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Dear Brother Knights,

For the past three years it has been my pleasure to serve as your Faithful Friar. I have spoken with our Navigator, **SK Ray Coughlin** and informed him that after this Columbian year I will not seek another term. This decision was not easy as the Assembly has always been supportive of me since I went back into the seminary in 2002. As your Friar, I have made every effort to be present at your meetings and events. Due to my transfer by the Bishop in July and my normal schedule of traveling has made it difficult for me to be present at functions and events. I feel that the Friar should be there, my schedule just does not permit me to attend functions on Saturday evenings or Sundays. It is for that reason I have asked SK Coughlin to consider asking another priest to serve in this capacity for the next Columbian year. I will complete the term, because I feel it would be unfair to you all since I committed to this. Be assured of prayers and best wishes for the future! On behalf of the pastors whom you serve I wish to thank you for your dedicated service to your parish communities, as well as our assembly. Many of us would not be able to accomplish as much as we do without the support of our local KofC Council!! I also wish to thank your wives who allow you to give of your time, talent and treasure to the Church and who often accompany you to various functions or sit at home waiting for you to be back. Thank you all for your support you have provided to me both as a seminarian and as a young priest. I am deeply in your debt. I feel privileged to have served as your Friar for this time. God Love you and Mary keep you. ~ *Fr. Derek*