

MEMORANDUM

TO: Father McCormack  
FROM: Sister Catherine Mulkerrin  
DATE: January 21, 1993  
RE: Interview with [REDACTED] on January 20, 1993

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- I. Sr. Catherine Mulkerrin met with [REDACTED], an eighteen-year old senior at Boston College High School, in the presence of his teacher, Mrs. Barbara O'Brien Miller, in whom he had previously confided and who contacted CEM.

In 1987 when [REDACTED] was 13, he was waiting in the rectory at Gate of Heaven Parish with another seventh-grader, a girl, while their mothers were working on a parish bazaar. Fr. Redmond Raux, the only priest home, invited the two to his room to view a movie. As the movie progressed and became offensive ([REDACTED] said, "like something you'd see in those adult movies [combat zone].") The girl, [REDACTED] left. [REDACTED] wanted to leave, but Fr. Raux questioned his manhood. He later chased [REDACTED] around the rectory with a yellow (plastic) bat. When CEM questioned if he took this as a joke or fooling around, [REDACTED] said "I was petrified."

At different times in Church, Father Raux would grab [REDACTED]. He "disguised it, hugging me from the back" - but touching [REDACTED] in the genital area. This took place in the sacristy and in the vestibule when everyone had left Mass. [REDACTED] quit serving Mass and stopped going to Mass for a few years. He did not share the reasons why with his parents.

Father Raux would call [REDACTED] and ask him out to dinner or he would offer him a ride - all refused. At some point he told [REDACTED] there was nothing [REDACTED] could prove.

In May of 1989, [REDACTED]'s grandfather died, which felt like a way of getting this other stuff out of his mind. In June of 1989, Father Raux left Gate of Heaven. [REDACTED] felt - "I had this thing and everybody would know."

- II In July, 1990, [REDACTED] joined the Gate of Heaven CYO. In August or September, the new priest, Father Jim Wilson, told [REDACTED] he "noticed something weird about me." Father Wilson told [REDACTED] that he had made reference to Father Raux (as [REDACTED] recalls, it may have been something like, "you're not like that Father Raux."

Father Wilson asked [REDACTED] if Father Raux had been fooling around with him. This freed [REDACTED] up to tell Father Wilson. [REDACTED] was both relieved and a little nervous. Over the summer they became friends. Father Wilson encouraged [REDACTED] to depend on him and commanded [REDACTED] to trust him or else. Father Wilson: "I'll never hurt you." According to [REDACTED], he was slapped around by Father Wilson and pushed so that he fell out a doorway.

[REDACTED] then said that in Father Wilson's room they did "weird sexual-type things" so that [REDACTED] could be more at ease with himself and find a way to trust. He would touch [REDACTED] on the penis. [REDACTED] was unclothed; at times both were. [REDACTED]: "We did not do sexual acts."

█████ asked one time, "What would happen if Fr. Phinn came in?" Father Wilson's response was, "I'd go to jail."

█████ questioned "Is this okay?" He told CEM and Mrs. O'Brien Miller that he "kinda felt partly to blame," that he thought "I really hate this." When questioned about frequency, he responded - "tons of times - seemed like every weekend." █████ places this as throughout 1991 into the middle of 1992, when he was sixteen or so. █████ would sometimes call Father Wilson, or vice versa.

█████ further described a meeting with Father Wilson in his car at the Black Falcon Pier in South Boston. They went walking, "Father was talking weird." They returned to the car and while it was moving (starting up), Father Wilson pushed █████ out of the car. He later came back and told █████ to get in.

Another time, Father Wilson told █████ he was too demanding, that he wanted █████ to camp out to think about his priesthood, but that if he left, it was █████'s fault. Father Wilson also sent █████ to Arch Street - for a healing.

When asked if there was anything he wished to add, █████ described Father Wilson speaking in shrill tones - sometimes in language not understandable - "He would put his hands on me, start blowing on me, and pray on me" - "when he did this, there would not be anything sexual."

At the end of the interview CEM urged █████ to complete the telling of these incidents to his parents and to his psychologist, since he had not described any incidents of a sexual nature with Father Wilson involved. With █████'s permission, CEM could also fill in Father Phinn who had met with █████ the evening of January 19.

█████ gave permission that his name be used in a report to Father McCormack. He did this with hesitation, particularly about Father Wilson, because he was afraid about his safety. Then he thought that "there might already be a substitute for me" and more strongly indicated that his name could be used.

In addition to the above persons named who know about the incidents, █████ said that he told two friends, a boy and a girl.

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