

F. J. McCormack:

Jack:

Cardinal supports your
plan completely. He
signed letter to Paul etc.

God work!

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Bishop Hughes
FROM: Father McCormack *JM*
DATE: December 11, 1990
RE: Reverend Paul Shanley

Attached to this memo is a letter I received from Paul Shanley and my response to him.

I would appreciate it if you would bring this to the attention of Cardinal Law with the following recommendation:

1. That Father Shanley be given an extension of his sick leave for one year.

The reasons for recommending this are:

- a) He still appears not to be well. [REDACTED]
- b) He is angry at the administration of the Archdiocese.
- c) He is not ready to return to the Archdiocese.
- d) If he came back, I do not know what we would do with him...

Secondly, I recommend that in January, February or March I arrange with Paul to make a visit to him to see how he is doing. What would you think if I coaxed him to seek a pastoral assignment out there when he got better?

I would also use this occasion to visit Rev. John White who is living on his own in Palm Springs, California, and suffers from depression. I have a concern about whether Father White is taking care of himself and whether he really needs the funds that he keeps seeking from the Archdiocese. At present, he is on sick leave. Thirdly, I have attached a letter which is a draft for Cardinal Law to consider sending to Father Shanley.

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Attachments

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