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***25 Years as a Jesuit***

Twenty-five years ago, I entered the Jesuit novitiate at St. Charles College in Grand Coteau, Louisiana, to become a Jesuit brother. Twenty-five years later God is sending me back to the novitiate to work with the novices.

My prayer life and religious life as a Jesuit was formed and nurtured in Grand Coteau. I am grateful to return and share the spiritual wisdom given to me through prayer, through Jesuit mentors, through spiritual directors and through many others.

I am grateful for the many people who have prayed for me. I have really come to appreciate and feel the power of prayer. There were times when it was those prayers that sustained me in my religious life and vocation.

I have spent about half of these past 25 years grateful to the many benefactors for their gifts that brought about my formation as a Jesuit brother. To sit in a classroom with other religious, people of different faiths, and people from different cultures, where we could talk about God the Father, Christ the Son and the Holy Spirit was such a wonderful gift.

I have worked in many schools over the years: Jesuit High Tampa, Jesuit High New Orleans, Berchmans Academy and the Good Shepherd School. Each place was different and unique. God touched my life in a special way at each school, and I am grateful for having taught so many young men and women. They have enriched my life more than I could have imagined.

God is a God of surprises. I look forward to the surprises God will grace me with in the years ahead.

