, a service for mentally ill offenders, and a night hospital service. On or near the grounds are a treatment center for children and the Southern York County Comprehensive Community Mental Health Center with in-patient and out-patient services, a day hospital, and an emergency service. Delaware State Hospital is a teaching hospital involving educational affiliations with medical, nursing, and theological schools.

LOCATION: Delaware State Hospital is located three miles south of Wilmington on Route 14, next to the intersection with US 40, Interstates 295 and 95, two and one-half miles west of the Delaware Memorial Bridge. It is approximately thirty miles from Philadelphia and sixty miles from Baltimore.

APPLICATION: If you are interested in this program and wish to obtain an application, please write to Chaplain J. Richard Flowers, Delaware State Hospital, New Castle, Delaware 19720 or call area code 302 - 421-6233.

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Chancery Office
Financial Department
2338 E. Burnside
Portland, Oregon 97214

June 16, 1974

Dear Mr. Barbato:
Here is the first of my cheques for this summer program which I said I would endorse and send to you. Please acknowledge its receipt. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Phil Steigerwald
PROJECTED BUDGET FOR SUMMER 1974

Philip Heigerwaard

Expenses:

Travel .......................................................... $ 339.67
Room (2 $200.00 per month) .................................. 50.00
Board (9 $5.00 per day) ....................................... 385.00
Tuition ............................................................ 150.00
(I have already paid $25.00 of it)
Books ............................................................... 25.00
Retreat .............................................................. 15.00
Laundry ............................................................. 17.00
Recreation ......................................................... 200.00
(includes phone calls, stationery, travel expenses, extraordinary expenses, some evenings out, any miscellaneous expenses, etc.)

Total Expenses .................................................... $1220.67

Income:

Stipend for work there ........................................ $ 720.00
(2 $3.50 per hour for a 37½ week, before taxes)

Total Income ....................................................... $ 720.00

Deficit ............................................................. $ 500.67
(Expenses minus Income)

(TOTAL REQUEST FROM ARCHDIOCESE) ....................... $1220.67

Approved by

PD 2350
August 2, 1974

Rev. Boniface Lautz, O.S.B.
Mount Angel Seminary
Field Education Office
Saint Benedict
Oregon 97373

Dear Rev. Lautz:

Philip Steigerwald has satisfactorily completed the first quarter of CPE at Delaware State Hospital under the supervision of Glenn Brubacher, assistant supervisor, and J. Richard Flowers, chaplain supervisor. We have enjoyed working with Philip and are glad that he could be a part of our training group.

The evaluation process involved Philip writing an evaluation on himself and us on him. These materials are his property and he decides when he wishes to release them. We understand that he will make them available to your office.

The course of study involved per week the following:
3 hours of didactic seminars in which some basic issues of theology and clinical psychology were discussed; 4 hours of interpersonal relationship groups; 3 hours of case conferences on ministry to patients; 1 hour of sermon seminar; 5 hours of treatment staff conferences with patients from the clinical area Philip was assigned to. He also participated in the writing of a paper on ministry and the nature of man with 3 other peers; wrote 2 verbatims per week on his work with patients; one weekly self evaluation; and a mid-term and end-of-the-quarter evaluation. Normally, this quarter of training is worth 6 to 8 credit hours.

Philip will be a good salesman for this program to any student you may wish to refer to us in the future.

Sincerely Yours,

GB

cc: Archbishop Powers
Philip Steigerwald
DISCOVER DELAWARE...THE STATE THAT STARTED IT ALL

J. Richard Flowers
Chaplain Supervisor
Glenn Brubacher
Assistant Supervisor

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Portland, Oregon 97214

Dear Archbishop:

I, Philip Joseph Steigerwald, a layman of the Archdiocese of Portland in Oregon, petition that I be officially accepted as a candidate for the orders of deaconate and priesthood for service in the Archdiocese of Portland in Oregon. I make this request freely, motivated by no consideration other than the Glory of God, the desire to serve the Church in this Archdiocese and the salvation of my soul. I am aware of the obligations I assume in making this request. I will use every opportunity provided to prepare myself for these orders I hope to receive in the future.

Saint Benedict, the twelfth day of January, 1975

Philip Joseph Steigerwald

Witnessed by: Richard Razzini

Reviewed and approved, all conditions fulfilled.

W. E. Carter 1/12/75

Confidential Subject to Protective Order
The Most Reverend Cornelius Power,
Archbishop of Portland in Oregon
2838 East Burnside Street
Portland, Oregon 97214

January 12, 1975

Dear Archbishop Power:

I am writing to you in behalf of myself and Philip Steigerwald regarding our petition for Candidacy for the Diaconate and the Priesthood. We spoke to Father Curtiss today and he suggested that we write to you regarding this particular matter and explain our needs.

We are now in our third year of theology and have not yet received either Candidacy or the Ministries of Lector or Acolyte. When we entered upon our study of theology there was no such thing. The old Minor Orders existed, but soon were changed. For a number of reasons, which either ourselves or Father Curtiss can explain, we waited until now to apply. The time is a bit late, perhaps, but not irremediably so. We have spoken to Father Curtiss about the possibility of taking Candidacy privately in your chapel at Palatine Hill and he has said that he thinks this all right. We are out of sequence with our class and the normal order of reception of this ministries, etc. We hope you can see our situation and will permit us to do this privately.

I do not know if we should contact you or not, but we would be most appreciative if you could let us know, or Father Curtiss, soon so that we can begin the preparations for Candidacy. You will find enclosed our petitions for this rite already signed by Father Curtiss. We shall anxiously await word from you. Thank you, Archbishop Power, for considering our request. May God be with you always. We remain,

Sincerely yours in Jesus Christ,

[Signature]

James Mayo/Philip Steigerwald

Aquinas Hall
Mount Angel Seminary
St. Benedict, Oregon 97373

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19 January 1975

Mr. Philip J. Steigerwald
Mount Angel Seminary
St. Benedict, Oregon 97373

Dear Phil:

In acknowledging receipt of your request for the admission to Candidacy for the Diaconate and Priesthood, I readily assure you that I will be very happy to conduct the Liturgical rite at a special Mass for this purpose on Saturday, January 25, 1975, in the Chapel of the Convent of Our Lady of the Angels on S. W. Palatine Hill Road in Portland, at the hour of 9:00 a.m.

I assure you that it will be a pleasure and a privilege for me to participate in this important event in your life and in the life of Jim Mayo, who will be admitted to Candidacy at the same time.

Praying every blessing upon you, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ

†Cornelius M. Power
Archbishop of Portland in Oregon

P:uj

cc: Father Elden Curtiss

Confidential Subject to Protective Order
January 22, 1975

Philip Steigerwald
Mt. Angel Seminary
St. Benedict, Oregon 97373

Dear Phil,

This is to certify the Liturgy and Conferral to Candidacy on Saturday, January 25th, 9:00 a.m. at Palatine Hill.

There may or may not be a breakfast attached depending upon the schedule of the people involved.

See you then.

Peace,

Rev. Gerald Quintal
Director of Vocations

Q/cd
January 22, 1975

Rev. Elden Curtiss
Mt. Angel Seminary
St. Benedict, Oregon 97373

Dear Elden,

This is an invitation to the Liturgy and conferral of Candidacy for James Mayo and Philip Steigerwald at Palatine Hill on this Saturday morning, January 25th, 9:00 a.m.

There may or may not be a breakfast attached depending upon the calendar of those in attendance.

See you then.

Peace,

Rev. Gerald Quintal
Director of Vocations

Q/cd
The Most Reverend Constantine M. Power
Archbishop of Portland in Oregon
2638 East Burnside
Portland, Oregon 97233

Dear Archbishop Power:

I, Philip Joseph Steigerwald, layman/candidate for the orders of deaconate and priesthood of the Archdiocese of Portland in Oregon, petition that I may be installed in the ministry of lector. I make this request freely, motivated by no consideration other than the glory of God, the service of the Church, and the salvation of my soul. I am aware of the obligations attached to this ministry.

Sincerely,
Philip J. Steigerwald

Saint Benedict, the twenty-fourth day of January, 1975

Witnessed by:

Tim J. Nagat

Reviewed and approved, all conditions fulfilled.

Date: 1/24/75

Rector

PD 2359
ORDINATION REGISTER

This is to certify that on the 25th day of January 1975, in the Chapel of the Convent of Our Lady of the Angels at 0858 S. W. Palatine Hill Road, Portland, Oregon, Philip Steigerwald, born 12 November 1948, son of Nicholas Steigerwald and Ailene Martin, was admitted to Candidacy for the Diaconate and Priesthood, with the Most Reverend Cornelius M. Power, Archbishop of Portland in Oregon, ordaining Prelate.

Given at the Chancery, Archdiocese of Portland in Oregon, Portland, Oregon, this 28th day of January, in the year of our Lord 1975.

[Signature]
Most Reverend Cornelius M. Power, D.D.
Archbishop of Portland in Oregon

[Signature]
The Reverend Gerald M. Quintal
Archdiocesan Director of Vocations

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29 January 1975

Mr. Philip J. Steigerwald
Mount Angel Seminary
St. Benedict, Oregon 97373

Dear Phil:

This will acknowledge receipt of your request of a few days ago that you be installed in the ministry of Lector. I have received assurance from Father Elden F. Curtiss, Rector of Mount Angel Seminary, that the faculty has found you to be qualified for the reception of this ministry and has recommended that you be installed as a Lector.

Accordingly, I wish to assure you that arrangements have been made with the seminary for the installation in the ministries of Lector and Acolyte for Candidates for these ministries, Thursday, January 30, in the Chapel at Mount Angel.

I assure you that it will be a privilege and an honor for me to participate in this noteworthy and important event.

Praying every blessing upon you, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ

†Cornelius M. Power
Archbishop of Portland in Oregon

P: mj
cc: Father Elden Curtiss
January 31, 1975

Most Rev. Cornelius M. Power, D.D.
Archbishop of Portland in Oregon
2838 E. Burnside St.
Portland, Oregon 97214

RE: PHIL STEIGERWALD

Dear Archbishop Power:

At a recent meeting of the Graduate Evaluation Board, the progress and development of the Above student in our program was considered. This letter is to summarize the events and discussion of that meeting.

There was little doubt among the Board members but that this student is very seriously applying himself to the matter, purpose and reason for his being in our program. The only reason this point is mentioned in such relief is that such an attitude was not so easily discernable in the previous year. Phil, it would seem, is attempting to establish for himself a new "self image", which is one of more serious application to both prayer and studies and also one of deeper self introspection. There is little doubt but that this process is bringing with it a degree of frustration and personal hurt but the student is the first to admit that such is necessary while at the same time he is dealing with it all realistically and satisfactorily. Some members of the Board seemed to interpret some of Phil's present activity and change attempts as a sort of self defeating process which brings some interior conflict, but in spite of these comments it was felt that there has been a maturing process which is good for Phil. We felt that Phil would profit from a process of self projection into future demands so that he would deal more honestly and frankly with his initial response and commitment to given situations. This matter was communicated to him and we feel that he understood what was being said.

Phil is now mid-way through his third year of theology and it is good to observe that the whole matter of his priestly direction and goal is being taken with more seriousness and introspection. We feel that he is seriously applying himself to critical decision making as well as more intensive involvement in personal spiritual growth. Some of the above situations have brought with them a sort of tendency to withdraw more within himself but it was also felt that this matter would be practically dealt with as he becomes more comfortable with his over-all "new image". The present discomfort that he might endure will, it is hoped, be repaced with much satisfaction. He has a very good relationship with his Spiritual Director who is openly and honestly aiding him in these areas. We are pleased with Phil's progress and gave him what we felt to be encouragement to continue. He is appreciative to you for the Candidacy and Ministry which he recently received. If you have any further questions at this time, please let me know.

Sincerely yours,

(Rev.) Simeon Van De Voord, O.S.B.
Dean of Men

cc: Fr. Quintal
Spiritual Director
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INSTALLATION INTO THE MINISTRY OF READER

This is to certify that on the 30th day of January 1975, in the Chapel of Mount Angel Seminary, Saint Benedict, Oregon, Philip J. Steigerwald, born November 12, 1948, son of Nicholas Steigerwald and Aline Martin, was INSTALLED AS READER, with the Most Reverend Cornelius M. Power, Archbishop of Portland in Oregon, officiating.

Given at the Chancery of the Archdiocese of Portland in Oregon, in the City of Portland, Oregon, this 3rd day of February in the year of Our Lord 1975.

[Signature]
Most Reverend Cornelius M. Power, DD
Archbishop of Portland in Oregon

[Signature]
The Reverend Gerald M. Quintal
Archdiocesan Director of Vocations

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Dear Jerry,

How are you? Pretty well, I hope. I am writing you about two things: acolyte and getting together with you soon to talk about some things. I would like to receive the ministry of acolyte at the end of the month at the seminarian get together with the archbishop. Actually I have been exercising it all year at Queen of Peace, but think that because I will be exercising it even more this summer, I should get it officially. I am writing you about it first before I write to the archbishop, to check out that time. What do you think? Please let me know soon so that I can write the necessary letter.

The other thing on my mind is that I have a whole host of things that are on my mind about the House and some things I'm feeling about it as well as some personal things about you that I need to talk about as they are building in me and that is not good at all. I think I'll need about an hour at least. Perhaps when you come up next we could get together. What think ye? Have a good week and I hope to see you soon.

Peacefully,

Phil
Philip J. Steigerwald  

Student Self Evaluation  

May 14, 1975  

I would like to present what I think has happened to me, in me, and around me this year, my third year of theological preparation for the priesthood. I think I am in good health, am developing well, and have some growing edges. As Eugene Kennedy says in his The Catholic Priest in the United States: Psychological Investigations, "Good health, whether it is physical or psychological, has always been easier to recognize than to describe." So, it will be difficult to describe and to do it in the prescribed one page is highly inadequate and, in fact, absurd. I shall try.  

The three biggest influences on my life this year have been the Clinical Pastoral Education program which I participated in at Delaware State Hospital last summer, Paschal Cheline, O.S.B., and Aidan Shea, O.S.B. The C.P.E. program brought in focus much more clearly many of my strengths and weaknesses. It helped me define my pastoral abilities which I believe are considerable. It also helped me to see that I have been living too much as the "nice" guy, i.e., not assertive when the situation called for it in my personal relationships. I am thinking specifically of my fear of expressing anger. I began this year with a new strength and determination to be more honest in this area of my life. I has proved to be a very good, but a very painful experience. I no longer wished to live up to the clown image that I had created and that, as I saw it, was much perpetuated by my peers. This brought considerable discomfort and varied reactions from my friends. It ranged from warm acceptance to cold and indifferent disregard. I spent a good portion of the earlier part of the year feeling alienated from my surrounding. Some delayed growing was beginning again to happen. Appropriate anger at last was beginning to be dealt with and was resulting in some loss of friends as well as a strengthening of other relationships. I think this year I have been able to develop a more realistic perspective on the limits of my defenses. I have a very honest counseling relationship with Father Paschal and he has helped me come to considerable insight. The intense example of Father Aidan to be honest in revealing myself while at the same time not playing psychologically strip tease has given me courage to speak honestly of what is happening inside of me. Father Paschal has discussed with me a certain lack of depth he perceives in me. While one cannot work with depth as a goal, I am doing some things that are bringing about some of that depth. I feel more deeply involved in the process of living than I ever have in my twenty-six years of life. I feel physically, emotionally, and spiritually alive and I like it. The development of my potential is something which I view as an intrinsically religious action. I believe that I have the necessary resources to continue growth, but need help and encouragement to achieve the kind of maturity that I am seeking.  

This year I have worked on weekends at Queen of Peace Church in Salem where I have had an adult scripture inquiry class, a baptism preparation class, preached about once a month, done some hospital visiting, and distributed Communion at Mass and occasionally to the sick. It has been a very good experience for me, as well, I think, for the people of the parish. My pastoral identity has grown and is more secure. It feels very good to not just be one the receiving end of the educational process, but to be giving some of what I have learned and to share my faith with the people. I like parish ministry very much and find it both frustrating.
at times, and also quite fulfilling. I look forward to ordination to the deaconate in the not too distant future. I think I am rather sensitive to people's needs and to what they need to help them grow as persons and in their faith in Our Lord and am anxious to be a full-time minister. The Lord blesses me much and I look forward to spending time with Him each day just sitting, often not saying much. By that I mean often my prayer is not verbal, but is just sitting in the presence of the Lord. I look forward to my prayer time. It is my prayer that keeps my pastoral sense alive. Also what keeps my prayer alive is daily reading of scripture and some spiritual reading.

I also see a greater need for discipline in my life. I had not recognized that I had somewhat of a lack of it until this year. When I did begin to see it, I did not know what to do about it. This is very understandable to me; I come from a very undisciplined family. Some of the ways I am trying to put discipline in my life are by fasting, running, and trying to be more moderate in any kind of self-indulgence no matter how good or legitimate.

Yours Sincerely,

Philip J. Steigerwald
Evaluation Report: Philip Steigerwald

Phil Steigerwald and I have met regularly during this past year. In my judgement we have had an excellent relationship for counseling.

I characterize this year as one of solid growth for Phil. He has moved through several difficult situations: academic, personal, and social, and has done so smoothly. He recognizes situations which should be dealt with, and we have openly and rather thoroughly discussed the matters as they arose. I do not think individual examples need be mentioned.

The areas where I see a need for continued concern are the following: personal discipline and spiritual depth. Phil comes from a family where self discipline was not practiced. He has come to the realization of it in his own life, and yet it will be difficult to achieve due to lack of it in his earlier life. I see it as an absolute necessity for Phil; I strongly encourage him, therefore, in this matter.

Phil and I have discussed the need for achieving a depth of experience, especially in the area of the spiritual life. This is a life-long project, but Phil must work for it now.

In summary, I am pleased with Phil's development. He has quite evidently grown during the course of this year. For this I commend him, and I encourage serious concentration on the two matters mentioned above.

Father Paschal Cheline, O.S.B.
Counselor

May 14, 1975
Student Evaluation

Re: Philip Steigerwald

By: Fr. Boniface Lautz, CSB
Director of Field Education

May 14, 1975

Phil is completing his year's work at Queen of Peace Parish in Salem under the supervision of Fr. Dan Reynolds, the pastor. He has conducted adult classes in Scripture, assisted in Baptism preparation classes, assisted at Sunday liturgy, including preaching, and has had general after-Sunday-Mass contact with the parishioners.

Philip indicates that it has been a good year for him. He has used some creative initiative in his sermons and was well received. He did not have large turn-outs for the Scripture classes, but felt that those attending were interested and learned something. The pre-Baptism classes were shared with the two parish priests and went well. Fr. Reynolds reports that Phil did a good job. His only negative criticism was that he felt Phil might be more attentive to detail in such matters as straightening up the church after the last Mass.

Phil is scheduled to spend the summer at Queen of Peace starting on June 14. His own goals include a broader picture and involvement in the parish life. This should be possible since he will be serving as a quasi-'associate' during the vacation periods of the two priests.

Phil feels he needs greater confidence in working with high-school age students, and also needs to improve in his ability to say "no". As regards this latter he has had to struggle over several months with how to disengage himself from a parishoner who seems to be using him as a counselor when he has no desire to be her counselor. He has found ways to let her know that he is busy. He has not found strength to tell her that he would prefer she didn't come to him. However, Phil says he is growing in his ability to risk being disliked when that is appropriate.

Phil will have completed his field education requirements for the 1st. Div. at the end of this term. He hopes that he will not be involved regularly in a field assignment next year so that he can devote time to preparing for his comprehensives.

My assessment is that Phil has a good pastoral sense about him and will give himself generously. He tends to need some further discipline in his choice of priorities related to time...he can spend great amounts of time preparing for one thing and other things tend to slip a bit in the process. He has demonstrated his ability to be competent in ministry and is able to utilize his personal resources in a positive and effective manner.
TO: GRADUATE EVALUATION BOARD

RE: PHIL STEIGERWALD

To be Evaluated: May 14, 1975 - 1:00 P.M.

From: Fr. Simeon Van De Voord, O.S.B. [Revised copy]

Phil is completing his third year of theological study in our program. He is 26 years of age, the youngest of four children in his family. His parents are retired and live in Vancouver, B.C. He received his U/G degree from Portland State U. while in residence at the House of Studies in Portland. He has made his public candidacy to study for the priesthood and has also received the minor ministry of Lector. He hopes to receive the ministry of acolyte this summer.

During his first year in our program, Phil had to work through and overcome some of the typical tensions about a student from the House of Studies attending Mt. Angel Seminary. Those tensions were part and typical of the general climate of that time but he worked through them most successfully during the first year here. Last year was a time of "relaxation" for Phil in that he felt more comfortable in our program and could be more of the kind of person he thought and knew himself to be. It was, however, a time of gradual growth in the awareness of the calling he was responding to without realizing the dimensions it would place upon him in the years ahead. This year, Phil has not had it as easy as last year in that he has had to come to real grips with his own personal commitment to his calling and the kind of response he wished to make to this priestly desire. The process has brought with it a change in Phil to the extent that he has become far more serious about his own image, his direction and the person he is both inside and out. The realization that priesthood is getting quite close now, has brought with it an added dimension of seriousness about being responsible for himself to be as prepared as he can be for the pastoral ministry. His M.A. education in the last couple of years has aided him greatly in this regard as has his past Summer in C.P.E. work. In some ways, he has had to pay a price in giving up an image of the "very social" young man to that of one who is most serious and intent upon his purpose. As a result, the year has been probably one of his most profitable, but not without pain. In my discussions with Phil, I feel that he knows he will have to endure some anxiety and temporary confusion in subsequent years as regards his priesthood and its significance in his family. Phil has a Brother-in-law who is a non-active priest in Canada and just what the ramifications of this fact may mean in the future are uncertain. Phil admits that he has made great strides in knowing himself more fully this year and that he has undergone some normal vocational doubts, the latter primarily encouraged by his desire for consistency and depth in his prayer life.

Phil has been very responsible for and with community exercises this year and seems far more involved in accomplishing to his academic ability. He has tended to withdraw a bit from the center of activity which fact does cause me some concern but at the same time I feel it has been good for Phil to come to mature grips with the reality of the priesthood to which he is firmly committed at the present time. The anxieties he feels now and which will undoubtedly be a part of the future are normal anxieties about one's ability to meet the expectations of the priesthood.

He is an emotional young man who does need affirmation and positive and even negative support and this from those persons whom he deeply respects. His relationship with his Spiritual Director this year has been consistent and good for his growth and clarification. Phil still has to work out some of the negative feelings he has about himself so that these will not impede his own effectiveness or override his potential for leadership and effectiveness in his ministry. I am pleased with Phil's over-all change in posture and attitude and encourage him to feel more comfortable with himself and his readiness for ministry. I would hope that he does keep his spontaneity and humor in good order and readiness at all times.

Fr. Simeon Van De Voord, O.S.B.

Dean of Men
May 15, 1975

Graduate Evaluation Board Report

For: Philip Steigerwald

Philip is completing his third year of graduate studies. He is working toward both the Master of Divinity and the Master of Arts Degrees. He will be receiving the former this spring and the latter next spring. His performance in the program has been good, as is evidenced by his 3.18 cumulative g.p.a. Yet Philip has areas in which he needs to grow. He needs to be more determined in setting goals and adhering to them. He tends to fluctuate with the situation of the moment. He is currently working on this area of his development with his counselor.

Philip is pleased with the academic program with the exception of courses taught by one teacher, whom he feels is too pedantic and esoteric in his approach for men who are training for pastoral ministry.

(Rev.) Adrian Bowlin, O.S.B.
Academic Dean
May 15, 1975

Dear

I want to invite you to an afternoon of recollection: prayer, liturgy and shared reflections on ministry and priesthood to be celebrated at Palatine Hill on May 30, 1975 (Friday from 3:30 p.m. - 7:15 p.m.).

Our day will include an evening meal about 5:30 p.m. and the Liturgy prior to that (around 4:30 p.m.). During the liturgical celebration, Jim Mayo and Phil Steigerwald will receive the ministry of acolyte.

The contents of the afternoon will be taken from the publication: Spiritual Renewal of the American Priesthood, published by the U.S. Catholic Conference, 1312 Massachusetts Ave., Washington, D.C. If you do not have a copy, I'll try to supply that portion of the publication which we will use.

I am sending this invitation to all incoming first Theology students.

Hope to see you there.

Peace,

Rev. Gerald Quintal
Director of Vocations

Q/cd
May 16, 1975

Most Rev. Cornelius M. Power, D.D.
Archbishop of Portland in Oregon
2838 E. Burnside
Portland, Oregon 97214

RE: PHIL STEIGERWALD

Dear Archbishop Power:

The Graduate Evaluation Board met recently and considered the progress and development in our program of the above student. The individual and Private reports of the Board members are included with this letter for your further information and clarification.

The over-all feeling of the Board was favorable and positive concerning this young man. It was evident during the Evaluation session, however, that Phil was under some form of anxiety and pressure concerning the assessment. He seems to operate and be most clear and precise about himself and where he is when not in these kinds of pressure situations. We feel that he will become more comfortable and at ease as he becomes accustomed to responding about himself and concerning his own interior feelings without fear of rejection. He has worked hard on his own image and identity this year and he is to be commended for this effort and effect. He still may lack the full kind of discipline that will be most helpful to him in later ministry but again it is a matter about which he is concerned and with which he is working. It was also a feeling and consensus of the Board members that Phil is constructively identifying his own feelings within himself so that he becomes more positively aware of his reactions to differing situations in which he may operate. He has learned a great deal from his Field Educational experience and receives much affirmation concerning his decision for the priesthood from this source of involvement. This student has made a remarkable adjustmental change in his life during the past year and it appears as though his depth and seriousness of commitment is bettered by this adjustment.

We hope that Phil will continue to clarify his own feelings about himself and thus be able to more freely share these feelings and attitudes with those who will give him the support he needs.

Encl.
cc Fr. Quintal
Student File
Spiritual Director

Sincerely yours,

(Rev.) Simeon Van De Voort, O.S.B.
Dean of Men

Confidential Subject to Protective Order
The Most Reverend
Cornelius Power
Archbishop of Portland in Oregon
2838 E. Burnside Street
Portland, Oregon 97214

Dear Archbishop Power:

I, Philip Joseph Steigemayl, candidate for the orders of deaconate and priesthood in the Archdiocese of Portland in Oregon, petition that I may be installed in the ministry of Acolyte. I make this request freely and motivated by the love of the Lord, and the service of the Church, and my own salvation. I am aware of the obligations attached to this ministry.

Witnessed by:

Philip J. Steigemayl

St. Benedict, the 19th day of May, 1975.

Reviewed and approved, all conditions fulfilled.
May 19, 1975

Eldert. Curtis

President - Rector

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Sincerely,

Philip J. Steigemayl

St. Benedict, the 19th day of May, 1975.

Reviewed and approved, all conditions fulfilled.
May 19, 1975

Eldert. Curtis

President - Rector

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5-22-75
INSTALLATION INTO THE MINISTRY OF ACOLYTE

Philip Steigervald personally and of his own free will has petitioned for installation into the MINISTRY OF ACOLYTE.

The records of this Chancery show that the above applicant was admitted to CANDIDACY for the Diaconate and Priesthood on the 25th day of January 1973.

The records further show that the applicant was installed into the MINISTRY OF READER on the 30th day of January 1975.

Accordingly, the undersigned Archbishop of Portland in Oregon does herewith accept the petition of the aforesaid applicant and grant permission for him to be installed into the MINISTRY OF ACOLYTE at the liturgical rite to be celebrated at

Palatine Hill Convent
Portland, Oregon
May 30, 1975

MOST REVEREND CORNELIUS M. POWER, OFFICIATING

Given at the Chancery of the Archdiocese of Portland in Oregon, this 19th day of May 1975.

[Signature]
ARCHBISHOP OF PORTLAND IN OREGON

[Signature]
ARCHDIOCESAN DIRECTOR OF VOCATIONS
Ordination
To Be Held
In Salem

SALEM—The Rev. Mr. Philip Steigerwald will be ordained to
the priesthood by Archbishop
Power at 7 p.m., Sunday, June 20,
at Queen of Peace Church here.
He will be the second student who
attended the Archdiocesan House
of Studies four years to be or-
dained.
The Rev. Mr. Steigerwald will
offer his first Mass at 6:30 p.m.,
June 21, at Queen of Peace
Church.

He was born in Windsor, Ont.,
Nov. 21, 1948, and has lived in
Oregon since 1967. He is the son
of Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Steiger-
wald of Vancouver, B.C.
The Rev. Mr. Steigerwald re-
ceived his bachelor of science de-
gree in philosophy from Portland
State University in 1972 and last
May received his master of divi-
inity degree at Mt. Angel Theolo-
gate.
During the last summer and
school year the Rev. Mr. Steiger-
wald served his deacon internshi-
program at Queen of Peace Par-
ish, Salem. Prior to that he at-
tended a clinical pastoral educa-
tion program at the state mental
hospital in New Castle, Del.
The Rev. Mr. Steigerwald has
been involved pastorally in par-
ishes and general and mental hos-
pital. This year he helped coordi-
nate the undergraduate program
of service-oriented apostolates at
Mt. Angel Seminary College.
Phil Steigerwald
ARCHBISHOP Power anoints the hands of Father Philip Steigerwald during ordination June 20 at Queen of Peace Church in Salem. Greig Schnurbusch, left, and Philip Alderman are the acolytes. Father Steigerwald has been assigned as an associate at Queen of Peace where he said his first Mass June 21.
INSTALLATION INTO THE MINISTRY OF ACOLYTE

This is to certify that on the 30th day of May, 1975, in the Chapel of Our Lady of the Angels Convent, Portland, Oregon, Philip Steigerwald was INSTALLED AS ACOLYTE, with the Most Reverend Cornelius M. Power, Archbishop of Portland in Oregon, officiating.

Given at the Chancery of the Archdiocese of Portland in Oregon, in the City of Portland, Oregon, this 3rd day of June in the year of Our Lord 1975.

Most Reverend Cornelius M. Power
Archbishop of Portland in Oregon

The Reverend Gerald M. Quintal
Archdiocesan Director of Vocations

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The Most Reverend
Archbishop Cornelius Power of Portland in Oregon
2838 East Burnside
Portland, Oregon 97214

Dear Archbishop Power:

I pray that you are doing well. We all are praying for you especially during this time of your hospitalization.

I have talked with Father Curtis about my deaconate ordination. He supports me in it at this time and in my request for ordination on December 13, 1975. I have also talked with Father Dan Reynolds and Father Don Buxton of Queen of Peace in Salem. They also are supportive of my ordination in December and have agreed upon a the day and time. With your approval and permission, I would like to be ordained, then, at Queen of Peace Church in Salem on December 13, 1975 at 2:00 P.M.

Having discussed this with Father Curtis, I have chosen Saturday, December 13 because it is one week before the students of Mount Angel return home for Christmas vacation and this way any friends here at school would be able to celebrate with me the day of my ordination.
I hope you will approve of my ordination in December during the season of Advent. The season of preparing the way for the Lord seems to me to be a very appropriate time to be ordained whereas the order of deaconate is also one of service preparing the way for the Lord.

Sincerely and respectfully,

Philip Joseph Steigenfeld
The Most Reverend
Archbishop Curtis Power of Portland in Oregon
2838 East Burnside
Portland, Oregon 97214

Dear Archbishop Power:

I, the undersigned Philip Joseph Steigerwald, an acolyte and admitted as a candidate for orders for the Archdiocese of Portland in Oregon do hereby petition that I may be advanced to the order of deaconship. I make this request freely, motivated by no consideration other than the glory of God, the service of the Church of Portland in Oregon and the salvation of my soul. I am fully aware of the specific obligations attached to this order, and so swear in God's sight and with the Holy Gospels at hand.

I hereby renew my Profession of Faith in all that the Holy Roman Catholic Church believes and teaches; having reviewed the Symbol of Faith, I subscribe to it with open mind and heart; I declare my intention of remaining permanently in the Archdiocese of Portland in Oregon.

Sworn before and
Witnessed by

[Signature]

Date: September 17, 1975

Philip Joseph Steigerwald

[Signature]

[Signature]
September 23, 1975

Philip J. Steigerwald
Aquinas Hall
Mt. Angel Seminary
St. Benedict, Oregon 97373

Dear Philip:

The December 13, date you requested for your ordination to the diaconate is clear on the Archbishop's calendar. You, no doubt, know he is presently recovering from surgery. Will try to get a confirmation of that date for you as soon as he is up to making commitments.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

(Rev.) Joseph Jacobberger
Chancellor

JJ/es

Confidential Subject to Protective Order
The Reverend Gerald Quintal  
The House of Studies  
1538 S.W. Montgomery Street  
Portland, OR 97201

October 16, 1975

Dear Jerry,

We are writing to inquire into the status of our petitions for the Order of Deaconship which we wrote for in early September. We do realise that the Archbishop has been ill and has had to recuperate, but would sincerely appreciate your checking on this matter for us.

We wrote to Father Jacobberger, the Chancellor, and received notification from him that the dates we had chosen were free on the Archbishop's calendar. We do not know if he put these two occasions on the calendar even on a tentative basis.

The ordination is about two months away and there are a lot of things to be done before it occurs. There is a matter of a retreat to be scheduled and that should be done soon. There are arrangements to be made with the parishes where we will be ordained, etc.

We do not wish to appear to be pressuring in any way, but are a bit concerned that this matter be brought to the Archbishop's attention if it has not already.

Thank you for your assistance. You have proven very valuable in all of these kinds of things. God bless.

We remain,

Sincerely yours in Christ,

James L. Mayo/Philip Steigerwald

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October 23, 1975

Philip Steigerwald
Mt. Angel Seminary
St. Benedict, Oregon 97373

Dear Phil,

I received your letter dated October 16th and went from my office to Father Joe Jacobbarger's office to confer with him about the dates which you requested for ordination to the diaconate in December. He informed me at that time, that the dates remain free. He also stated that he brought the matter before the Archbishop's attention and that he has yet to confirm those dates on his own calendar. At the present moment the Archbishop continues to make his own appointments and therefore it will be up to him to state either by letter or from himself or by information to myself or Joe, whether these times which you requested are okay with him.

You might want to think at least for a Plan B, about some neutral parish church where both of you could celebrate the ordination together in case the Archbishop is not healed or strong enough to do both on consecutive days. I add this comment for your own thinking on the matter since it is conceivable that such should happen. At least this way the gist of my conversation with Joe.

The Archbishop is now in California and will not be returning to Oregon until the first of November and therefore I will try to bring the matter before his attention again during the first week of his presence here. At this time I'm not sure how long he will work each day and so between myself and Joe, he will receive the message and you should be hearing from one of us within the first week of November, I hope.

Thank you for bringing this matter to my attention and please know that I will do all within my power to resolve the question marks related to the dates which you requested.

With continued prayers for you and your up-coming ordination, I am

In the Peace of Christ,

Rev. Gerald Quintal
Director of Vocations

Q/cd

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The Most Reverend Cornelius M. Power  
The Chancery Office  
2838 East Burnside Street  
Portland, Oregon 97207  

October 25, 1975  

Dear Archbishop Power:  

We write this letter with the sincere hope that you are soon to be in your office, restored to health, and soon to be well totally. You have been in our prayers since you became ill.  

We were speaking with Father Curtiss yesterday about our diaconate plans and we mentioned that the time was growing short and that there were a lot of things to do before the 13th and 14th of December. He agreed that perhaps we should write to you explaining our concerns and mentioning options that occur to us at this moment. It will perhaps give you a chance to look over these and then give us some decision.  

It seems to us that there are perhaps four immediate options which come to mind. They are:  

1. To leave the arrangements as they are already with you as the ordaining prelate;  
2. To have perhaps Archbishop Dwyer come in and do the ceremonies if you are not up to it (knowing us previously, etc.);  
3. To have one ordination ceremony on the 13th instead of two ceremonies;  
4. To cancel these dates and move the ceremonies up to January or some other date.  

We would, of course, prefer to have two separate ceremonies, but are quite amenable to whatever arrangements you see fit and proper. We do not wish to appear to be "pushy," so to speak, but there are a number of reasons why we would prefer some definitive response. A number of people here are staying here for the Interterm period for the sole reason of our ordination. They would not stay here if it were not to occur. There are many arrangements which have to be made with musicians, printers, the pastors, the altar societies, friends, families, etc. which would better be made even before this date. We have had people ask us many questions and we have had to put them off because we simply do not know your response.  

Let us repeat again that we are amenable to whatever decision you make. We are a bit nervous because we do not know if it is going to happen or not. We thank you for considering these options and any others that occur to you. We do understand that you have been sick and not able to do much work, etc.  

Thank you and God bless you. You remain in our prayers. Do remember us also.  

Filially yours in Christ,  

James L. Mayo & Phil Steigerwald

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PD 2386
November 14, 1975

Mr. Phil Steigerwald
Mount Angel Seminary
St. Benedict, Oregon 97373

Dear Phil:

This will confirm the fact that, through Father Gerry Quintal and Father Alan Kennedy, we have set up a date and place for your ordination to the Deaconship. As I understand it, the ordination will take place at St. Mary's Cathedral on Saturday, December 13, at 1 p.m. Having the ordination for the two of you at the same time may not fit in with your original plan, but I am grateful to you for foregoing the separate ordinations and consolidating it so that both of you will be ordained together.

I do have Father's petition, but I do not find one for you, Phil. It could very well be that Father Quintal may have all of the customary documents which are required for ordination, but, if not, I would ask you to check with Father Curtiss to make sure that we are supplied with the papers we need.

May I assure you that during the next few weeks I will join you, your family, your fellow seminarians, and the Benedictine community, as well as your friends, in praying for you so that the graces of your ordination to the Deaconship will be received in their entirety, and will remain with you throughout your priestly life.

Again thanking you for adjusting your schedule to fit in with the restrictions and limitations imposed upon me because of my recent surgery, I remain

Fraternally yours in Christ,

+Cornelius M. Power
Archbishop of Portland

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November 17, 1975

Mr. Philip Steigerwald
Mt. Angel Seminary
St. Benedict, Oregon 97373

Dear Phil,

I talked with Archbishop Power re your letter for Diaconate. He asked me to have you place your signature on this copy and that will suffice.

You can either mail this in or return it with me on Wednesday.

Peace,

Rev. Gerald Quintal
Director of Vocations

O/cd
Enclosure
November 19, 1975

The Most Rev. Cornelius M. Power, D.D.
The Chancery Office
2838 East Burnside St.
Portland, Oregon

Dear Archbishop,

I'm glad to know you have called Philip Steigerwald to the diaconate. In the weekends and the past summer he spent at Queen of Peace, I find him a fit candidate for the priestly ministry. He has been eager to take this final step before the priesthood.

His willingness to serve the people of the parish was very evident along with his constant concern for the people of the parish. He is a very prayerful person and has a genuine concern for meaningful celebration of the liturgy; his part at daily Mass indicated that to me as well as his fine preaching of the word. It is very obvious he desires the pastoral ministry for he relates very well to people of all age groups and people in turn feel very comfortable around him.

He has been very faithful in following my direction. A number of times he and I had some very frank discussions on the priestly life & ministry. He also showed a deep interest in all phases of parish life.

As his pastor this past year, I would consider him well qualified to receive the order of deacon. I would recommend in his final months of preparation for the priesthood he continue to share in a pastoral ministry if that is possible. Thank you for giving my recommendation your consideration.

Fraternally in Christ,

Dan Reynolds

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PROFESSION OF FAITH

I, Philip Joseph Nicholas Steigerwald, with firm faith, believe and profess all and everything that is contained in the Symbol of Faith (the Creed), that is:

I believe in one God.
The Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible.
And I believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God. Born of the Father before all ages. God of God, Light of Light, true God of true God. Begotten, not made, of one substance with the Father. By whom all things were made. Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven. And he became flesh by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary: and was made man. He was also crucified for us, suffered under Pontius Pilate, and was buried. And on the third day he rose again, according to the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead. And of his kingdom there will be no end. And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. Who together with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, and who spoke through the prophets. And one holy, Catholic, and Apostolic Church. I confess one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. And I await the resurrection of the dead. And the life of the world to come. Amen.

I firmly embrace and accept all and everything which has been either defined by the Church's solemn deliberation or affirmed and declared by its ordinary magisterium concerning the doctrine of faith and morals, accordingly as they are proposed by it, especially those things dealing with the mystery of the Holy Church of Christ, its sacraments and the sacrifice of the Mass, and the primacy of the Roman Pontiff.

Signed in my presence this 19th day of November 1975

Eldon E. Custis
Priest Witness

Signature

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DECLARATION OF FREEDOM

I, the undersigned Philip Joseph Steigerwald having presented to the Archbishop of Petra my petition for the reception of the Order of Deacon at the approach of Sacred Ordination, having diligently weighed the matter before God, do hereby testify under oath, first that I am not compelled to the reception of this Sacred Order by any coercion or force, or by any fear, but do spontaneously desire it and of my own full and free will wish to receive it, as I am convinced and feel that I am really called by God.

I profess that I know fully all the obligations and other consequences which this Sacred Order entails, which of my own will I desire and purpose to receive, and I resolve to observe them all, with the help of God, most diligently during the entire course of my life.

In particular I declare that I clearly understand all that the law of celibacy implies, and I firmly resolve that, with God's help, I will willingly fulfill it and keep it in its entirety until death.

Finally, in all sincerity, I promise that I will most obediently observe, according to the Sacred Canons, all that my superiors command me and ecclesiastical discipline requires, and that I am prepared to set a good example both in word and deed, in order that I may be rewarded by God for the undertaking of so great an office.

So I promise, vow, and swear, so help me God and these His Holy Gospels which I touch with my hands.

Date November 19, 1975

Philip Joseph Steigerwald
(Signature of candidate)

Elden Curtis
President-Rector

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OATH OF INTENDED RETENTION OF DOMICILE

I, the undersigned, Philip Joseph Steigernard, born in the Diocese (Archdiocese) of London, Ontario in Canada and now having my residence in the Diocese (Archdiocese) of Portland in Oregon, declare my intention by this document of remaining permanently in the same Diocese (Archdiocese).

So I vow and swear, so help me God, and these Holy Gospels which I touch with my hand.

[Signature]

November 19, 1975

[Delegated Witness]
November 25, 1975

Most Rev. Cornelius M. Power, D.D., Ph.D.
Archbishop of Portland
2838 E. Burnside
Portland, Oregon 97214

Dear Archbishop Power,

I, President-Rector of Mount Angel Seminary, testify to the following points necessary for the promotion of Philip Joseph Steigerwald to the diaconate. He has:

1) been baptized and confirmed Catholic and admitted to the body of candidates;
2) he will have completed his studies required by Canon 976;
3) he has been installed into the ministries of lector and acolyte and has exercised them satisfactorily;
4) he has been approved by the Rector and the faculty of the seminary;
5) he has obtained the necessary testimonial letters;
6) he has passed the examination "de ordine susciendo" (Canon 996);
7) he has taken the oath mention in Canon 981;
8) he has made the retreat according to Canon 1001;
9) he has taken the oath of freedom and knowledge of obligations of Sacred Orders;
10) he has made the Profession of Faith (Canon 1406, #7).

I, your delegate, have personally interviewed him and I am satisfied that he understands the obligations attached to Sacred Orders and that he is ready to assume them freely and from the proper motives.

I am respectfully yours in Christ,

Very Reverend Elen P. Curtiss
President-Rector
ORDINATION TO DIACONATE

This is to certify that on the 13th day of December, 1975 at the Church of St. Mary's Cathedral, Portland, Oregon, Philip Steigerwald, born November 12, 1948, son of Nicholas Steigerwald and Aline Martin received the SACRED ORDER OF DIACONATE, with the Most Reverend Cornelius M. Power, Archbishop of Portland in Oregon, ordaining Prelate.

Given at the Chancery of the Archdiocese of Portland in Oregon, in the City of Portland, Oregon, this 15th day of December in the year of Our Lord 1975.

Most Rev. Cornelius M. Power, DD, JCD
Archbishop of Portland in Oregon

Rev. Gerald M. Quintal
Archdiocesan Director of Vocations

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January 13, 1975

The Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception

Order of Deaconship

To the

James Mayo and Philip Steigman

Of

ordination

The
The Reverend Gerald Quinlan:

Master of Ceremonies:
The Reverend Brother Francis Benedict, O.S.B.

Choir:
Mr. Thomas Doohan
Mr. Stephen Walsh

Lectures:
The Very Reverend Alan Kennedy

Section of the Clergy:
The Reverend Lords Baccala

Deacon:
The Reverend Simon Van der Voordt, O.S.B.

Assistant to the Archbishop:
The Most Reverend Cardinal H. Power, O.D., J.C.D.

Principal Celebrant:

MINISTERS OF THE LITURGY

Final Hymn
The Mass

Penance:

The penitent person is to make confession of their sins and is to be absolved by the priest. The penitent person is to be given the last rites if necessary.

Eucharist:

The Eucharist is the central act of the Mass. It is the Sacrament of the Body and Blood of Christ, and it is the means by which we receive the grace of Christ. The Eucharist is celebrated at the altar, and the faithful are invited to receive Communion. The priest blesses the elements of the Eucharist and prays for the faithful.

Prayer After Communion:

Let us pray...

PD 2400
Chorus: "The small tree for ever, O never and never, a tree of life."

Verse: "He who believes in Me, my own he shall be, as I am, so shall he be."

Chorus: "You shall not have life with-in you, drink of this blood, eat of this flesh of the Son of Man, and you shall have everlasting life."
SECOND READING
(Gospel: John 1:1-18)

RESPONSE

First Reading (Jeremiah 2:1-4)

First Reading (Psalms 19:2-3)

Opening Prayer (Concluding)
COMMUNION HYMN

ALL: Lord, I am not worthy to receive you.

Alleluia: Happy are those who are called to this supper.

COME TO ME, ALL WHO ARE Tired.
I will refresh you with living water.

I will not cast you out. You are my friends.

GOSPEL (John 15:7-11)

The Origin of Peace, the Gathering: A Call to the World.

COMMUNION: The peace of the Lord be with you. Always.

Bishop: Do you know if they are worthy?

Deacon: Let those who are ordained as deacons

The Rite of Ordination

(Father of Ordination:)

Whom the name is called, I am ready and willing.
1. Thank the Lord for all that he has done.
2. Pray for the kingdom, the power, and the glory of God.
3. For the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ.
4. As we wait in joyful hope, and protect us from all adversity.
5. Be ever mindful of God's presence in our day.
6. Our Father, who art in heaven.
7. In the midst of our sufferings, let us pray with confidence in the Father.

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

- Our Father, who art in heaven,
  - Hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
  - Give us this day our daily bread.
  - Forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.
  - Lead us not into temptation.
  - Deliver us from evil.

**Conclusion:** Let us pray with confidence in the Father.
Almighty God, we pray that your angel may take this sacrifice of praise from this altar in heaven and bring it down to your Son, who was crucified for us. May he include us in the sacred body and blood of your Son, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

One of the Consecrators:

Remember, Lord, those who have died and have gone before us, and especially those who serve in our church, the fellowship of your apostles and martyrs, Stephen, Matthias, Barnabas, Ignatius, Polycarp, and all the saints. Find in your presence light, happiness, and peace.

Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

One of the Consecrators:

For ourselves, we ask for your forgiveness and for all those who have wronged us, even though we have wronged them.

Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

For others, we ask for Christ's mercy and love. Do not consider what we truly deserve, but grant us your forgiveness.

Celebrate and Consecrate.

Bishop:

(Addressing the candidates on their commitment to celibacy, be men):

At your own free choice, you seek to enter the order of deacons, which is a ministry of service in the church. As deacons, you will play a crucial role in building charity in your community. You will be a servant of Christ, the humble servant of Christ, the Lord and living in the world. Notivated by a lifelong love and vocation to Christ, you will work tirelessly to build the church, to be a valued member of Christ's body, and to be an instrument of the Holy Spirit's grace. You are now committed to living a life of celibacy, to live a life of fasting and prayer, to be a witness to Christ and to live a life of dedication. You are now committed to living a life of celibacy, to live a life of fasting and prayer, to be a witness to Christ and to live a life of dedication.

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Through him, with him, in him, the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever.
This is the bread and wine offered by your priest weekly as he celebrates the priestly office of the sacred ministers. You are offered to hold with a clear conscience, to the best of your ability, the mysteries of faith as the people of Christ, to assist the priests to help the people of God to attain the communion of the faithful. Are you resolved to discharge the office of deacon with fidelity and love in order to assist the priests to help the people of God to attain the communion of the faithful? Are you willing to be ordained for the church's ministry? Underline this office.

You must declare before the people your intention to ordain yourself to the office of deacon. (See Question Two and Obtentions.)

Are you the Lord help you to persevere in this commitment?

The candidate answers:

Yes.

Are you resolved to observe the precepts of God and the church? In the presence of God and the church I therefore declare:

The candidate answers:

Yes.