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St Thomas V. I.,
April 19th 1927.

Dear Bishop:

It has been utterly impossible to write since receiving your letter of March 28th owing to the most exacting work of this Parish, all my time has been taken up and I still feel I had to allow many things to go undone. We had a beautiful Easter, however, and the people seem pleased and happy.

You ask me to be more explicit as to just what is implied by "spiritual direction" and "sole authority". I think I can only say that I am willing to submit my letter of March 14th to any unprejudiced persons for interpretation and will abide by its statements I make therein.

I am of course subject to mistakes like any other mortal and am at any time willing to acknowledge them. I believe the matter of the removal of the articles was a mistake and am sorry it was done without reference to you. Had you been willing to discuss anything

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with me on the occasion of my visits to you at Pagan's house, I might have had the opportunity to express my regret at the time.

After all however I do not think the change of the arches and choir seats is a matter which could justify the interpretation you have put upon it. Suffice it to say for my part that you are entirely mistaken in your feelings about me. I am very much surprised by it all and regret the situation exceedingly.

May I add that I think you mistaken me in saying I criticized, in my letter your writings to my heart about the situation.

I expect to return to San Juan on May 9th and hope to visit Ponce and Quebrada de Indios during that week.

With best wishes to you both and assuring you of my sincerity of purpose I am,
 Kindly yours,
 + Chas B. Brewster