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### AN ENDORSEMENT

When Jesus Christ taught in the synagogue at Capernaum, He taught his hearers and all those who would believe him thereafter that

*It is the spirit that gives life, the flesh has nothing to offer. The words I have spoken to you are spirit and they are life. Jn 6:63.*

The apostolate of the Anawim Community to daily present the word of God to us according to the lay-out plan of the Catholic Church is Christ – Centered mission and of the apostolic service by which the Scripture and the Magisterium are duly presented. The Community is doing an important work to bring the life and word of Jesus Christ to the life and work of all believers who use their pastoral journal: “Pondering the Word THE ANAWIM WAY”

The prayerful use of this journal will provide it users the spirit and the life of union with Jesus Christ in imitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary who ponder the word of God in her heart and was interiorly and externally transformed to the image of Her only Son, “the Word of Life” Jesus Christ. May the Holy Spirit fill us with His light to make us accept the word of God for what it is so that we can produce fruits for eternal harvest.

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## **Letter of endorsement**

I have been using for two years now "Pondering the Word" published by the Anawim Community for my homilies and conferences.

"Pondering the Word" is a labor of love. Inspiring. Uplifting.

"Pondering the Word" is instructive. Informative, too.

"Pondering the word" explains the Word in simple terms. Easily understood by simple people.


"Pondering the Word" contextualizes the Word of God. Relevant to current Philippine situation.

An added bonus are reflections by the Pope. Fidelity to the Church's Magisterium is proof of authentic teaching.

I wholeheartedly endorse "Pondering the Word" to all who love Jesus, the Word made flesh.

Thank you, members of the Anawim Community for publishing "Pondering the Word", a vehicle of integral evangelization.

With my blessings and prayers,

  
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## **ENDORSEMENT**

A good homily should have, at least, these two important qualities: it should be faithful to the Gospel proclaimed, and it should speak to people in the context of their respective life-situations.

In all my years of preaching to people of all ages and social backgrounds, I have found "**Pondering the Word**" published by the Anawim Community, a great help. Not only does it present the Word of God in its simplicity and richness, it likewise offers points for prayer, meditation and sharing which speak to the hearts of modern men and women as they move about in our fast-paced world.

I wish to commend the Anawim Community for this truly blessed endeavor, and may the Spirit of God continue to touch the readers of their publication and allow them to encounter the Living Word in their busy world.

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### **LETTER OF ENDORSEMENT**

**Greetings of Peace and Joy in the Lord!**

The greatest gift you can give to someone is your time. It is the best expression of love. That is why when you give someone your time, you are giving portion of your life that you will never get back.

As Christian, we need to strengthen and deepen our relationship with Christ by spending time with Him through prayer, and to ponder His words.

As I read the "Pondering the Word" the Anawim Way. I found it helpful in leading us into prayer and meditation. As we all know the demands and challenges in our country today, we need to exert more time to pray.

Likewise, reading God's word is helpful for us since it serves us as our guide in our daily living.

With this, I am pleased to recommend "Pondering the Word" the Anawim Way that can touch the lives of the readers in reading the word of God.

Thank you so much to the Anawim Community for promoting your booklet of liturgical meditations The Anawim Way in this diocese. It helps a lot!

**May God Bless You All!**

In Mary's fiat,

  
**+ JUAN DE DIOS M. PUEBLOS, D.D.**