

COVER LETTER

Dear Father,

Oct 16, 1996

My name
is _____ My son
name is _____ My
son is attending St. John's
religious education classes.

I have received a few
notices of October 19th Saturday
sacrament of reconciliation for
parents of 2nd graders, 10:00AM
Upper Church, or by appointment.

I would greatly appreciate it
if you or another senior priest
~~or~~ could meet with me

I have something very
troubling to discuss with
the Catholic Church, and so
that we may save time, I
am sending along 4 letters
that I am willing now to
share with you, you may
share this with the pastor
or whoever you feel should

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be informed, I just want someone to confront this too, I want to relieve myself from this fear & mistrust, I carry for priest. Since the father Porter case broke through the media, I thought I and my sister were the only ones this ever happened to, and I think I'm still in shock.

But when I was my son's age 8 yrs. old, I had such a love for priest, they were the closest people to God, I had such a feeling of respect for priest whenever I seen them, I looked up to them, they could do no wrong, I was so innocent.

All that was taken away, I lost all love, faith, & respect at a young age, thanks to father Rondeau, More importantly my trust in priest, How do -

Can I get it back? How do I let this go and my fear for my son. Why should he lose out in that experience of innocence, to trust, love, respect, have faith in his parish priest. Because of what I went through. I can't teach him to love God and trust, respect, love have faith, but don't trust the priest. Why did God let father Rondeau get away with this. Why did his superiors brush it under the carpet and protect him, like they did for father Porter.

No one needs to tell me twice "life just isn't fair"! after you read these letters and you sort of get a picture of where I've been, you'll know I don't need to hear it.

I've been sober and drug free for twelve years, and I've dealt with alot of painful situations in my life still do, but sober, I've heard people speak and share of alot of painful situations, and we've always found an solution or answer but this one, I'm dum founded, I won't and I can't trust my son in your hands, not the way my mother & father did. This priest father Bondeau baptis't me and my two sisters at the hospital when we were born. We have his sister's name's, holy name's, My mother was friends with him before he was obtained, he was a chaplin at Mass General Hospital, my mother [redacted] State how they met, well I want to say I'm sort of sorry I had to drop

This on your lap, but
maybe God feels you'd
be the most help to me.
I sure hope so, he knows
I need it. You know some-
thing, when I go to mass on
Sundays with my son and I
watch and listen to the priest
and the women and men speaking.
God forgive me, but I think
there's something, I say that with
tears rolling down my face,
I don't believe that people
are all that good and loving
and caring, sometimes I
wish I was more apart of
the church and the family
that is associated with
St. John's, they seem like
a nice group of people, almost
too nice, excuse me for asking
but, how did they get like
that? ha! Sorry!

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Well I'll do what's right
by my son, I won't let
him lose out on what I

lost out in, but I'll
continue taken him to church
and Sunday School, and teach
him right from wrong and
good from bad. Who knows
Maybe this is all God's
Will and some thing good
will come out of all this.
Peace of mind for me.
lessen my pain emotionally.

Maybe you'll go and
confront Father Rondeau
if he's still alive. What
about his family. What do
you think of this priest?
If someone came to you
today accusing one of the
priest at St. John's what
would of you done?

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I don't know what to think
sometimes. The priest is
a child molester, I don't care
what any one says, I love
how he calls it stupidity, and
a mistake. Sorry he's a sick

man hiding behind the
pious white collar. That's
what I think. I wonder
what his comments were
to his fellow priests and
family about father Porter.

Well the cats out of
the bag and I don't
care who I upset, I
think I've lived with
this long enough.

Well I sort of look
forward to hearing from
you and setting up a
time to come in and
speak with you and/or
pastor.

Thank You
Sincerely

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