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**Dear Parishioners and Friends of St. Francis Parish,**

**Tomorrow will hit 50, can Opening Day be far away?**

**I am picking the NY Giants to win the Super Bowl. I know, you think they aren't even in it. Just wait. That's why surprises are surprises.**

**We will be having a Parish Council meeting some time next week and also a Finance Committee meeting. Maybe together. Will let you know very soon.**

**We have dates for Confirmation and First Communions. Normal is slowly returning, but ....**

**Very sad news. One of the religious sisters from India who lives at St. James Parish in Danielson, died in a car accident going to work at the St. Joseph Living Center in Willimantic the other night. The other two sisters, passengers, were hurt pretty badly. Please keep them all in your prayers.**

**No, the weekly offering envelopes have still not come in. I called the company the other day and asked them if they thought they would be here before Easter. They were not amused. Politically correct I am not.**

**Last night Paola and I went to St. Andrew church in Colchester for another meeting regarding our Diocesan Bankruptcy situation. It was a most informative meeting and the lawyer, Mark Mintz, who is from New Orleans (ya'll) made a good presentation. Bottom line; things are progressing.**

**There are still so many questions we all have, but answers can't come until we reach a certain time and have more information. For example, how many plaintiffs will there be and how much will they collectively want? How much will the Insurance Company be willing to pay and how much can the Diocese come up with? How much will each parish have to pay?**

**Today I finished a two part re-training program mandated by the Diocese for those of us with contact with children. If we see something is not right, we have to say something. These programs have come a long way and are really excellent.**

**Child abuse comes in so many shapes and sizes and ruins a child's future. It has so many bad side effects and is very common throughout the world. And the damage done by priests is incomprehensible. Hopefully the pictures will give us something positive to think about.**

**Match the pictures and the titles. It should be pretty easy.**

**THIS IS WHY YOU CALL BEFORE YOU DIG  
NOW YOUR HOUSE IS A DUPLEX  
DIDN'T COUNT ON GIANT HAIL STONES  
GARAGE FOR ONE CAR ONLY  
HOW MANY WARNINGS DO YOU NEED  
CAN'T READ TOO WELL  
DID NOT KNOW YOUR BOAT WAS A SUBMARINE  
A WING AND A PRAYER LANDING**





















