

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

MEMORANDUM

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TO: File  
FROM: Sister Rita McCarthy, CSJ  
DATE: May, 2002  
RE: (Rev. Michael Carew, S.V.D.)

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called the Chancery to report an incident that happened to her when she was 15 years old. It took place on a bus from North Conway on a CYO ski trip in 1962 or 63. Father approached the boy sitting next to on the bus and asked him to give up his seat. Father then sat next to her. It was dark on the bus and started to doze. She became aware that Father was fondling her breasts and became frightened. She feigned sleep, hoping that he would not be aware that she knew what he was doing.

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~~thought that she was evil whenever she recalled the incident. She felt unworthy to have been chosen a Deanery delegate to the New York City Conference. She had gone to Catholic Schools and Salve Regina College. is one of seven children. Her parents were good Catholics, so she could never tell them about it. When she got older, she did go to a therapist to talk about it because she was confused.~~

With all the publicity currently, she decided to come forward. She wants the Church to know that it is not a homosexual problem, but she would also like to go back to therapy and put this behind her. She had not realized that she had sublimated it. She also wants the Church to know in case Father had done similar things to others.

She knows of another girl to whom a similar thing happened. This girl was an adopted child, so she did not tell her parents, either.

Father Michael Carew was ministering at Immaculate Conception Church in Newburyport from 4/14/60 - 2/12/63 when these incidents occurred. On March 3, 1964, Father Michael Carew was incardinated into the Archdiocese of Boston.