Statement of the Diocese of Pensacola-Tallahassee
regarding the disposition of the case against Father Godugunuru Vijaya Bhaskar

The charges brought July 13, 2006 against Father Godugunuru Vijaya Bhaskar of the Diocese of Cuddapah in India, who had been assisting at Blessed Trinity Parish in Bonifay for approximately a month, were disposed of on Friday, Feb. 16, 2007. Father Vijaya entered a plea of no contest to a reduced charge of aggravated assault. He was placed on one year probation, which includes counseling. He has not served in any capacity in the Diocese since the day of the charges, and will not serve in any capacity within the Diocese in the future.