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Dear People of the Our Lady of Nazareth Parish Community,

Today I must share difficult news about the former pastor of St. Kevin Parish, Father Pedro Campos. I have asked Father Campos to step aside from ministry pending investigation of his inappropriate behavior with an adult man while he was pastor of St. Kevin. Father Campos has acknowledged this behavior and will live away from parish premises while he enters a period of prayer, spiritual healing and discernment. He is cooperating with this direction. In all such cases, the Archdiocese offers to provide pastoral care through the Office of Victims Assistance Ministry.

Surely this message is upsetting to hear, especially as you join to build a new parish community. God calls us to ensure those serving our parishioners are fit for ministry and we sometimes have to make difficult decisions to fulfill that responsibility. Parishioners will always be respected if they come forward with information that needs our attention in this regard.

Please know you will be in my prayers as you go forward to create a vibrant parish. We will keep you informed about new leadership to support you during this time of renewal.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Blase Cardinal Cupic".

Archbishop of Chicago