

**Good evening everyone,**

**On behalf of St. Anthony's Parish Council, I would like to extend a warm welcome to all of you here tonight. This evening's main focus is to honour a man whose dedication and devotion has inspired us all to strive to be # 1.**

**Fr. Elie, on behalf of the Parish Council, I congratulate you and I ask the Lord to bless you with many more years of health to continue your mission of serving this Parish, which with all its ups and downs, continues to love and respect you.**

**Abouna, we can't thank you enough for all you've done for St. Anthony's Parish. Your enthusiastic nature made us eager to try harder every day to put our Parish on the map in a town rich in its diversity and cultural heritage.**

**As you celebrate the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of your priestly ordination, we rejoice with you, thanking the Lord for the many blessings that God had bestowed on you and on us through you. Our Parish wouldn't be the same without you. And for that we thank you and we say: You are # 1 !!**