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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I have some very sad news to report to you today regarding Deacon Kevin Klump.

Upon recent review of new information in Deacon Kevin Klump's file, the Independent Commission, who is responsible to evaluate allegations against clergy of sexual misconduct for the Archdiocese of Anchorage, determined that there is credible evidence that Deacon Kevin engaged in sexual misconduct in December of 2018. After consulting with the Archdiocesan Review Board and following their unanimous recommendation, I have denied the petition of Deacon Kevin Klump for ordination to the priesthood, and I have placed him on administrative leave pending canonical review and resolution of his status. It is important to note that the sexual misconduct did not involve a minor and/or vulnerable adult, nor did it occur at a parish. Deacon Kevin is no longer residing at St. Michael Parish.

During this time please respect Deacon Kevin's privacy. In your charity and compassion, please join with me to continue to pray for Deacon Kevin.

Sincerely in Christ,

Bishop Andrew Bellisario, C.M.
Apostolic Administrator of Anchorage
Archbishop-Designate of Anchorage-Juneau