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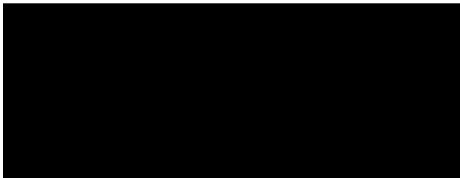
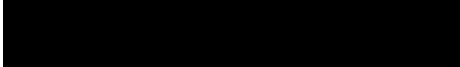
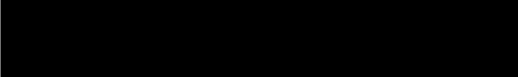


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**Professional Fitness Review Board
September 18, 1999
10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.**

AGENDA

- I. Approval of Minutes of August 21, 1999.

- II. Case Reviews:
 - A. 
 - B. 
 - C. Matter of PFR-13, Rev. John Calicott
- Supplementary Review
 - D. 

- III. Review of Individual Specific Protocols in light of Ad Hoc Monitoring Committee recommendations.

- IV. Other Matters.



**Professional Fitness Review Board
September 18, 1999**

MINUTES

Board Members Present:



Board Members Absent:



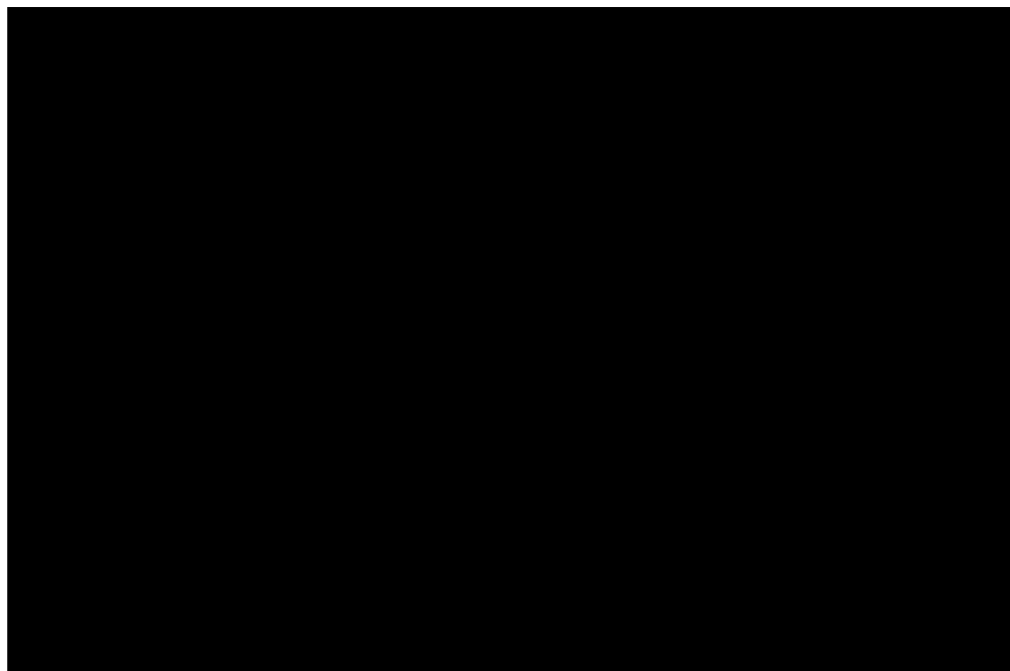
Others Present:

Rev. Tom Paprocki, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board
Kathleen Leggdas, Professional Fitness Review Administrator

I. Approval of August 21, 1999 meeting minutes

II. Case Reviews

A.



B.



C. Matter of Rev. John Calicott, PFR-13

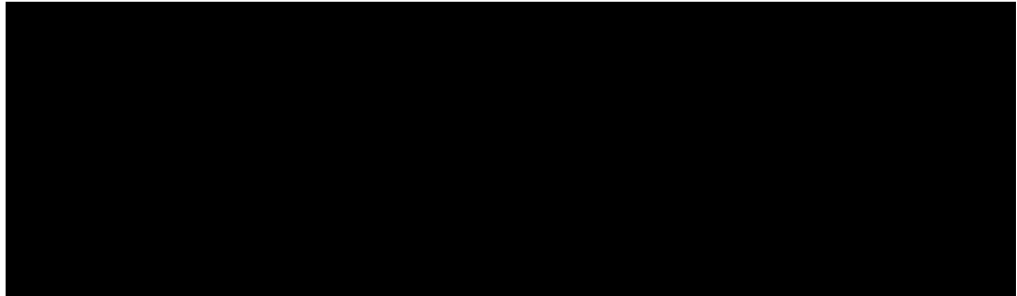
The Review Board conducted a Supplementary Review as requested by Fr. Calicott in February of this year. Final recommendations were postponed pending receipt of report by [REDACTED].

The Board considered each recommendation separately and approved the following:

- [REDACTED]

The Board recommended that Fr. Calicott continue to [REDACTED]; continue to maintain daily log; continue on-site monitor; continue notification to PFRA of overnight/extended absences from the parish.

D.



III. Review of Individual Specific Protocols deferred.

IV. Other Matters.

A.

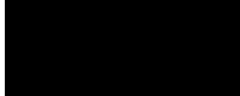
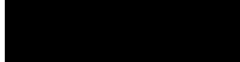
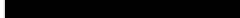


B. Cardinal George will attend the December 18, 1999 Review Board Meeting.

C.



D. Three Board Members have consented to serve an additional term, per Father Paprocki:

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Next regularly scheduled meeting is October 16, 1999.

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Memorandum

Memo to File: PFR-13
From: Kathleen Leggdas, Administrator
Re: John Calicott
Date: September 20, 1999

Summary of discussion for Professional Fitness Review Board Meeting on September 20, 1999:

The Review Board conducted a Supplementary Review as requested by Fr. Calicott in February of this year. Final recommendations were postponed pending receipt of report by [REDACTED]

The Board considered each recommendation separately and approved the following:

- [REDACTED]

The Board recommended that Fr. Calicott continue to [REDACTED]; continue to maintain daily log; continue on-site monitor; continue notification to PFRA of overnight/extended absences from the parish.

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September 21, 1999

Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I.
Archbishop of Chicago
155 E. Superior Street
Chicago, IL 60611

Dear Cardinal George,

Please be advised that the Review Board met on September 18, 1999. The Board fully considered all oral and written reports in the matter of Rev. John Calicott. The Board conducted a Supplementary Review pursuant to Article 1104.11 of the Review Process for Continuation of Ministry at the request of Father Calicott.

Subsequently, the Board recommended that [REDACTED]

The Board recommends that Father Calicott continue to [REDACTED]; continue to maintain a daily log; continue to have an on-site monitor and continue to notify PFRA of overnight/extended absences from the parish.

If you have any questions, please contact me at your convenience.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Kathleen Leggdas".

Kathleen Leggdas
Professional Fitness Review Administrator

KL/lmp

Cc: Members of the Review Board
Rev. Thomas J. Paprocki, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board
Rev. Dan Coughlin, Vicar for Priests

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10-1-99

**HOLY ANGELS
CATHOLIC CHURCH**

Reverend Father Robert Miller, Co-Pastor
Reverend Father John W. Calicott
Telephone: 773.624.5375 Fax: 773.624.8393
e-mail: holyangels@holyangels.com



September 27, 1999

Reverend Jeremiah M. Boland
Executive Secretary
Diocesan Priests' Placement Board
Post Office Box 1979
Chicago, IL 60090

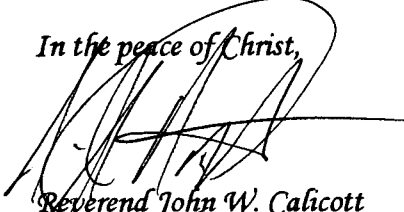
Dear Jerry,

Grace and peace in our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Please consider this a formal application for a second term as pastor here at Holy Angels' Parish. I have enjoyed my ministry here at Holy Angels and look forward to being able to continue to be of service to the good people here.

Know that you and the other members of the Placement Board are in my prayers. Thank you for the prayerful time and energies that you give in making your recommendations to the Cardinal.

With cordial best wishes, I am, Jerry,

In the peace of Christ,

Reverend John W. Calicott
Pastor

607 E. Oakwood Boulevard Chicago, Illinois 60653

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November 3, 1999

Ms. Kathleen Leggdas
Professional Fitness Review Administrator
676 N. St. Clair, Suite 1910
Chicago, IL 60611

Dear Kathleen,

I am writing in response to your letter of September 21, 1999 regarding the matter of Father John Callicott, following the Supplementary Review conducted by the Review Board on September 18, 1999.

In light of the oral and written reports presented, I have accepted the Board's recommendation that [REDACTED]

I further accept the Board's recommendation that Father Callicott continue to [REDACTED] that he have an on-site monitor, and that he continue to notify the Professional Fitness Review Administrator of any overnight or extended absences from the parish.

I am grateful to the members of the Review Board and yourself for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Handwritten signature of Francis Cardinal George in cursive.

Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I.
Archbishop of Chicago

Given at the Chancery

Handwritten signature of Thomas J. Paprocki in cursive.

Rev. Thomas J. Paprocki
Chancellor

*Evaluation finished 9/10/99
9/13 - Bl asked? 2nd term
9/27 - JC - returned yes*

cc: Most Reverend Raymond E. Goedert, Vicar General
Reverend Daniel P. Coughlin, Vicar for Priests
Mr. Ralph Bonaccorsi, Victim Assistance Minister
Mr. John C. O'Malley, Director of Legal Services

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November 10, 1999

Rev. John Calicott
Holy Angels
607 E. Oakwood Blvd.
Chicago, IL 60653

Dear Father Calicott,

On September 18, 1999, the Review Board conducted a Supplementary Review pursuant to Article 1104.11 of the Policies and Procedures in order to address your request for changes in protocol.

Cardinal George has asked me to inform you that he has accepted the recommendation made to him by the Board that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] This change reflects the progress you have made [REDACTED]

Additionally, he has accepted the Board's recommendations that you continue to [REDACTED] that you continue to have an on-site monitor, and that you continue to notify the Professional Fitness Review Administrator of any overnight or extended absences from the parish.

If you have questions, please call at your convenience. I will be calling to set up an appointment for Fr. Dan Coughlin and myself to meet with you and have you sign the revised protocol.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kathleen Leggdas".

Kathleen Leggdas
Professional Fitness Review Administrator

KL/lmp

Cc: Members of the Review Board
Rev. Thomas J. Paprocki, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board
Rev. Dan Coughlin

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**INDIVIDUAL SPECIFIC PROTOCOL
For
Father John Calicott**

The Individual Specific Protocol (ISP) reflects the primary goal of protecting minors and the integrity of the Church. Additionally, the ISP serves as a safeguard for the individual priest/deacon with regard to the possibility of subsequent allegations.

Professional Fitness Review clients will be subject to appropriate restrictions and monitoring by the Professional Fitness Review Administrator throughout the life of the individual as a priest/deacon in the Archdiocese of Chicago.

The ISP for **Fr. John Calicott** includes but is not limited to the following:

1. Restricted from being alone with minors without the presence of another responsible adult.
2. [REDACTED]
3. *oc 4* [REDACTED]
4. [REDACTED]
5. Continued daily log to be submitted to Professional Fitness Review Administrator (PFRA) monthly.
6. Required to be accompanied on vacations or extended absences by an adult companion approved by PFRA.
7. On-site monitor, Rev. Robert Miller, to complete monthly report and submit to (PFRA).
8. Meet with PFRA twice annually.
9. This is a working document which can be changed, altered or superceded when there is an indicated need to do so.
10. In order to change this protocol, prior approval must be obtained from the Professional Fitness Review Board.
11. A copy of this Protocol will be kept on file in Professional Fitness Review and Vicar for Priests Offices.

I have reviewed, understand, and agree to all requirements of this Protocol.

Signed: [Signature]

Date: 1-14-00

Printed Name: Rev. John W. Calicott

Signature of PFRA: [Signature]

Date: 1-14-00

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Memorandum

Memo to File: PFR-13

From: Kathleen Leggdas, Administrator *KL*

Re: Reverend John Calicott

Date: January 24, 2000

On Friday, January 14, 2000 Rev. John Calicott, Rev. Dan Coughlin, Vicar for Priests and PFRA met to discuss the revised protocol as approved by the Fitness Review Board. Discussion focused on the following points of the Individual Specific Protocol.

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4. Daily log to be submitted to PFRA monthly. Fr. Calicott will use his computer generated calendar instead of forms from PFR office.
5. Vacation/Travel form given to Fr. Calicott to be used for all travel. Form will list person with whom he is visiting instead of travel companion.

Cc: Review Board Members
Rev. Thomas J. Paprocki, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board
Rev. Dan Coughlin, Vicar for Priests
Rev. John Calicott

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Office of Diocesan Priests' Personnel
Rev. Jeremiah M. Boland/Executive Sec.
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Post Office Box 1979
Chicago, IL 60690
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January 24, 2000

Most Reverend Joseph Perry [Vicar]
Vicariate VI
Post Office Box 733
South Holland, IL 60473-0733

Dear Bishop Perry:

The evaluation for Father John W. Calicott, Pastor of Holy Angels Parish, has been completed. The Priests' Placement Board has received a letter from John requesting a second term. Before making a recommendation to the Cardinal, the Board needs to know if you support his request.

I look forward to receiving your response as soon as possible. I remain,

Very sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jeremiah M. Boland".

Reverend Jeremiah M. Boland
Executive Secretary
Diocesan Priests' Placement Board

JMB/ljb

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January 24, 2000

Reverend James J Martin
[Deanery VI-A]
St. Benedict the African-W
6012 S Laflin
Chicago, IL 60636

Dear Father Martin:

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Reverend Jeremiah M. Boland
Executive Secretary
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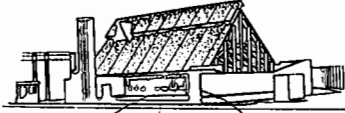
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Holy Angels Church

607 East Oakwood Blvd.
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(312) 624-5375
Fr. John W. Calicott, Pastor



31 January 2000

Your Eminence,

Just a short note to tell you what a wonderful thing it was for you to take the time from your busy schedule to call [redacted] the parish youth club director.

This personal call meant much to him and was a powerful witness to your own pastoral sense and personal love for those you shepherd. Know that you are in my prayers and may God continue to bless your ministerial endeavors in what I suspect is a very trying Archdiocese at times.

In the Year of Christ,
John Calicott

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February 1, 2000

Diocesan Priests' Placement Board
Archdiocese of Chicago
PO Box 1979
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Dear Members of the Board:

Having been part of the Evaluation Team for Fr. John Calicott I am most happy to support his request for a second term.

The Parish is progressing under his leadership, and he is much loved by the people.

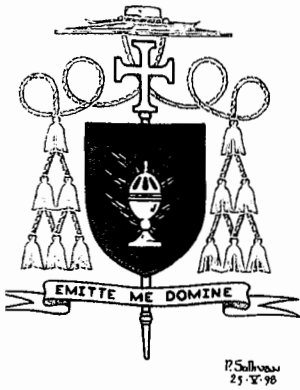
Hoping that this will be of assistance both to you and to him.

Sincerely,

Rev. James J. Martin
Dean, VI-A

2-9-2000

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February 5, 2000

The Reverend Jeremiah Boland
Executive Secretary
Diocesan Priests Personnel Board
Archdiocese of Chicago
Post Office Box 1979
Chicago, Illinois 60690

Dear Father Boland,

Pursuant to your letter of inquiry regarding Father John W. Calicott's request for a second term as pastor of Holy Angels Parish, Chicago.

I can endorse his taking a second term.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

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Most Reverend Joseph N. Perry
Vicar

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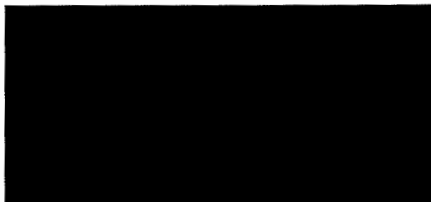
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E. Second Term Pastors:

1. John Calicott '74:

MOTION:

That John Calicott '74 be recommended for a second term as Pastor of Holy Angels Parish (effective 10/27/97???)

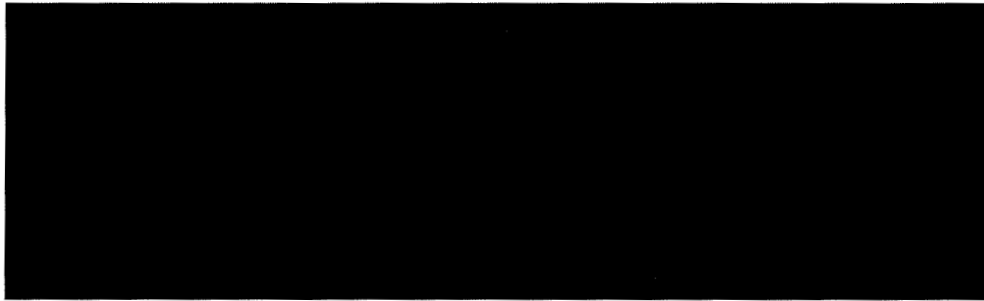
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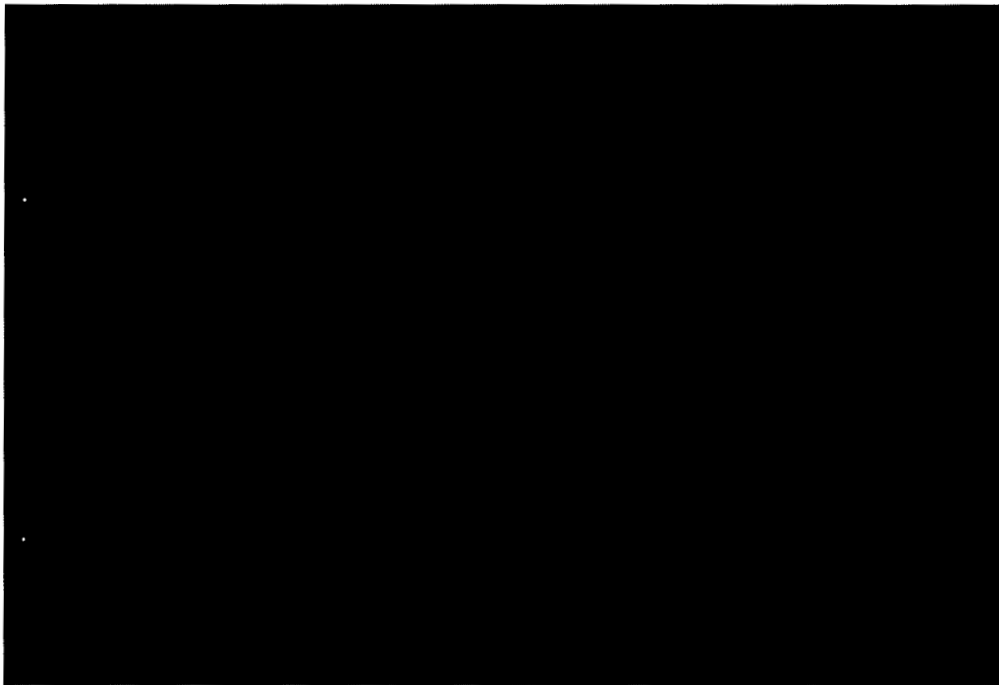


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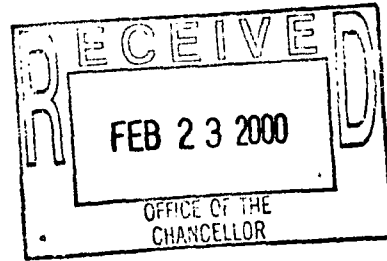
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February 17, 2000



Dear Father Calicott,

In light of the recommendation of the Diocesan Priests' Placement Board, which reflects the endorsement of your Episcopal Vicar and Dean, I am pleased to appoint you to serve a second term as Pastor of Holy Angels Parish, commencing immediately. Your term of office will be for an additional six years, but will officially remain in effect until you are reappointed or transferred or your successor is named.

The support you have received for this reappointment is an indication of the fine pastoral leadership you have rendered to the people of Holy Angels as you have proclaimed the Gospel message through your time and effort these past six years.

John, it is my hope that this will be a time of renewal for you personally as you continue to offer your priestly gifts with the people of God who have been entrusted to your care.

Fraternally yours in Christ,

Francis Cardinal George O.M.I.
Archbishop of Chicago

Ecclesiastical Notary

Reverend John W. Calicott
Holy Angels Parish
607 E Oakwood Blvd.
Chicago, IL 60653

FATHER THOMAS J. PAPROCKI

To: *F. Calicott's*

FILE

*MC file
and
regular diocesan priest's file*

Reverend John W. Calicott
February 17, 2000 - Page two

cc: Most Reverend Raymond E. Goedert, Vicar General
Reverend R. Peter Bowman, Moderator of the Curia
✓ Reverend Thomas J. Paprocki, Chancellor
Reverend Daniel P. Coughlin, Vicar for Priests
Most Reverend Joseph Perry, Vicar
Reverend James Martin, Dean
Diocesan Priests' Placement Board
Office of Ministerial Evaluation

AGENDA

Meeting: #19th - Seventeenth Board
Date: February 25, 2000
Place: Priests' Placement Board

Present: Rev.: Jeremiah M. Boland, Kurt D. Boras, Joseph P. Grembla,
David A. Jones, Daniel P. McCarthy, Michael J. Shanahan.

Absent: Rev. Martin E. O'Donovan, and Msgr. Kenneth J. Velo

I Opening Prayer: Rev.

II Acceptance of Minutes: VOTE:

III Reports:

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2.

John Calicott '74: The Cardinal appointed John to serve a second term as Pastor of Holy Angels Parish, commencing immediately. His term of office will be for an additional six years, but will officially remain in effect until he is reappointed or transferred or his successor is named.

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MINUTES

Meeting: #19th - Seventeenth Board

Date: February 25, 2000

Place: Priests' Placement Board/Pastoral Center

Present: Rev.: Jeremiah M. Boland, Kurt D. Boras (arriv.10:40),
Joseph P. Grembla (arriv. 10:25), David A. Jones,
Daniel P. McCarthy, Michael J. Shanahan.

Absent: Rev. Martin E. O'Donovan and Msgr. Kenneth J. Velo

I **Opening Prayer:** Rev. Jeremiah M. Boland **10:20 A.M.**

II **Acceptance of Minutes:** 6 – 0 – 0

III **Reports:**

1.



2. **John Calicott '74:** The Cardinal appointed John to serve a second term as Pastor of Holy Angels Parish, commencing immediately. His term of office will be for an additional six years, but will officially remain in effect until he is reappointed or transferred or his successor is named.

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Holy Angels Church / 607 E Oakwood Blvd / Chicago 60653

April 20, 2000

Kathleen Leggdas
Prof. Fitness Review Admin.
676 N. St. Clair, Suite 1910
Chicago, IL 60611

Dear Ms. Leggdas,

Greetings to you in this Holy Week. I hope this letter finds you doing well personally and professionally. I received your letter on April 13, 2000 regarding my status as on-site monitor for Fr. John Calicott, regarding the sending of monthly monitor reports.

It was my misunderstanding that, as a new Administrator of this office dealing with Fr. Calicott's unique situation, you would be contacting me regarding the new forms, familiarizing yourself with the situation here, etc. Ms. Connelly and I had several conversations about this situation, and I will be happy to continue the previous arrangement that had been in effect while she was in Administrative leadership. For your information, though, I would like to make known a few of the conditions that I am operating under in the monitoring process here.

First, I consider the process Fr. Calicott went through a real travesty of justice and insensitivity. After being here at Holy Angels nearly 5 years now, I feel the very fact that monitoring continues on at all (or even began in the first place) in this case is a sad statement of how heavy-handed and unadaptable this Archdiocesan process is. Make no mistake that I do clearly understand the role of a monitor in these situations, and personally take seriously any situations of any person acting with impropriety with minors, be it priest or lay person. Fr. Calicott is one of the most remarkably gifted, pastorally wise and prudent people I have ever met in my 23 years of priesthood. There has never been the remotest shadow, nor even hint of any shred of a shadow, of suspicion in action, word, gesture or speech either private or public. This entire process against him should be ceased and halted and resolved immediately. In the interim, I will file the required monthly forms - but only because it is part of the legal gymnastics required to allow this remarkable man to continue his ministry here.

Secondly, part of this previous agreement Ms. Connelly had agreed to was the monthly payment of \$300 for my services in rendering these reports. I will continue this monthly monitoring as long as I am reimbursed for these efforts. Now, lest that sound like crass materialism and selfishness, allow me to say that all monies I receive are turned over immediately to Holy Angels Church to further the inner-city work this deficit parish struggles with daily. One of the few motivating reasons for me to continue to justify the monitoring is that the parish can benefit financially.

I hope this clarifies my thoughts and feelings on this situation. I have included with this form my standard monthly report for the combined months of January-April. I would expect that the monthly reimbursement will arrive shortly thereafter. Then I will again resume sending monthly reports until, at some parousical future moment, this case is completely closed and resolved. My blessings and best wishes for a good Easter season in every way.

Gratefully yours,



Rev. Robert Miller, Co-Pastor

AOC 010989

TRAVEL/VACATION AGREEMENT

Permission to go on vacation to [redacted] Mississippi from/to 4.25.2000 ~ 5.2.2000

this year has been granted to John Calicott provided the following conditions will be met by him and NA

- 1. The designated companion agrees to accompany the client at all his activities. Client is not allowed to be by himself.
2. No contacts with minors are allowed unless companion is present.
3. Client is required to call in NA, to keep a daily log: proofs/tickets, receipts, etc., regarding resident's activities are to be submitted to PFR Administrator for verification.
4. If any of the above conditions are violated both the client and the travel companion(s) will be held accountable by the Archdiocese of Chicago.
5. The date of return to the residence has been set for 2 May 2000, however due to weather conditions or emergencies that may arise, the date can be changed. Approval from the PFR Administrator must be granted for any changes in this statement.

Signature(s): [Handwritten Signature]

Will be at: [redacted]

Date: 24 April 2000

A copy of this agreement will be kept on file at Professional Fitness Review Board Administrator's Office and the Vicar for Priests' Office.

received 4-26-00

Memo From
KATHLEEN LEGGDAS
PFR Administrator



Memo from
Reverend Thomas J. Paprocki

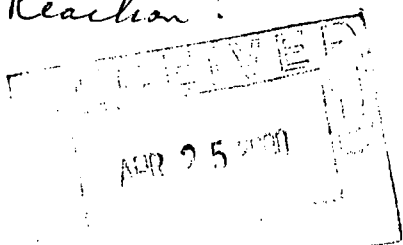
To Kathleen Leggdas Date 4/26/2000

To: Father Paprocki Date: 4-25

Message:

FYI. Thoughts?

Reaction?



Kathleen

The on-site monitor was and continues to be a *sine qua non* for Fr. Calicott's return to parish ministry. There are those (e.g., the Cardinal's Commission on Clerical Sexual Misconduct with Minors) who strongly question his presence in parish ministry at all. I don't see the monitoring requirement changing, but that is up to the Review Board's recommendation and the Cardinal's decision.

Fr. Miller's *feelings* about the matter are irrelevant unless they interfere with his ability to function objectively as a trustworthy monitor. If the price for such compliance is \$300 monthly contributed to Holy Angels Parish, I believe that it is a worthwhile investment.

If you wish to quote me in a response to Fr. Miller, please feel free to do so.

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May 3, 2000

Rev. Robert Miller
Holy Angels
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Dear Father Miller,

I received your letter dated April 20, 2000 and would like to respond to some of your concerns. It has been some time since I met you, but we did meet during the first month that I took on the responsibilities of Administrator for the Office of Professional Fitness Review. Father Dan Coughlin introduced us, and at that time, we reviewed the sign in book used by Father Calicott. I apologize for not contacting you directly when the new Monthly Monitoring Forms were implemented. I assumed that individual monitors would call me if there were questions regarding the use or format of the revised form.

Additionally, the priests who have cases referred to the Review Board remain under the Board jurisdiction for as long as they remain in ministry in the Archdiocese of Chicago. This is for the protection of the priest – to protect from potential allegations – and for the purpose of making sure that no children are at risk. This is based on the Policies and Procedures of the Review Board established by Cardinal Bernardin in 1992. I understand that this is sometimes controversial, but cannot be changed without redefining the scope of authority of the Review Board as it presently exists.

I am enclosing a check for \$300. Thank you for your completion of the monitoring form. In the future, I will need one form for each month with Father Calicott's signature on the form. We will continue to send the three hundred dollar check each month.

Thank you for your willingness to continue to serve as on-site monitor. This is an important role to ensure Father Calicott's compliance with his protocol.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kathleen Leggdas".

Kathleen Leggdas
Professional Fitness Review Administrator

KL/lnp

Enclosure

Cc: Rev. Larry McBrady, Vicar for Priests

AOC 010992

TO: File

FR: Dan Coughlin

DT: 5/28/00

RE: John Calicott

Goedert was surprised that he was renewed as pastor even though this went thru [REDACTED] – PFR Board and Mary Yunger (not sure leadership could really distance themselves for an accurate assessment.) Visit usually with Kathleen. Will he ever be able to go to another parish? Will Bob Miller ever get loose from monitoring situation?

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INDIVIDUAL SPECIFIC PROTOCOL
For
Father John Calicott

The Individual Specific Protocol (ISP) reflects the primary goal of protecting minors and the integrity of the Church. Additionally, the ISP serves as a safeguard for the individual priest/deacon with regard to the possibility of subsequent allegations.

Professional Fitness Review clients will be subject to appropriate restrictions and monitoring by the Professional Fitness Review Administrator throughout the life of the individual as a priest/deacon in the Archdiocese of Chicago.

The ISP for **Fr. John Calicott** includes but is not limited to the following:

1. Restricted from being alone with minors without the presence of another responsible adult.
2. [REDACTED]
3. [REDACTED]
4. [REDACTED]
5. Continued daily log to be submitted to Professional Fitness Review Administrator (PFRA) monthly.
6. On-site monitor, Rev. Robert Miller, to complete monthly report and submit to (PFRA).
7. Meet with PFRA twice annually.
8. Submit monthly report of sites visited on Internet to PFRA.
9. This is a working document which can be changed, altered or superceded when there is an indicated need to do so.
10. In order to change this protocol, prior approval must be obtained from the Professional Fitness Review Board.
11. A copy of this Protocol will be kept on file in Professional Fitness Review and Vicar for Priests Offices.

I have reviewed, understand, and agree to all requirements of this Protocol.

Signed: [Signature]

Date: 5 July 2000

Printed Name: John W. Calicott

Signature of PFRA: [Signature]

Date: 7 - 5 - 2000

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Memorandum

Memo to File: PFR-13 – Rev. John Calicott
From: Kathleen Leggdas, Administrator *KL*
Re: **Protocol Review**
Date: July 6, 2000

Present at Meeting

Rev. John Calicott
Rev. Larry McBrady, Vicar for Priests
Kathleen Leggdas, Professional Fitness Review Administrator, [PFRA]

Meeting was initiated by PFRA due to the fact that Father Calicott was not in compliance with two points of protocol.

- 5. Submit daily log to PFRA monthly
- Addendum. Submit monthly report of sites visited on the Internet to PFRA

Computer generated format for the Daily Log was designed by Father Calicott, meets the Log requirements and was agreed upon as a replacement for PFR Form.

An Internet site list will be added to the log.

Protocol was signed by Father Calicott with reservation concerning submission of Internet sites listing and his right to confidentiality.

Cc: Members of the Review Board
Rev. Thomas J. Paprocki, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board
Rev. Larry McBrady, Vicar for Priests

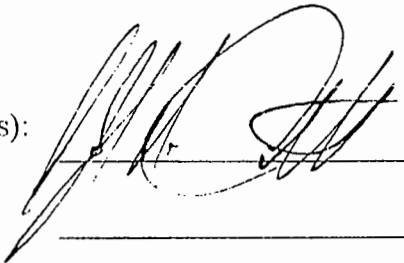
AOC 010995

TRAVEL/VACATION AGREEMENT

Permission to go on vacation to Mississippi from/to 7.28.00 - 8.1.00
(Destination) (Dates)
this year has been granted to John Callenti provided the following conditions
(Client name)
will be met by him and NA :
(Companion)

1. The designated companion agrees to accompany the client at all his activities. Client is not allowed to be by himself.
2. No contacts with minors are allowed unless companion is present.
3. Client is required to call in NA, to keep a daily log: proofs/tickets, receipts, etc., regarding resident's activities are to be submitted to PFR Administrator for verification.
(Frequency)
4. If any of the above conditions are violated both the client and the travel companion(s) will be held accountable by the Archdiocese of Chicago.
5. The date of return to the residence has been set for 8-1-00, however due to weather conditions or emergencies that may arise, the date can be changed. Approval from the PFR Administrator must be granted for any changes in this statement.

Signature(s):



Will be at my home

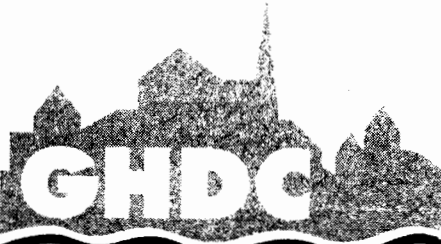


Date:

28 July 2000

A copy of this agreement will be kept on file at Professional Fitness Review Board Administrator's Office and the Vicar for Priests' Office.

RC 7-31-00



November 2000

GENESIS HOUSING DEVELOPMENT CORP.

Dear Friend.

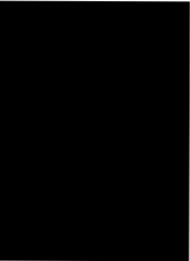
Honorary Board



Rev. George Clements
Msgr. Jack Egan

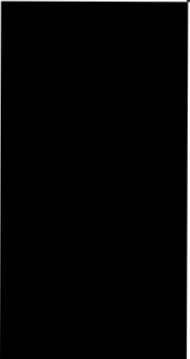


Advisory Board



Board of Directors

Executive Director
Rev. Rick Andrus
Rev. John Calicott
Rev. Donald Ehr
Rev. Kirkwood Hall
Rev. Robert Miller
Rev. Richard Mosley



Hello! I would like to personally invite you today to become a "**Friend of Genesis**" – to support financially the "**re-neighbor work**" of *Genesis* in Chicago's Bronzeville community. I would ask that you consider a generous gift of **\$100 or more** to our first annual "**Friends of Genesis**" campaign. Please use the enclosed return envelope for your contribution. Your contribution and commitment to be a "**Friend of Genesis**" will help us to continue to build affordable housing, educate potential homeowners and rebuild this blighted community.

Who are we? Begun four years ago, *Genesis* is a non-profit, faith-based organization focusing on the redevelopment of the Bronzeville community of Chicago's south-side. It is composed of **four historic African-American churches** - Holy Angels Catholic Church, St. Elizabeth Catholic Church, St. James United Methodist Church and Blackwell Memorial AME Zion Church. Our goal is the economic, commercial and residential redevelopment of this once-thriving community. Our motto is simple and appropriate - "**re-neighbor our community**".

What does Genesis do? We have two major areas of focus: **affordable housing and education**. We are now building 26 single family homes along 40th Street, which are the **most affordable** new housing anywhere in Bronzeville. Our model at 916 East 40th is open weekly, and three more houses are under construction now. *Genesis* offers a wide range of educational seminars to empower homeowners - including home ownership training, credit counseling, and one-on-one home-buying assistance. In just three years, *Genesis* has trained over 250 people.

What is our vision? *Genesis* brings together the physical and human resources needed to rebuild our community through knowledge and home ownership. We do not just build homes or teach classes – we **empower people** to become qualified and educated homeowners. By bringing together developers, land, prospective buyers, education, banks and the City - we are a catalyst for renewal and re-birth in one of Chicago's most historic but poorest communities.

In the name of all of us at *Genesis*, I thank you for whatever you can do to "be-friend" us as we work to redevelop this community. We are four historic churches united to bring about **change and renewal** in our south-side neighborhoods. Even though we have the confidence of God's Presence in our "**re-neighbor**" efforts, still the very tangible personal and financial support of "**friends of Genesis**" like you is essential. Please help us re-build our community one family at a time by building homes & educating homeowners! May God bless you and keep you always close!

Sincerely yours,

Rev. Robert Miller
Chairman, *Genesis*
Co-Pastor, *Holy Angels*

A faith-based organization offering comprehensive services to re-neighbor our community.

Corporate Offices
607 East Oakwood Blvd.

Chicago, Illinois 60653
Tele: 773.285.1685 Fax: 773.285.1695

Program Offices
1014 East 47th Street

AOC 010997

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Professional Fitness Review Board

MINUTES

November 18, 2000

Members Present at Meeting:



Members Absent:



Others Present:

Kathleen Leggdas, Administrator

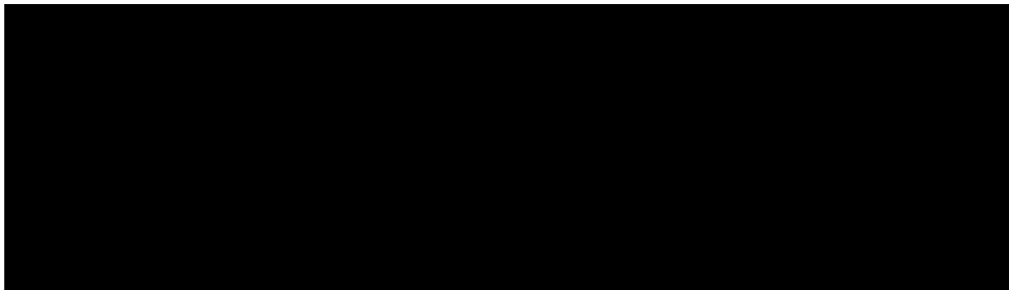
I. Approval of August 19, 2000 minutes

II. Introduction of new Board Members

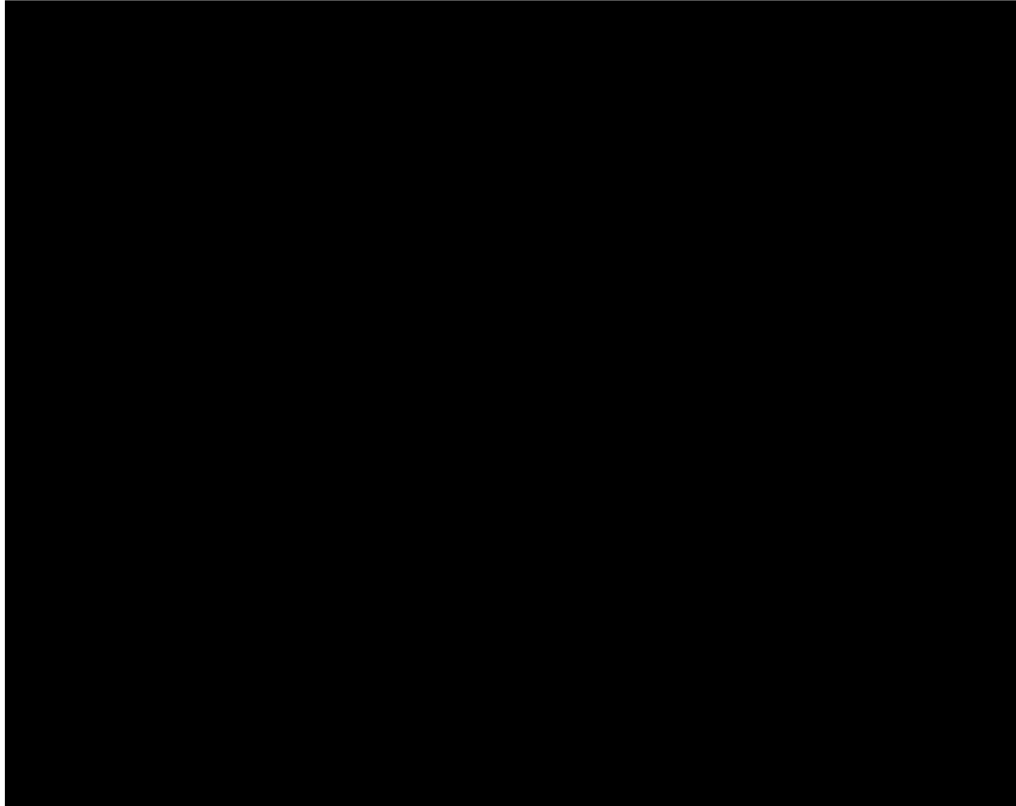


III. Case Reviews

A.



B.



C.

D. In the matter of Rev. John Calicott, PFR-13

Priest Personnel contacted PFRA regarding change in assignment for Rev. Robert Miller, currently serving as on-site monitor for Father John Calicott at Holy Angels. While the Board members feel it is unwise to interfere with Father Miller's move they expressed a common concern that Father Calicott have someone on-site to fill this role.

Further recommendation was made to engage Father Calicott in a process of reviewing his protocol with the Board since he had reservations in signing this year's agreement.

IV. Other Matters



Next regularly scheduled meeting is December 16, 2000 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

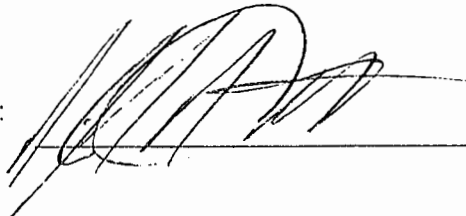
TRAVEL/VACATION AGREEMENT

Permission to go on vacation to Mississippi from/to 11.22.00 ~ 12.07.00
(Destination) (Dates)

this year has been granted to Rev. John W. Culivott provided the following conditions
(Client name)
will be met by him and _____:

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(Frequency)
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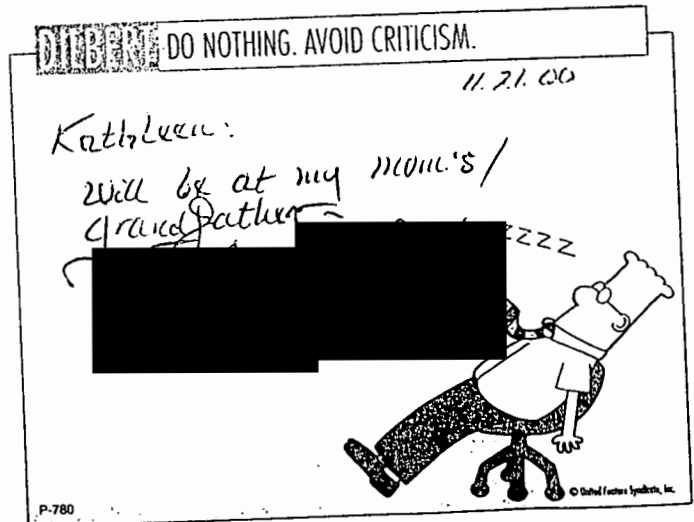
Signature(s):



Date:

11.21.00

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December 5, 2000

Rev. Jeremiah Boland
Priest's Personnel
155 E. Superior Street
Chicago, IL 60611

Dear Father Boland,

It has come to the attention of the members of the Professional Fitness Review Board that Rev. Robert Miller is in the Associate Change Process.

Rev. Miller has been the on-site monitor for Rev. John Calicott during the time he has served at Holy Angels Parish. While we wish Father Miller luck with a new assignment, the Board members want to make a statement with reference to Father Calicott.

As he is a client monitored by the Review Board, the Board strongly recommends that another priest be assigned to Holy Angels. This priest could then assume the responsibilities of the on-site monitor (see attached).

Board members believe Father Calicott, for his own protection and protection of liability for the Archdiocese, should not be alone, unmonitored.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Kathleen Leggdas".

Kathleen Leggdas
Professional Fitness Review Administrator

KL/lmp

Cc: Review Board Members
Rev. Thomas J. Paprocki, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board
Rev. Larry McBrady, Vicar for Priests

Enclosure

AOC 011001

12 - 2ND TERM

NAME: John Calicott '74
PARISH: Holy Angels
607 E Oakwood Blvd
Chicago, IL 60653

PHONE # 773/624-5375 VICARIATE: VI DEANERY: A

SECOND TERM ENDS: 10/27/⁰³~~02~~ DOB: [REDACTED] AGE 56

LETTER & FORM REQUESTING INTENSIONS OUT: 2/27/01

RESPONSE DEADLINE: 5/1/01

RESPONSE RECEIVED: _____ **

** If leaving parish, consultation scheduled for: _____

COPY SENT TO:

VICAR: Joseph Perry
DEAN: David Jones
BOARD CONTACT: _____

EVALUATION COMPLETED: _____

VICAR'S LETTER RECEIVED: _____

DEAN'S LETTER RECEIVED: _____

COMPLETED EVALUATION RECEIVED: _____

BOARD MEETING: _____

February 26, 2001

NOTATIONS:
*10/25/02
Working out
logistics
extended until
2004*

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Office of Diocesan Priests' Personnel

312-751-5270



Post Office Box 1979

Chicago, IL 60690

FAX 312-751-5281

February 27, 2001

Rev. John Calicott
Holy Angels Parish
607 E Oakwood Blvd
Chicago, IL 60653

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Dear Fr. Calicott:

Our records indicate that you are in or entering the tenth year of your pastorate. In March of 1997 the Presbyteral Council endorsed the policies of the Priests' Personnel System. One of the policies endorsed had to deal with pastors completing their second term. The policy reads "*After two terms (six years each) as a pastor in a parish, the pastor's term concludes in that specific pastorate.*"

Special consideration will be made for an exception based on:

- a) **AGE:** age may be a factor in considering a waiver of this policy, but if a person is aged 59 or younger at the time of completion of his second term as pastor, it is recommended that age alone should not be the basis for an exception to this policy. (This does not mean that a pastor is automatically extended to a third term if over 59.)*
- b) **PARISH SITUATION:** unique circumstances in the life of a parish may indicate the need for a waiver of this policy.*
- c) **FOREIGN LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY AND CULTURAL AWARENESS:** these may be determining factors.*
- d) **ETHNIC, RACIAL OR CULTURAL CONSIDERATIONS:** these may suggest a waiver of the two term policy.*
- e) **SPECIAL PROJECTS:** some project within the parish that might necessitate an extension.*
- f) **HEALTH:** Particularly health problems would be a factor in considering a waiver of this policy."*

The Office of Ministerial Evaluation will be contacting you if they haven't already done so, to conduct an evaluation. The purpose of this evaluation is not to determine whether you should stay or go.

The purpose is to assist you in better appreciating your gifts and talents as a pastor. The feedback from the evaluation process will be very beneficial in helping you to get a sense of what kind of placement in the future will build on your strengths.

- over -

AOC 011003

I write you now on behalf of the Board to advise you of the following practical considerations.

- 1) If you will celebrate your 65th birthday by the end of your 12th year as pastor, you may ask that your pastorate be extended.
- 2) If for some personal reason you feel an extension of your pastorate is needed, you may ask for an extension.
- 3) If there is, in your estimation, a need at your parish that warrants an extension of your pastorate you may seek the extension.

(In each of the preceding instances, consultation and evaluation will take place as previously mentioned.)

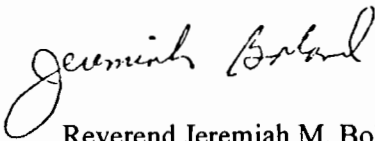
If you are not planning to seek an extension or one is not granted, there are various options to consider:

- A) A new pastorate which you would begin actively seeking now
- B) A new pastorate which you would seek when your term is completed. This could mean extending your pastorate in your current term for one or two years.
- C) Being assigned as an Associate Pastor either temporarily or for a term of office depending on your wishes.
- D) Seeking a three to six month sabbatical and being reassigned before, during or in the one month after your sabbatical, dependent on your wishes.

I have enclosed a form for you to complete. If you return it by **May 1, 2001**, the Board will be better able to assist you in the future.

Thank you for your time, I hope all is well with you in your parish. I offer you the prayers of the entire Board at this time of decision in your life. We are grateful for all you have done in your ministry as pastor.

Sincerely yours,



Reverend Jeremiah M. Boland
Executive Secretary
Diocesan Priests' Placement Board

Enc:

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TRAVEL/VACATION AGREEMENT

Permission to go on vacation to [Redacted] Mississippi from/to 4.18.01 - 4.25.01
(Destination) (Dates)
this year has been granted to John Calicott provided the following conditions
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Signature(s): [Handwritten Signature] [Redacted]
[Redacted]

*Kathleen,
Will be at my mom's*

Date: 18 April 2001

*I hope the
Easter season
brought blessings
to you and yours.*

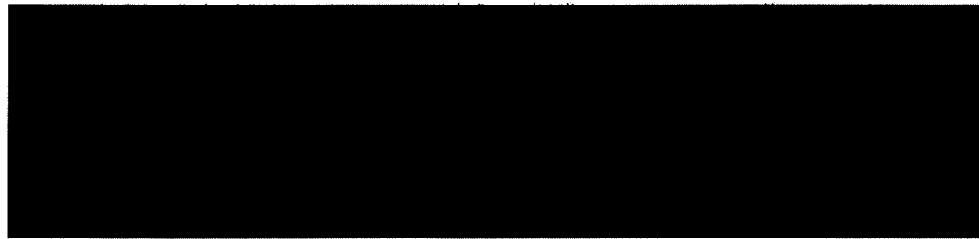
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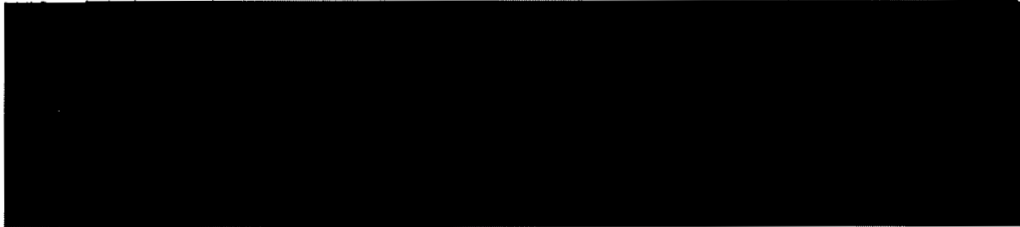
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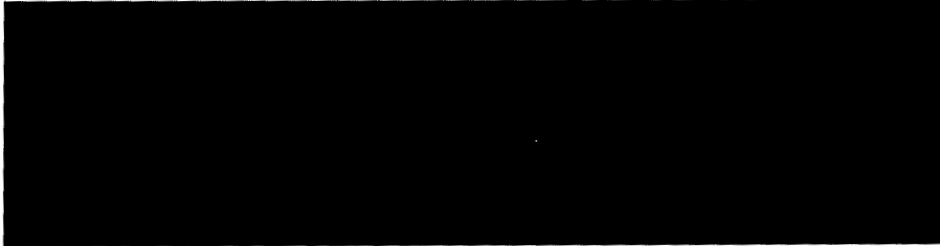
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Per Chancellor's
Office:

John Calcott's
term is
continued after
his leave -
his 6 years include
his leave.
(end date: 10/27/97)

Ferry:

7/27/01

Question - exactly when
does John's 2nd term
end (Mary is asking
so she can work out
evaluation schedule).

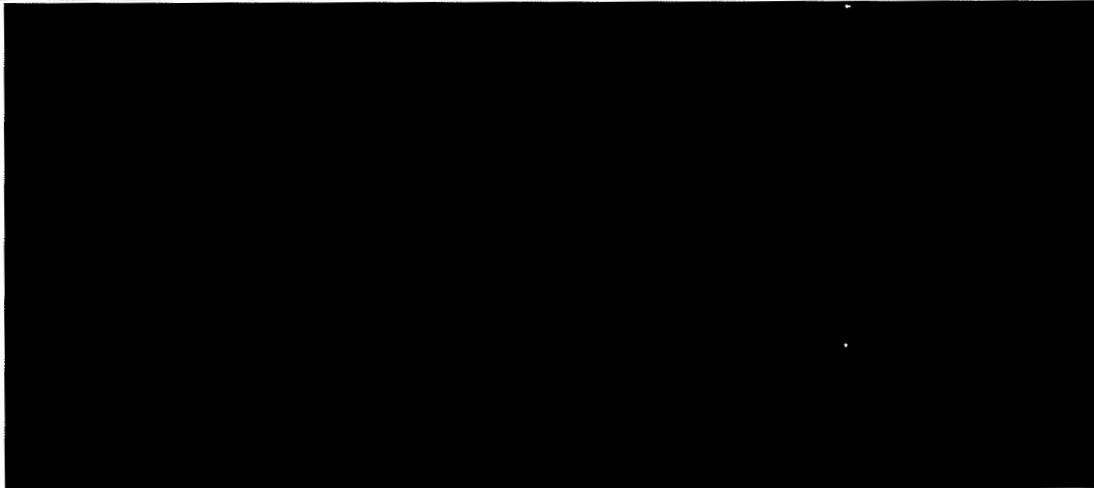
His 1st term eval.
wasn't started until
his 3rd year and
his second term letter
says term effective imm.
so that takes it to
2006 - Is this correct?

O.S.

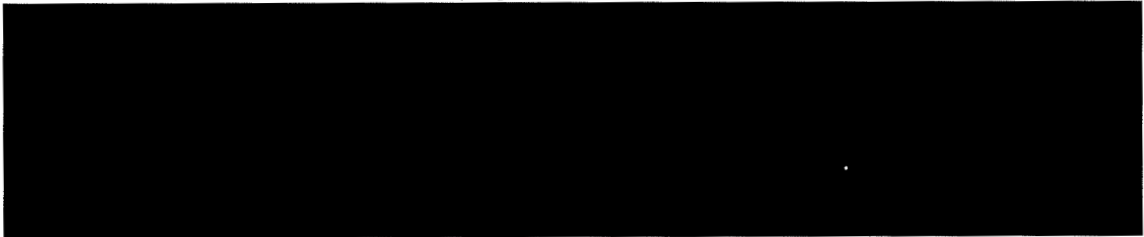
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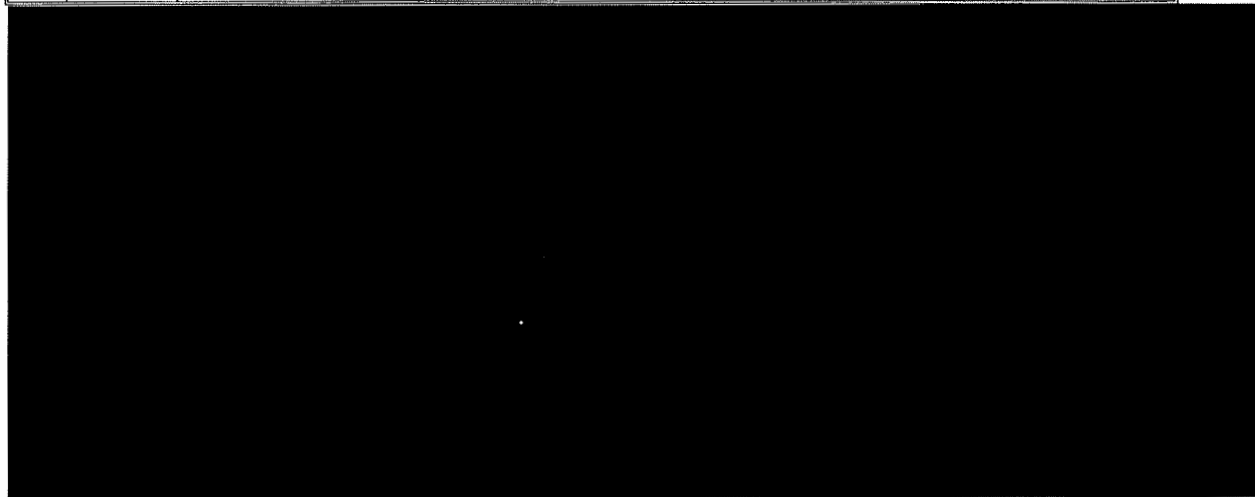


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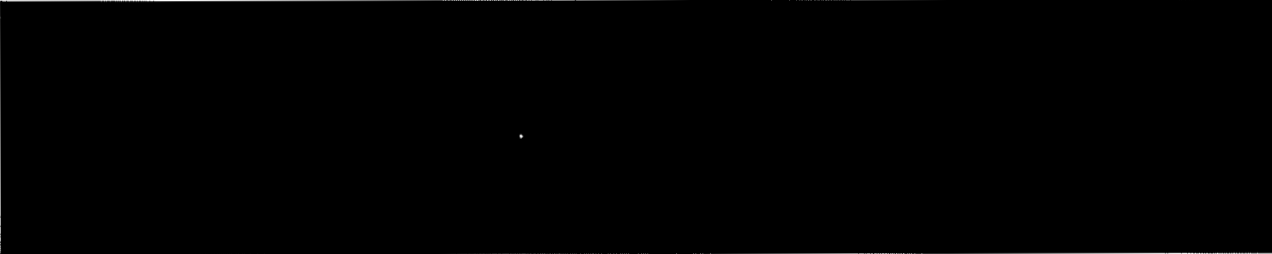


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News Gram



PUBLISHED TODAY ESPECIALLY FOR YOU

9.24.01

Kathleen,

This confuses me. Why do I need to sign this. Bob is being paid to spy on me. I'm not being paid to spy on him. I do not know how I can speak to what he does or does not see.

John Calicote

AOC 011013

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Permission to go on vacation to Ghana, Africa from/to 3.10.01 ~ 3.18.01
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Signature(s): [Signature] Kathleen Leysan

Date: 9 March 2001

Received
3-18-01

[Signature]

A copy of this agreement will be kept on file at Professional Fitness Review Board Administrator's Office and the Vicar for Priests' Office.

FLIGHT ITINERARY AND HOTEL INFORMATION

DEPART O'HARE MAR 10, ON AMERICAN AIRLINE FLIGHT 394 AT 7:00AM
(everyone must be at airport by 5:30 AM)
ARRIVE NEW YORK LGA AIRPORT AT 10:05AM we will have bus transfer to JFK
airport)

WE WILL DEPART JFK FOR ACCRA ON AIR AFRIQUE FLIGHT 560 AT 1:00PM
CHANGE PLANES IN DAKAR ARRIVE IN ACCRA AT 6:00AM MARCH 11TH

MARCH 11 - 12 ACCRA
LA PALM ROYAL BEACH HOTEL
PHONE (233) 21-771700 OR 7010353/6
FAX (233) 21-771717

MARCH 13 - 14 KUMASI
GEORGIA HOTEL
PHONE (233) 51-24154 OR 22434 OR 23915
FAX (233) 51-24299

MARCH 15 - 16 ELMINA
ELMINA BEACH RESORT
PHONE (233) 42-34354 OR 33742 OR 33105
FAX (233) 42-33714 OR 34359

MARCH 17TH ACCRA
LA PALM ROYAL BEACH HOTEL
PHONE (233) 21- 771700 OR 7010353 /6
FAX (233) 51-24299

WE WILL DEPART ACCRA ON AIR AFRIQUE FLIGHT 570 AT 7:00AM
(change planes in Abdijan) ARRIVING AT JFK AT 5:25PM

We will clear customs and immediately depart by bus for LGA airport where we will
DEPART LGA ON AMERICAN FLIGHT 361 AT 9:00 PM ARRIVING CHI 10:33PM

WELCOME HOME .

5. TERMS

TERM ENDS IN 2000

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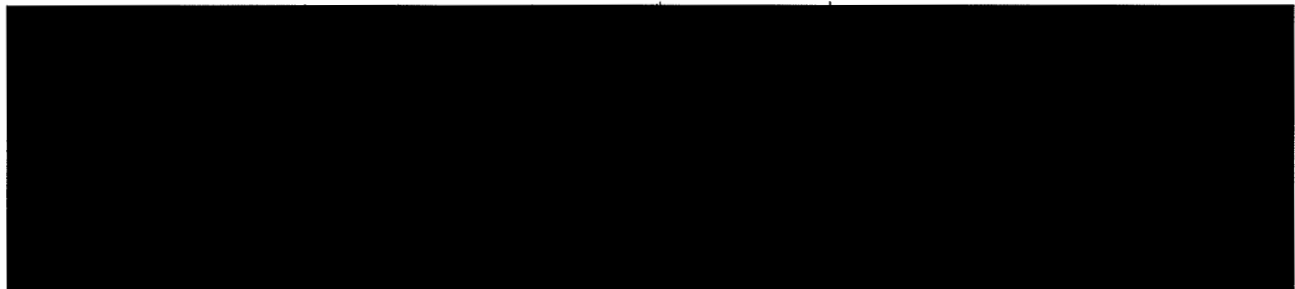
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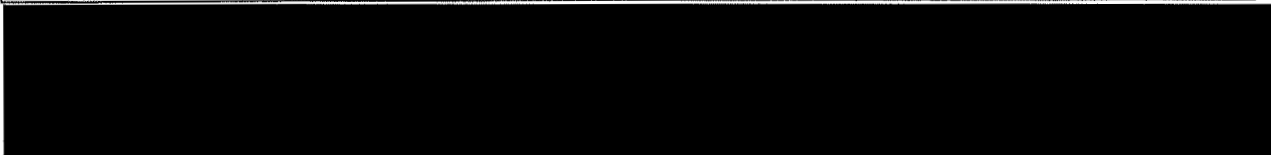
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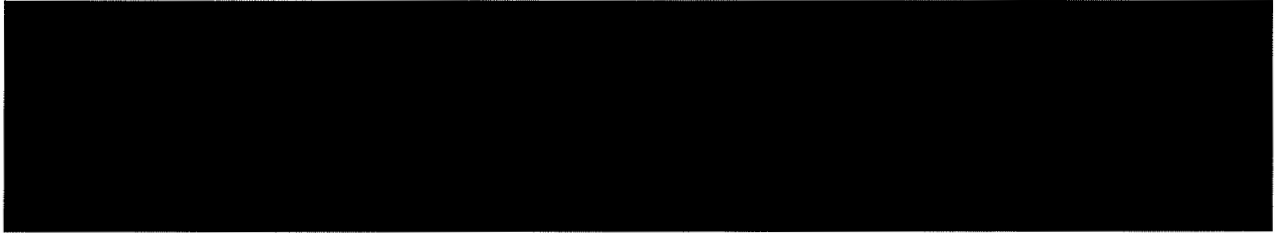
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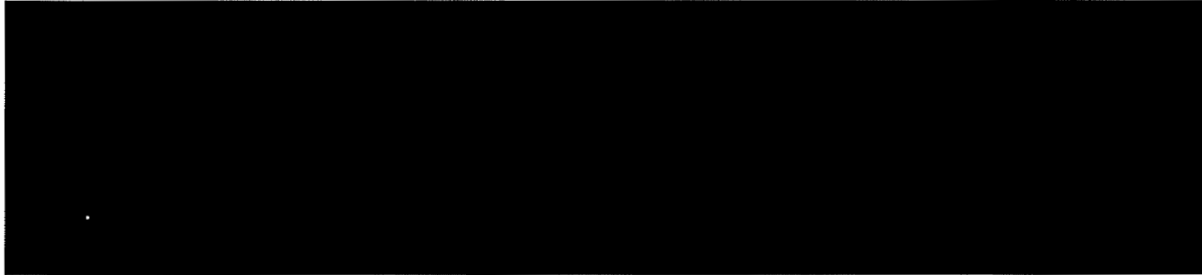
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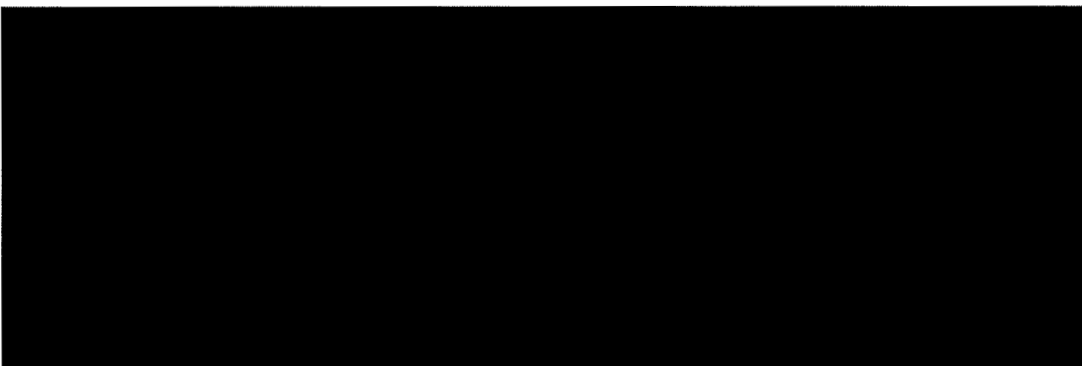


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October 3, 2001

Rev. John Calicott
Holy Angels Parish
607 E. Oakwood Boulevard
Chicago, IL 60653

Dear Father Calicott,

Your signature is required on the Monthly Monitoring Report completed by Father Miller so that our office knows you have seen what has been written about you.

I am returning the form for your signature. Thank you for your attention to this detail. I am not at liberty to change the forms without approval from the Review Board.

You can recommend changes to the forms by writing directly to the chairperson, [REDACTED] at my address.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kathleen Leggdas".

Kathleen Leggdas
Professional Fitness Review Administrator

KL/lmp

Cc: Rev. Larry McBrady, Vicar for Priests

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October 16, 2001

Rev. John Calicott
Holy Angels
607 E. Oakwood
Chicago, Illinois 60653

Dear Father Calicott,

October marks a period of one year since you signed your Individual Protocol for the Office of Professional Fitness Review. As these need to be reviewed and revised annually, please call at your earliest convenience so that a meeting date and time can be designated. The Vicar for Priests will again be in attendance.

There are standard protocol items for all priests monitored by this office. These include the following:

- Restriction from being alone with minors without the presence of another responsible adult
- Meet with Professional Fitness Review Administrator twice annually (PFRA)
- Submit copy of all sites visited on the Internet to PFRA monthly

And recently added to all protocols by the Review Board:

- [REDACTED]

The Review Board determines other protocol items based on the individual priest and the nature of the allegations brought against him.

I can be reached by telephone at 312-751-5205.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kathleen Leggdas".

Kathleen Leggdas
Professional Fitness Review Administrator

KL/lmp

Cc: Rev. Larry McBrady, Vicar for Priests
Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests

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HOLY ANGELS CATHOLIC CHURCH

Reverend Father Anselm Lavvani, Associate Pastor

Reverend Father Robert Miller, Co-Pastor

Reverend Father John W. Calicott, Pastor

Phone: 773.624.5375 Fax: 773.624.8993

E-mail: holyangels@holyangels.com



October 23, 2001

██████████
Office of Professional Fitness Review
676 N. St. Clair, Suite 1910
Chicago, Illinois 60611

██████████:
Peace.

I am writing you, ██████████, by way of a request for a change in the Monthly Monitoring Report for myself. The Report currently requires my signature as well as my monitor's, Fr. Bob Miller, signature. On a number of different levels I do not understand why my signature is required.

On one level, it occurs to me that it is Fr. Miller who is being paid to watch me. I am not being paid to watch Fr. Miller watch me. I am certain that Fr. Miller is a deeply spiritual, professional and pastoral priest who is more than able to provide the Professional Fitness Review Board the information that it is seeking without my having to sign off on his efforts.

Ms. Kathleen Leggdas has informed me that I must sign the Report so that her office knows I have seen what has been written about me. I am certain that her office has a considerable amount of written reports, documents, letters, etc., which I have never seen and to be perfectly honest have no interest in seeing. With the exception of my God, I really have very little interest in what others may say, think or write about me. My sense is that a significant amount of my life's ministerial endeavors would have been greatly hampered had it been else. I will not read the report, for I will not have the interest. Any signature therefore will be purely perfunctory.

Finally, legal counsel has advised me that my signature on the Report could be construed to suggest that I agree with what is in the report (and this whether I do or do not) and that I agree with the need for the monitoring (which I definitely do not).

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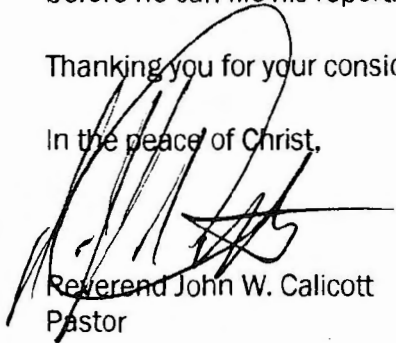
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Cronin, p.2, 10.24.01

As it is Fr. Miller who is doing the monitoring, I should think that his signature should be quite sufficient without the added onus of his having to track me down for my signature before he can file his report.

Thanking you for your considerations and with cordial best wishes, I am, [REDACTED],

In the peace of Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'John W. Calicott', written over a horizontal line. The signature is cursive and somewhat stylized.

Reverend John W. Calicott
Pastor

Phone Conversation – PFR-13

Date: 11/13/01

Time: 11:20 a.m.

From: Father Calicott – 773-624-5375

- November 27th 10:00 or November 30th 10:00 a.m.
- Wednesday and Thursdays – teaching not good

Phone conversation – PFR-13

Date: 6/27/00 Time: 8:57 a.m.

- Will call you after lunch.

Time: AM

- Regarding schedule per protocol required monthly as well as internet sites visited
- Send copy – Cardinal will have to decide

Time: AM

To: Fr. Bob Miller/Holy Angels – Calicott Monitor

- Regarding 1 report needed each month
- Need to call again

Date: 7/5/00 Time: 9:00 a.m.

To: Fr. Larry McBrady/Vicar for Priests

- 1:00 p.m. meeting with John Callicott

Date: 7/7/00 Time: 9:00 a.m.

To: Fr. Miller

- Asked for monthly monitor reports
- Good conversation
- Discussed protocols, etc.

Date: 9/13/00 Time: 11:15 a.m.

To: [REDACTED]

- [REDACTED]

Date: 10/18/00 Time: 1:31

From: Fr. Bob Miller

- Per your request for monitor reports – does not have any forms to send you

Phone conversation – PFR-13

Date: 7/19/99 Time: 2:52 p.m.

To: [REDACTED]

- Called to get written report for Review Board to back-up protocol change requests. Message left.

Date: 7/21/99 Time: A.M.

From: [REDACTED]

- Returned call regarding report to the Board.

Date: 10/5/99 Time: 10:10 a.m.

To: Fr. Paprocki

- Status of letters to Cardinal – TJP out of town for the week.

Date: 11/24/99 Time: 10:30 a.m.

To: Fr. Dan Coughlin/Vicar for Priests

- Re: to meet with J. Calicott

Date: 1/3/00 Time: PM

From: Fr. Dan Coughlin

- Calicott meeting in VP office

Date: 1/10/00 Time: AM

- Set meeting date for signing protocol.
- Dentist in news.

Date: 1/10/00 Time: AM

To: Fr. Dan Coughlin/VP

- 1) Date for JC meeting January 13th a.m. or January 14 early pm.
- 2) Timetable

Date: 2/1/00 Time: PM

From: [REDACTED]

- [REDACTED]
- February Board Meeting

Date: 5/30/00 Time: 10:15 a.m.

From: Fr. Larry McBrady/Vicar for Priests

- J. Calicott not sending in monthly schedule

Date: 6/13/00 Time: AM

- Regarding Monthly Schedule and Internet sites
- Out of town until 6/14/00

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INDIVIDUAL SPECIFIC PROTOCOL
For
Father John Calicott

The Individual Specific Protocol (ISP) reflects the primary goal of protecting minors and the integrity of the Church. Additionally, the ISP serves as a safeguard for the individual priest/deacon with regard to the possibility of subsequent allegations.

Professional Fitness Review clients will be subject to appropriate restrictions and monitoring by the Professional Fitness Review Administrator (PFRA) throughout the life of the individual as a priest/deacon in the Archdiocese of Chicago.

The ISP for **Fr. John Calicott** includes but is not limited to the following:

1. Restricted from being alone with minors without the presence of another responsible adult.
2. [REDACTED]
3. [REDACTED]
4. Continued daily log to be submitted to Professional Fitness Review Administrator (PFRA) monthly.
5. On-site monitor, Rev. Robert Miller, to complete monthly reports and submit to (PFRA).
6. Meet with PFRA twice annually.
7. Submit monthly report of sites visited on Internet to PFRA.
8. This is a working document which can be changed, altered or superceded when there is an indicated need to do so. In order to change this protocol, prior approval must be obtained from the Professional Fitness Review Board.

I have reviewed, understand, and agree to all requirements of this Protocol.

Signed: [Signature]

Date: 11.20.01

Printed Name: John W. Calicott

Signature of PFRA: [Signature]

Date: 11-20-01

A copy of this Protocol will be kept on file in Professional Fitness Review and Vicar for Priests Offices.

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Memorandum

To: File – PFR-13

From: Kathleen Leggdas, Professional Fitness Review Administrator [PFRA]

Handwritten signature of Kathleen Leggdas in black ink.

Re: Protocol Review

Date: November 26, 2001

Father John Calicott, Father James Kaczorowski, and PFRA met to review and renew Individual Specific Protocol for 2002.

Points of discussion include the following:

- Monitor form signature. (See letter attached) Matter to be presented to the Review Board for consideration.
- [REDACTED] Review Board to make recommendation after report has been completed and discussed.
- [REDACTED]
- Timeliness of receipt of monthly log. Father agreed to send these in quarterly.
- Father Calicott does not have a personal computer. Parish employees use the same one he does. A detail of sites visited would not be an accurate representation of Father Calicott's Internet activities.

Cc: Review Board Members
Rev. Thomas J. Paprocki, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board
Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests

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OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL FITNESS REVIEW
CLIENT INFORMATION SHEET

(Revised 11/27/01)
Client Info/LNP

FILE #: PFR-13

REVIEW STATUS: (DATE)

Opened Date: 3/31/94

1st Stage: _____

Closed Date: _____

2nd Stage: _____

Supplementary: _____

1. Name: John W. Calicott

Date Ordained: 5/8/74

Birth Date: ██████████

Current S/S #: ██████████

2. Current Residence: Holy Angels

Address: 607 E. Oakwood, Date: _____
Chicago, IL 60653

Telephone: Home: 773-624-5375

Office: _____ Pager: ██████████

Cell Phone: ██████████

3. Ministry: Pastor

Status (Check one) Date: _____

Active: ✓

Deceased: _____

Resigned: _____

Withdrawn: _____

Other: _____

4. Allegation(s):

Date: 3/31/94 Date of the Offense(s): 1974 - 1975

Sex/Age
M/11-12

Credibility:

Yes No
✓

4/5/94 UK

M/14

✓

5. General Nature of Allegation(s):
Mutual oral sex with a minor.

6. Protocol: _____

Original Date: _____

Review Dates:
11/20/01

Review Dates:

7. **Assessment(s):**

<u>Source:</u>	<u>Date:</u>	<u>Report on File: (?)</u>	<u>Date Received:</u>
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

8. 

9. **Education:**
B.S., M. Div., STL

10. **Ministerial Assignments:**
St. Ailbe 1974 - 1980
Holy Name of Mary 1980 - 1991
Holy Angels 1991 - Present

11. **Family Composition:**
Parents: _____
Siblings: _____

12. **Monitors:** **Address:** **Phone:**
Rev. Robert Miller 607 E. Oakwood, Chicago, IL 60653 773-624-5375

13. **Emergency Contacts:**

<u>1st</u>	<u>Relationship:</u>	<u>Home #:</u>	<u>Work #:</u>
_____	Brother	_____	_____
<u>2nd</u>	<u>Relationship:</u>	<u>Home #:</u>	<u>Work #:</u>
_____	Sister	_____	_____

14. **Other Concerns:**

N. Vicar for Priests Agenda: 12/21 11:00

I Priests:

- a) [REDACTED]
- b) [REDACTED]
- c) John Calicott '74
- d) [REDACTED]
- e) [REDACTED]

II [REDACTED]

III [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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Memorandum

To: File

From: Rev. Thomas J. Paprocki, Archbishop's Delegate *TOP*
to the Professional Fitness Review Board

Re: Rev. John Calicott
Review Board Meeting -- Supplementary Review

Date: December 15, 2001

Father Calicott agreed to sign form but with qualification that it doesn't denote agreement.

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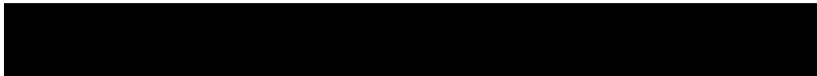
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Professional Fitness Review Board

Saturday, December 15, 2001
10:00 – 12:00

MINUTES

Review Board Members Present:



Absent:



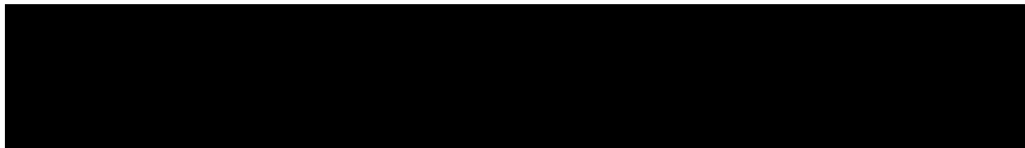
Non-members present:

Rev. Thomas J. Paprocki, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board
Kathleen Leggdas, Professional Fitness Review Administrator

I. Approval of Minutes from October 20, 2001 Meeting

II. Case Reviews

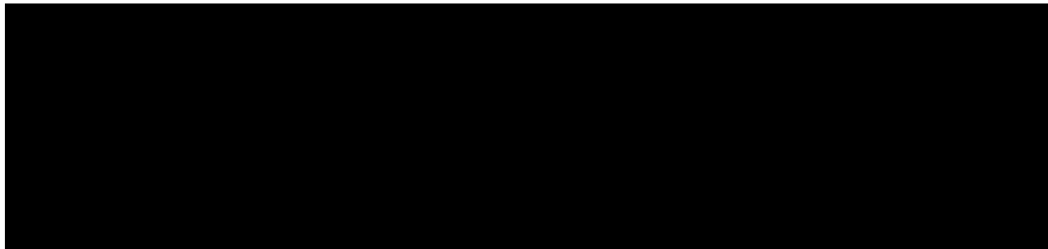
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B. In the Matter of Rev. John Calicott, PFR-13

Father Calicott approved to sign form with qualifier i.e., "This does not denote agreement with the content of the form."

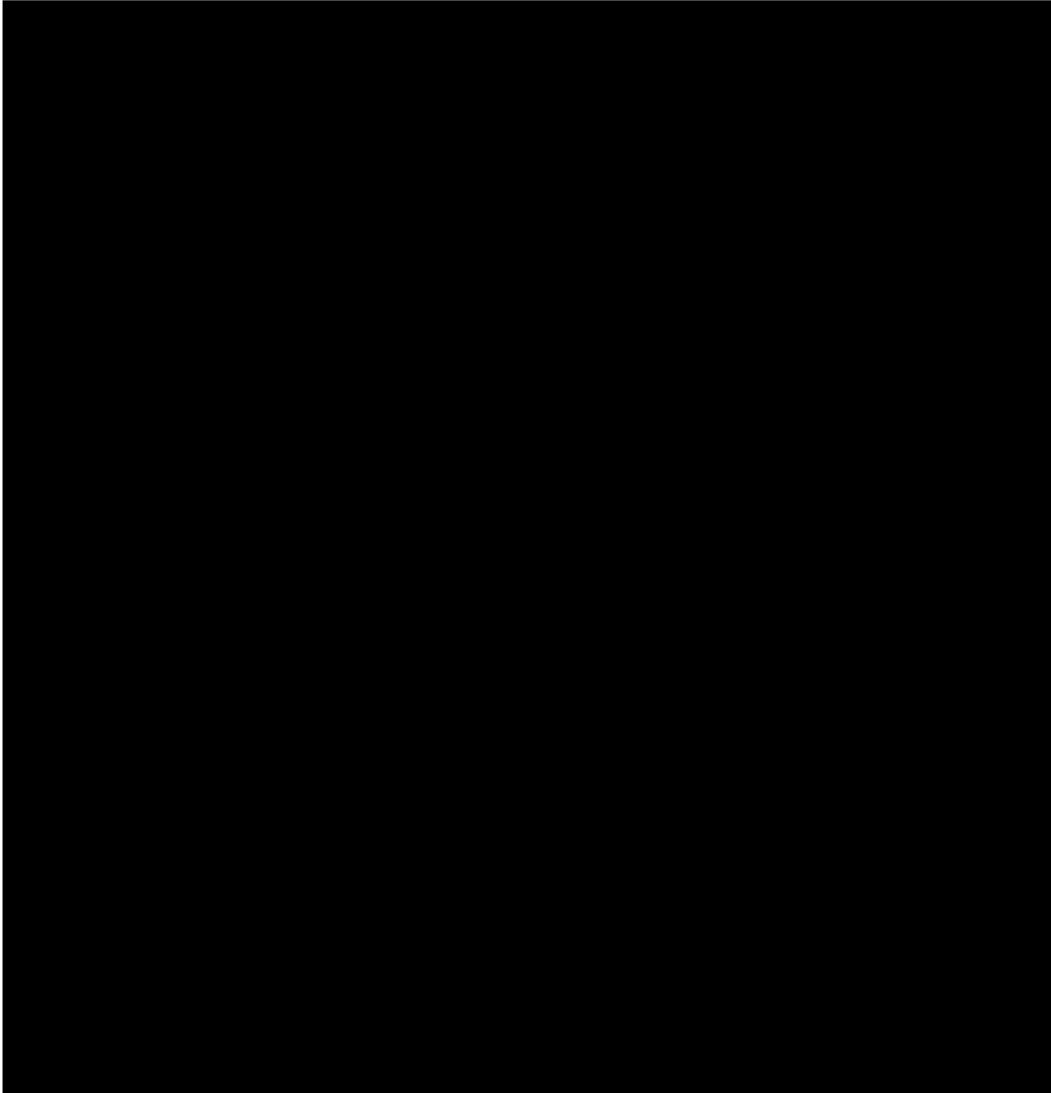
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Next regularly scheduled meeting is January 19, 2002 at 10:00 a.m.

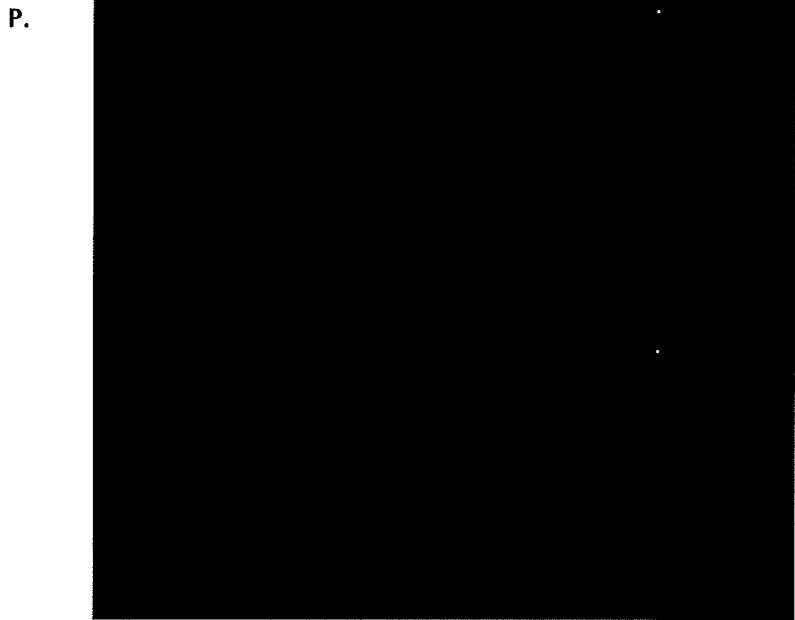
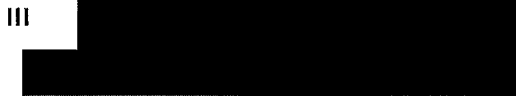
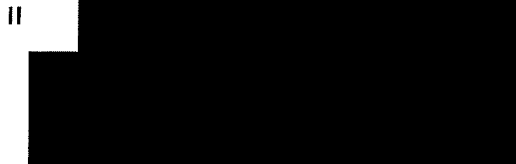
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O. Vicar for Priests Agenda: 12/21 11:00

I Priests:

- a) 
- b) 
- c) John Calicott '74
- d) 
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O. Vicar for Priests Agenda: 12/21 11:00

I Priests:

a)

b)

c) John Calicott '74: John still needs supervision. If Robert Miller '76 [Associate at Holy Angels] moves out of the parish, we will need to find someone to be with John. Question: Is he to be pastor for life and what about the parish?

d)

e)

We wear this button in support of Father John Calicott, and an innocent priest caught up once again in the injustice of the Archdiocese of Chicago. Adding support now is the “Dallas Document” created by the American Bishops..

We wear this ribbon in support of our priests throughout the Archdiocese of Chicago, and the United States of America.

Say No! “Zero Tolerance and Dallas Document”

WHAT DO YOU WANT TO WRITE ?
WHO DO YOU WANT TO WRITE TO ?

THINK !

1. MY FEELINGS ABOUT FR. JOHN.
2. AN INCIDENT WHERE FR. JOHN HELPED YOU OR YOUR FAMILY.
3. WHY YOU THINK FR. JOHN SHOULD STAY AT HOLY ANGELS.
4. ZERO TOLERANCE
5. YOUR RELATIONSHIP WITH FATHER

I am a member and have been a member of Holy Angels Church for 36 years. My daughter is now presently enrolled in this school. My mother, aunts and Uncles also attended this school. My grandmother was a member of the Blessed Sacraments Society. We have had many pastors come and go over the years but, Father John will also stand out in my mind and heart. I was teaching here at Holy Angels and Sister Helen and myself got into a discrepancy and I left work to take my daughter home. I was accused of abandoning my job and was not allowed back to teach. I went to Father John with the issue and he was very concerned about my plight. I informed him that because of the incident I couldn't pay my bills. He wrote me a check and told me to pay it when I got on my feet.

I will never Forget the compassion, or Kindness he showed me that day. I will Forever be grateful to him. IF you have a Forgiving and loving heart I know that you will do everything you can to help him in his time of need. We here at Holy Angels are praying for his return. In all of your getting get Understanding please!

Sincerely



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Bishop Chancery Office
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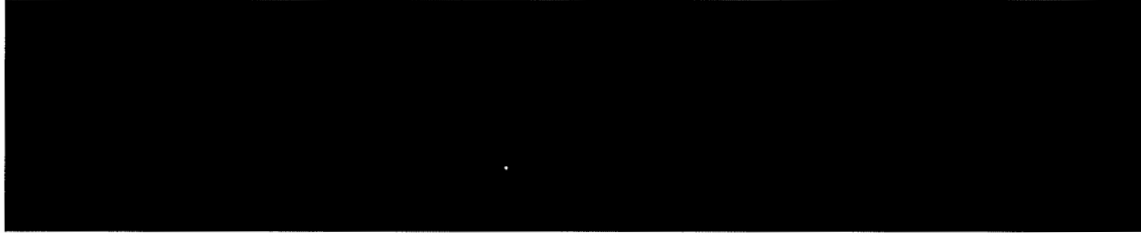
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January 15, 2002

Rev. John Calicott
Holy Angels
607 E. Oakwood Blvd.
Chicago, IL 60653

Dear Father Calicott,

On behalf of the Review Board I am responding to the letter you directed to [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] has left the Board after nine years, and has been replaced as chairperson by [REDACTED].

At the December 15, 2001 meeting, the Review Board considered all of the information concerning your reasons, including legal advice, to not sign the Monthly Monitor Report. Given the circumstances and the fact that a signature is required by the Board, they agreed that you continue to sign the form as you had in September 2001 i.e. your signature accompanied by a statement that says "signature not meant to denote agreement with form content or the need for monitoring." (See attached)

This would fulfill your and our requirement without making substantial changes in the form itself.

Additionally, [REDACTED] Your protocol specifies the requirement of an on-site monitor. With that as a given, I would like to discuss options with you.

Please call so we can set up a meeting date and time. I would be happy to take you to lunch to discuss this matter or to come to Holy Angels.

I have already requested [REDACTED] After that is received, the Board will give consideration to reducing the frequency of [REDACTED]

Thanks in advance for your cooperation and Happy New Year!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kathleen Leggdas".

Kathleen Leggdas
Professional Fitness Review Administrator

Cc: Review Board Members
Rev. Thomas J. Paprocki, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board
Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests

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Professional Fitness Review

Monthly Monitoring Report

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Client Name: Culicott Monitor: Roller

Month/Year of Report: January 2002

Thank you for agreeing to serve as a monitor in your parish, work or residential setting. The Archdiocese of Chicago greatly appreciates your generous offer of time and your willingness to assume this responsibility.

Please complete this form monthly and mail or fax to the attention of Kathleen Leggdas by the 10th of each month.

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Archdiocese of Chicago
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Fax: 312-751-5279

During the course of the month, you may contact the PFRA by telephone should any situation arise regarding status of client in monitor program at 312-751-5205 or the toll-free number 1-800-994-6200. Messages are received 24-hours a day and are confidential.

1. In the past month, were you aware of any situations in which the priest you are monitoring was in the presence of a minor or minors without another responsible adult present? YES NO

If yes, describe the situation and priest's action(s):

2. Did you have access or were you informed of the priest's schedule? YES NO

If no, explain _____

3. If the priest was going out of town for more than an overnight trip, pre-approved by the Professional Fitness Review Administrator, did he leave you a basic itinerary of his whereabouts during the trip and a copy of the Vacation Form?

YES

NO

4. To your knowledge has the priest complied overall with his monitoring restrictions/expectations during the past month?

YES

NO

If no, explain: _____

Other comments: _____

Happy New Year!

Signature of Priest: _____

Rev Robert Powell

Date: _____

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Signature of Monitor: _____

Date: _____

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January 25, 2002

Rev. John W. Calicott
Holy Angels Parish
607 E. Oakwood
Chicago, IL 60653

Dear Father Calicott,

This form requires your signature and your disclaimer as explained in my last letter to you.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

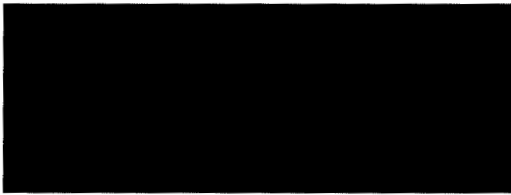
Sincerely,

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Kathleen Leggdas
Professional Fitness Review Administrator

Cc: Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests

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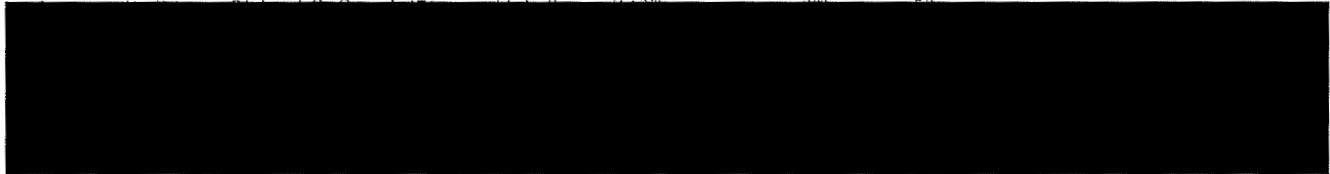
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m) Holy Angels: Marty O'Donovan will check with Professional Standards about what needs to be done or can be done with John Calicott '74 [Pastor].

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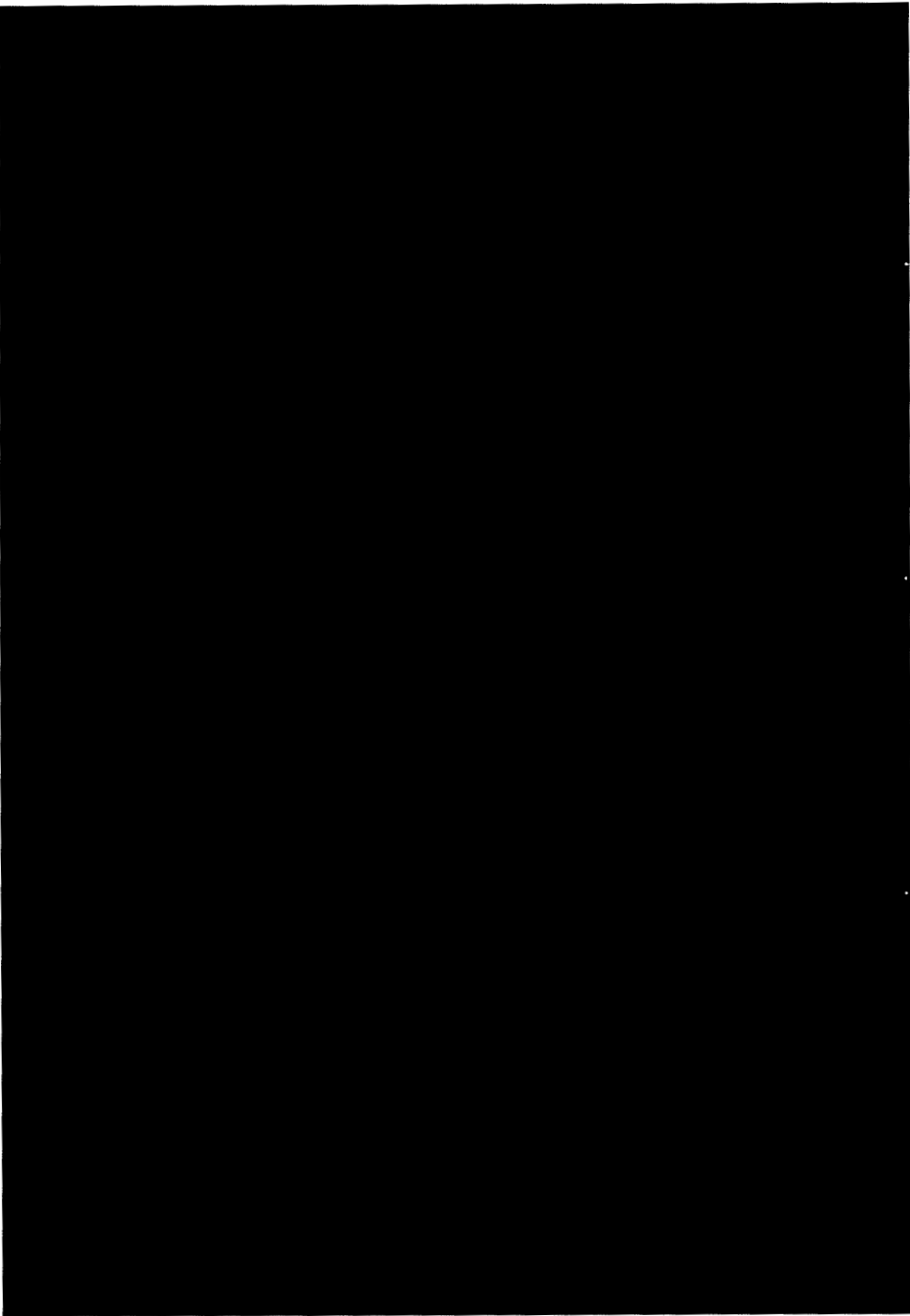
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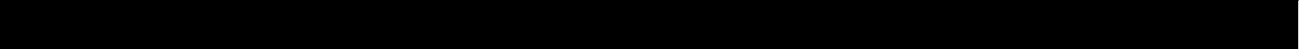
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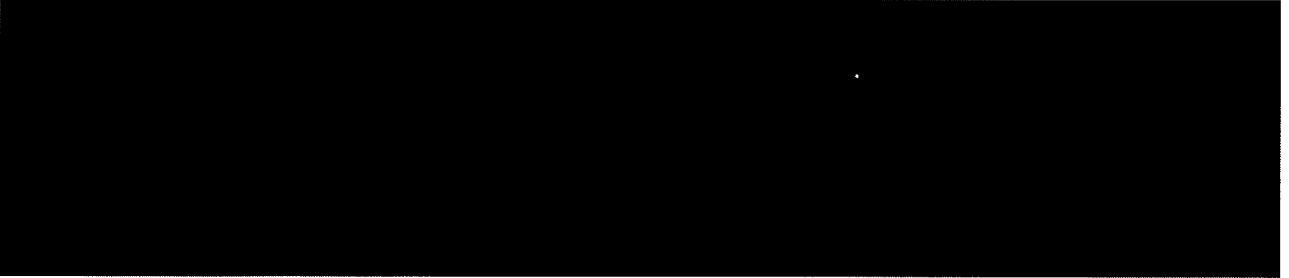


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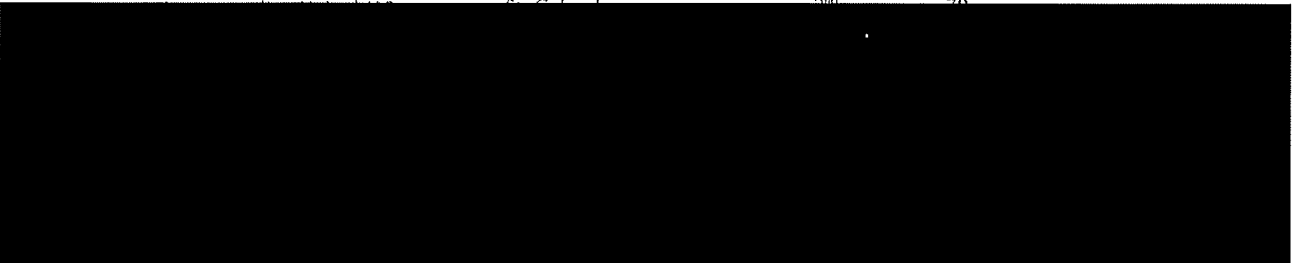


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Memorandum

To: File - PFR-13

From: Kathleen Leggdas, Administrator

Re: **Rev. John Calicott**

Date: February 25, 2002

Per a conversation with Marty O'Donovan – Priests' Personnel Board – [REDACTED]

1. Bob Miller, Fr. Calicott's monitor up for transfer
2. Fr. Calicott's term up in 1 year
3. Board to discuss

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COMPLIANCE WITH MONITORING PROTOCOLS

Name of cleric: John Calicott Year of ordination: 1974 Age: 54

Current ministerial assignment (if any): Pastor

Current place of residence: Holy Angels Parish

According to Archdiocesan policy §1104.12.2, a cleric who has engaged in sexual misconduct with a minor will be subject to appropriate monitoring for the remainder of his life as a cleric of the Archdiocese and his file shall remain open. Policy §1104.12.3 provides that monitoring programs and protocols should be applied on a case by case basis but must include certain essential components. This worksheet indicates whether there is compliance with these essential elements, as follows:

- Continuing jurisdiction and oversight by the Review Board with periodic evaluation and reports to the Archbishop: (circle one) YES NO

Description of continuing oversight: Meet with Professional Fitness Review Administrator semi-annually
Date of last evaluation and report: November 20, 2001

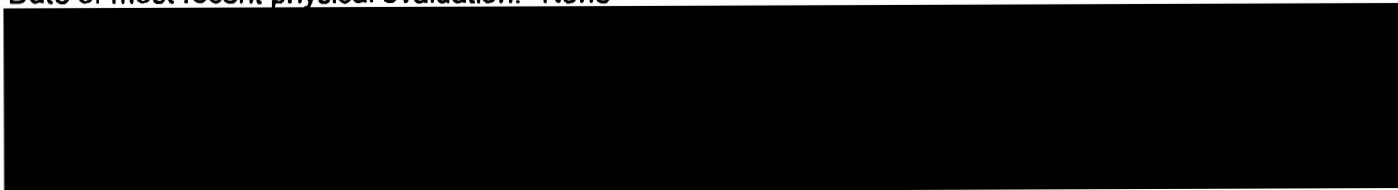
- A written protocol signed by the cleric, which sets forth the particular requirements applicable to him: (circle one) YES NO

Date of current written and signed protocol: November 20, 2001

- Restrictions from being alone with anyone under the age of 18: (circle one) YES NO

- Periodic physical evaluation and psychological reports determined by the Review Board: (Circle one) YES NO

Date of most recent physical evaluation: None



- Communication with leaders and others as appropriate in the cleric's residence or place of ministry in order that they are meaningfully apprised and able to assist in the program:

(Circle one) YES NO

With whom? Father Robert Miller - on-site monitor

- Does the cleric use the Internet? (circle one) YES NO
If yes, does he provide the Professional Fitness Review Administrator with a monthly printout of Internet sites visited? (Circle one) YES NO Shares computer

Other monitoring provisions or restrictions: Daily log, [redacted]
Board requested (3/18/02) copies of these Internet logs.

March 14, 2002

Signature of Professional Fitness Review Administrator

Date

3/14/02

**Client Case Review
Professional Fitness Review Office
March 14, 2002**

PFR-13 Rev. John Calicott

Two allegations have been made against Father Calicott. Both with males 11 – 14 years of age between 1974 and 1975. Allegations were of mutual oral sex with minors and were presented to the Review Board in 1994. Father Calicott is currently pastor of Holy Angels Church in unlimited ministry. Full disclosure of allegations was made to parish community before his return to ministry. He completes monthly log, Internet report, Vacation Forms and has an on-site monitor, Father Robert Miller. Is currently [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

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Memorandum

To: File

From: Rev. Thomas J. Paprocki, Archbishop's Delegate
to the Professional Fitness Review Board *TCJ*

Re: Rev. John Calicott
Review Board Meeting – Supplementary Review

Date: March 16, 2002

At the request of Cardinal George, the Review Board conducted a supplementary review of Father Calicott's protocol.

The Board asked for [REDACTED]

The Board also requested [REDACTED]

The Board further requested that Father Calicott provide the Professional Fitness Review Administrator with a monthly printout of Internet sites visited, even if this includes the logs of other staff members.

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Professional Fitness Review Board

Saturday, March 16, 2002

MINUTES

Review Board Members Present:

[REDACTED]

Absent:

[REDACTED]

Non-members present:

Rev. Thomas J. Paprocki, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board
Kathleen Leggdas, Professional Fitness Review Administrator

I. Case Reviews in light of Cardinal's request for Supplementary Reviews

A.

[REDACTED]

B. In the Matter of Rev. John Calicott, PFR-13

At the request of Cardinal George, the Review Board conducted a supplementary review of Father Calicott's protocol.

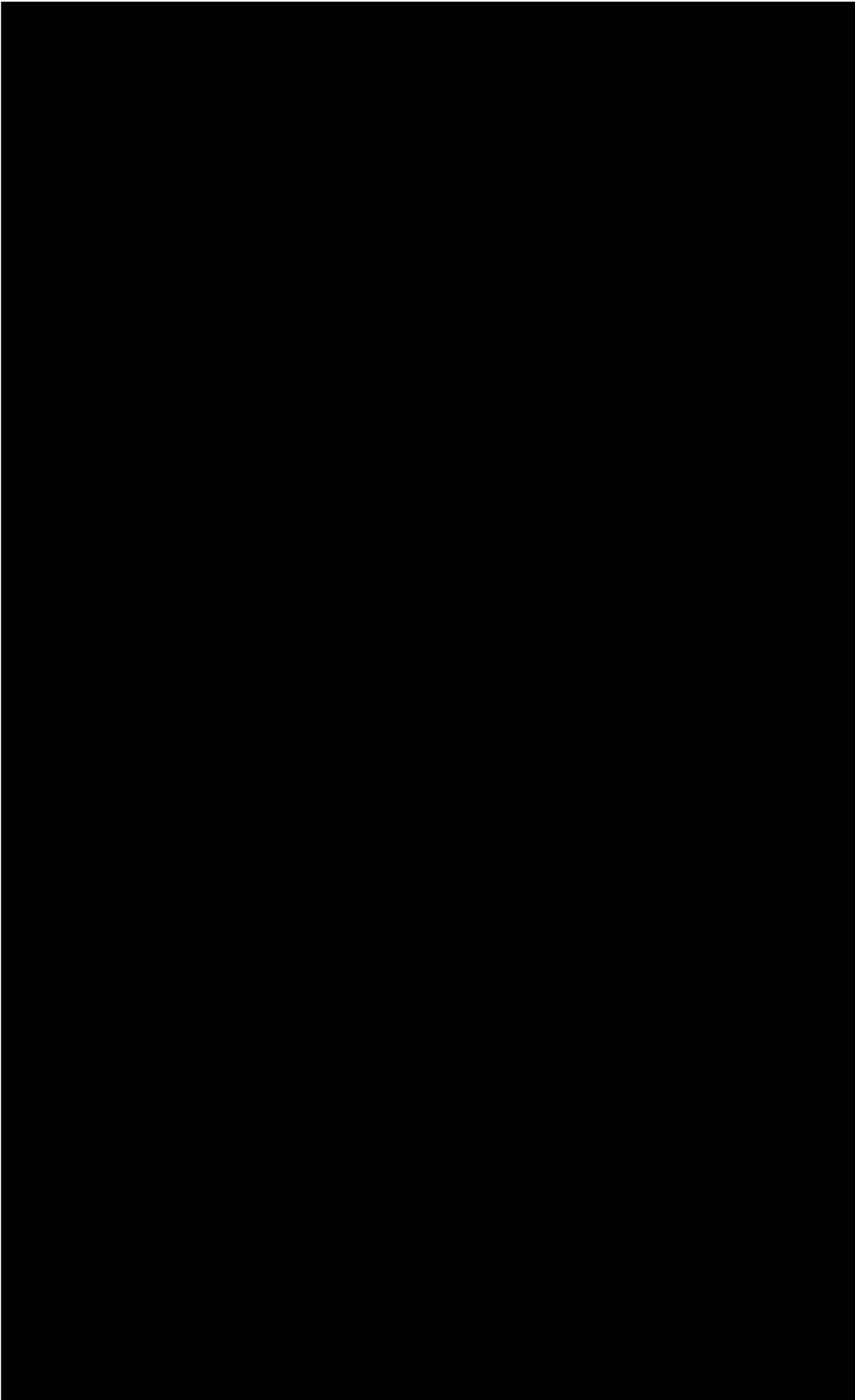
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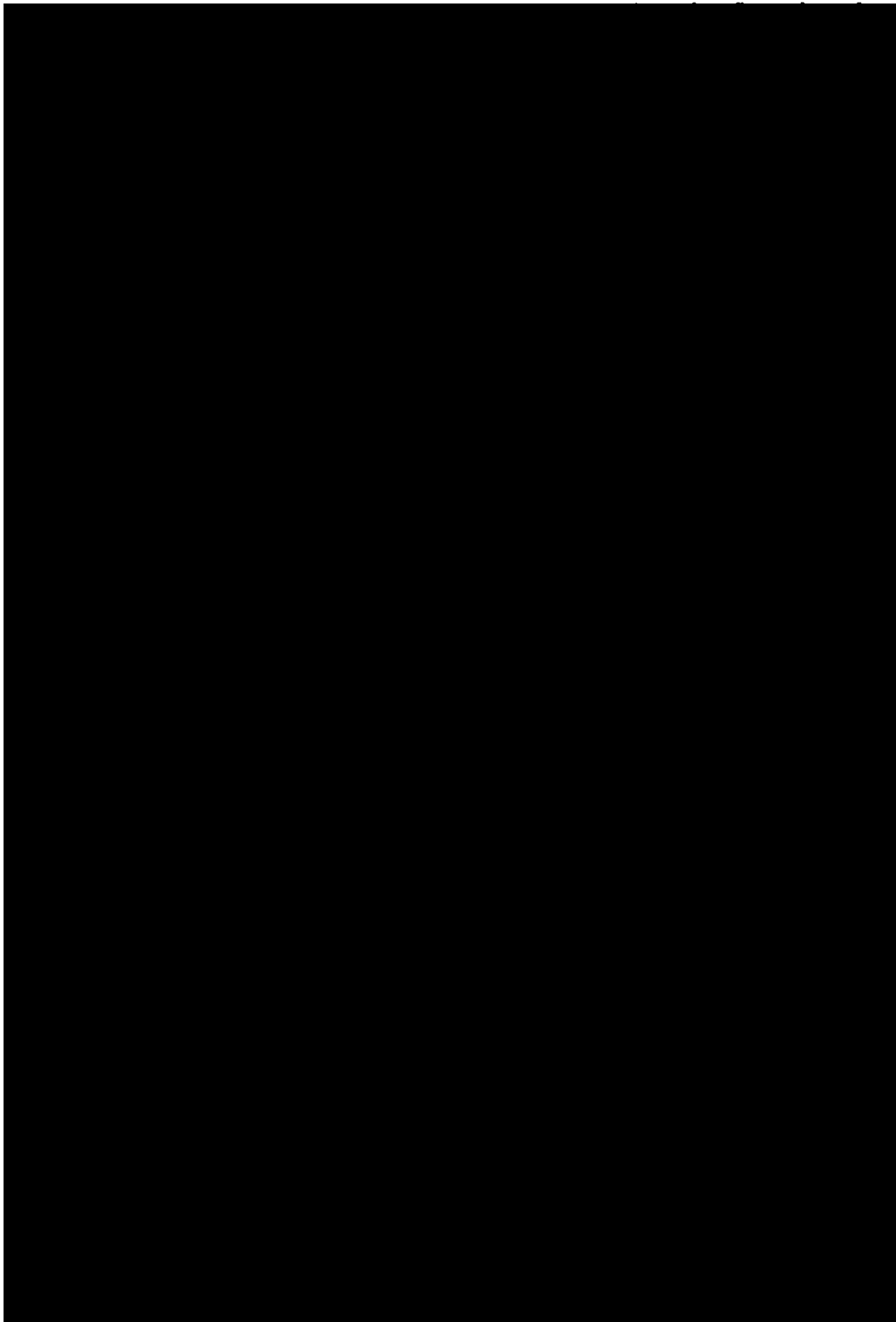


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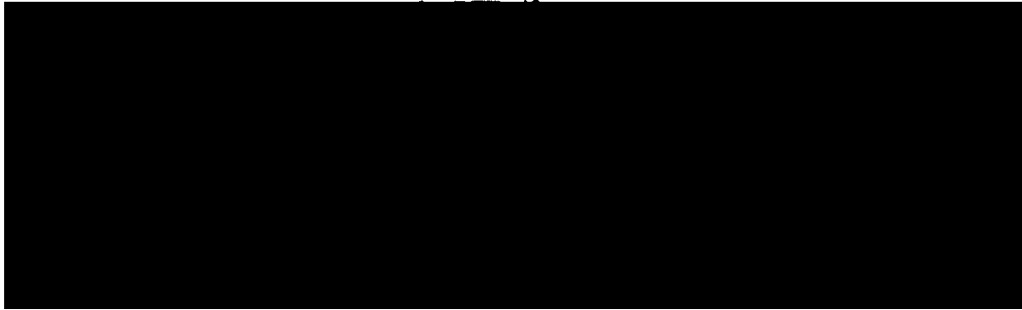
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II. Budget Review Postponed to April Meeting

Next regularly scheduled meeting is April 20, 2002

Cc: Members of the Review Board
Rev. Thomas J. Paprocki, Cardinal's Delegate to Review Board
Rev. Larry McBrady, Vicar for Priests
Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests

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Professional Fitness Review Board

Saturday, March 16, 2002
10:00 – 2:00

AGENDA

- I. Approval of Minutes from February 16, 2002

- II. Case Reviews
 - A. [REDACTED]

 - B. In the Matter of Rev. John Calicott, PFR-13

 - C. [REDACTED]

 - D. [REDACTED]

 - E. [REDACTED]

- III. [REDACTED]

- IV. Other Business
 - A. [REDACTED]

 - B. [REDACTED]

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March 26, 2002

Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I.
Archbishop of Chicago
155 E. Superior Street
Chicago, IL 60611

Dear Cardinal George,

Please be advised that the Review Board met on March 16, 2002. The Board fully considered all oral and written reports in the matter of Rev. John Calicott. The Board conducted a Supplementary Review pursuant to Article 1104.11 of the Policies and Procedure for Determination of Fitness for Ministry.

Based on that review the Board recommends the following:

- That Father Calicott [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- That he submit a monthly printout of Internet sites visited.

If you have questions or comments, please call at your convenience.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kathleen Leggdas".

Kathleen Leggdas
Professional Fitness Review Administrator

Cc: Rev. Thomas J. Paprocki, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board
Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests

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April 1, 2002

Ms. Kathleen Leggdas
Administrator
Office of Professional Fitness Review
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Dear Ms. Leggdas,

I received from you the review of all the outstanding cases of reported sexual misconduct with minors by members of the Archdiocesan clergy. I thank you sincerely for the good work of the Office and your own dedication to a task so important for the Church's ministry.

I accept all the recommendations in the letters that you sent me, dated March 25, 2002. In the case of accusations against priests who are now deceased, I would like to know how it is that we are going to be of service to the victims who have brought the allegations forward at this time.

This acceptance of all recommendations made will be seconded to all parties concerned, so that the recommendations can be implemented as quickly as possible. Again, thank you for your dedication and for the help you bring to victims and clergy.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Francis Cardinal George".

Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I.
Archbishop of Chicago

cc: Most Rev. Raymond Goedert
✓ Rev. Thomas Paprocki
Rev. James Kaczorowski
Rev. Lawrence McBrady
Mr. Jimmy Lago

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Memorandum

To: File - PFR-13

From: Kathleen Leggdas, Professional Fitness Review Administrator [PFRA]

Re: **Rev. John Calicott**

Date: April 5, 2002

A summary of the discussion from the Professional Fitness Review Meeting on March 16, 2002:

At the request of Cardinal George, the Review Board conducted a Supplementary Review of Father Calicott's protocol.

The Board asked for [REDACTED] The Board also requested [REDACTED]

The Board further requested that Father Calicott provide the PFRA with a monthly printout of Internet sites visited, even if this includes the logs of other staff members.

TRAVEL/VACATION AGREEMENT

Permission to go on vacation to MS from/to 4.5.02 ~ 4.16.02
(Destination) (Dates)

this year has been granted to John (Zliwot) provided the following conditions
(Client name)
will be met by him and _____ (s):

(See attached correspondence)

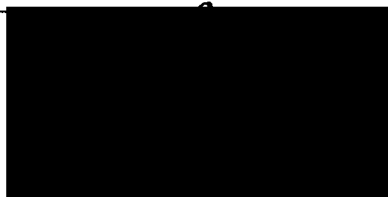
1. The designated companion agrees to accompany the client at all his activities. Client is not allowed to be by himself.
2. No contacts with minors are allowed unless companion is present.
3. Client is required to call in _____, to keep a daily log: proofs/
(Frequency)
tickets, receipts, etc., regarding resident's activities are to be submitted to PFR Administrator for verification.
4. If any of the above conditions are violated both the client and the travel companion(s) will be held accountable by the Archdiocese of Chicago.
5. The date of return to the residence has been set for _____, however due to weather conditions or emergencies that may arise, the date can be changed. Approval from the PFR Administrator must be granted for any changes in this statement.

Signature(s):

[Handwritten Signature]

Date:

4.5.02



A copy of this agreement will be kept on file at Professional Fitness Review Board Administrator's Office and the Vicar for Priests' Office.

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April 12, 2002

Rev. John Calicott
Holy Angels
607 E. Oakwood Blvd.
Chicago, IL 60653

Dear Father Calicott,

First of all, thanks for the call inquiring about my status during this difficult time. I'm fine and hope you are managing the media to your satisfaction.

The Review Board, as requested by Cardinal George, completed a Supplementary Review of all Board case files. As I mentioned to you on the telephone, the Board is requesting that you [REDACTED]

Please call [REDACTED] at your earliest convenience to set up an appointment.

If you have questions, please call me at 312-751-5205.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kathleen Leggdas".

Kathleen Leggdas
Professional Fitness Review Administrator

Cc: Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests

lose their ministries

Priest who admits to misconduct calls policy too harsh

BY ANA MENDIETA
STAFF REPORTER

The Rev. John Calicott said Friday he takes "full, complete and total responsibility" for engaging in sexual misconduct with two boys in 1976.

But the pastor of the South Side's Holy Angels Catholic Church—who is among a half dozen or so Chicago area priests to face removal from their ministry in the wake of new national policies on sexually abusive clerics—said he will fight to keep his post.

"I am really stunned right now. I really feel hurt that I would be lumped into the same category as Geoghan," Calicott said, referring to John Geoghan, a former Boston priest who allegedly molested more than 130 children over several decades.

Calicott called the new policies adopted Friday by American bishops "a punishment, a vengeance, and an assault on the very soul of Christianity."

"There are things that I should have never done, you better believe it," he said during a Friday interview in the rectory of Holy Angels, located in the Oakland neighborhood.

"But I feel I have worked very, very hard to get to this point. I have been told that I actually went beyond what would normally be expected. So I have to say to myself, what is the purpose then of taking my ministry? And the only thing I can come up with is punishment and vengeance."

"I know the victims' pain and anguish," Calicott said.

Hear my confession, hear my confession. But to say we are going to punish people for what occurred 20, 30, 40 years ago, how Christian is that?"

Calicott was removed from Holy Angels in April 1994 after two adult men accused him of sexual misconduct at Chicago's St. Ailbe's parish in 1976, when they were boys.

The priest was reinstated at Holy Angels after admitting to the sexual misconduct,



Bob Black/SUN-TIMES
The Rev. John Calicott admits he engaged in sexual misconduct with two boys in 1976. He also says he knows the abuse victims' pain and anguish because he was sexually abused by a priest. But, he says, taking away his ministry would only be "punishment and vengeance."

and after his parishioners pleaded with the late Cardinal Joseph Bernardin for his return.

Calicott, who insists he didn't intend to hurt the minors, said he will fight his removal and meet with Cardinal Francis George, whom he called "a fair man with a good heart."

If he's stripped of his ministry, as the new policies mandate, he said he will leave the priesthood and retire to his family farm in the South.

It's wrong to have a blanket policy for all priests who have committed sexual misconduct, including those, like himself, who have not offended again, he said.

Holy Angels parishioners interviewed Friday night had mixed opinions on Calicott's situation. At least one person said he'd consider leaving the parish if Calicott were removed.

"It would be a real test of my faith," said Rex Alexander, 52, who went to elementary school

with the priest. "And we would absolutely protest his removal, no question about it."

Tonya Bolden, 35, was shocked to hear about Calicott's likely removal.

"Is that right? It's unfair. . . . He has been rehabilitated and I know he has done an excellent job. I don't believe in going back 25 years and applying zero tolerance. It should be applied for cases from now on," said Bolden, who had two daughters in choir practice at the church Friday evening.

But Vincent Hardy, 40, a parishioner for the last 12 years, said removing priests with proven sexual misconduct cases "is the right thing to do," even if it means pulling Calicott from the pulpit.

"I am just wondering why they took so long to come to this conclusion. . . . I lost faith in him after the whole incident. But I can't pass judgment. We all make mistakes. It is now between him and his God," Hardy said.

Anne Burke to help run review panel

BY MICHAEL SNEED
SUN-TIMES COLUMNIST

Illinois Appellate Court Justice Anne M. Burke, a practicing Catholic and longtime child welfare advocate, will help lead a special committee created by the nation's bishops to ensure their new policies for sexually abusive clergy are implemented properly.

Bishop Wilton Gregory, president of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, called Burke earlier in the week to ask if she would sit on the panel that will be chaired by Oklahoma Gov. Frank Keating and will include prominent Washington, D.C., attorney Robert Bennett.

Burke, 58, who founded the Special Olympics and was former Gov. Jim Edgar's special counsel on child welfare, said she expects the new group will "get started right away."

"I think it will definitely be challenging," she said Friday night. "But I'm confident we will be able to work together to implement the policy to address the sexual misconduct in the clergy.

I will work very hard with my colleagues to establish a program which will restore the confidence of American Catholics in our church."

Cardinal Francis George said the "national review board" basically will serve an auditing function, ensuring that dioceses and archdioceses are adhering to the mandates set forth by bishops.

The panel will grow and will be composed of parents, said Gregory, a Chicago native. The board will report directly to him.

"The national review board will oversee the work of the protection office," Gregory said, referring to a new arm of the conference that will deal exclusively with the protection of children and the implementation of the charter.

"The board will approve the annual report of how this charter is implemented in each of our dioceses, and it will also make recommenda-



Anne M. Burke
Child advocate

tions to dioceses for compliance."

The committee also will "commission a descriptive study and a historical study of the nature and scope of the problem within the Catholic Church in the United States, including statistics on perpetrators and victims," he said.

Burke, wife of Ald. Ed Burke (14th), said she has met Gregory before but wasn't sure why she was selected. But she suspects it had to do with her "background in child advocacy."

The Burkes were involved in a lengthy court battle over a child known as "Baby T," who was born with cocaine in his system. The Burkes are his legal guardians, and he lives with them.

The Burkes attend St. Simon the Apostle parish on the Southwest Side.

Contributing: Cathleen Falsani and Robert C. Herguth

Bishops do their part, but resolution still far from sight

By Allison Hantschel
Staff writer

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Roman Catholic bishops last week went before a national audience to confess, to apologize, and to attempt to save a crisis they helped to create. Priests molested children, and prelates covered for them. As the leaders of America's 195 dioceses left Dallas, however, many ques-

tions remain about their newly adopted policy, which will remove all abusive priests from ministry but not automatically defrock them.

What role will law enforcement play in investigations of accused priests, especially under Illinois' new mandate that all clergy report sex crimes to authorities?

How will Rome, where the policy must be approved to be nationally

binding, react in light of comments from some Vatican officials that the bishops were "forced into" a strict stance on abuse?

What, if any, penalties will the bishops themselves face?

And what effect will this new, tough stance have on the credibility of men — priests and bishops — revered as absolute authority figures by generations of devout parishioners?

"I believe in their sincerity, that they are sorry, but I don't know if an apology is enough," said the Rev. Edward McLaughlin, pastor of St. Michael Church in Orland Park, referring to the contrite words of Cardinal Bernard Law and others now accused of concealing abuse. "They got caught with their hands in the cookie jar."

Under the policy the bishops adopted

ed Friday by a vote of 239-13, abusers — past and future — will technically remain priests but will be prohibited from any work connected to the church, from celebrating mass in public to working in a Catholic school. Men still can be dismissed from the priesthood, but that would be up to the presiding bishop, acting on the advice

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Bishops

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of an advisory board composed mainly of lay people.

Dioceses will be prohibited from signing confidentiality agreements with victims in civil lawsuits over sex abuse unless the victim insists. Bishops also must report all claims of sex abuse of a minor to public authorities.

Cardinal Francis George advocated before he left for Dallas that bishops who protected pedophile priests also face removal from their positions.

That failed to make it into the final document.

However, the policy for priests may restore some confidence with Catholics shocked and confused as to how the crisis occurred at all.

The constraints of zero tolerance

Forums conducted in May by the Catholic Lawyers Guild of Chicago showed 92 percent of Catholics thought a priest should be barred from parish ministry forever after a "substantiated allegation" of misconduct. Two-thirds of parishioners thought the priest should never have any kind of ministry again.

"I think (zero tolerance) will make people feel safer and more protected at a time when they don't trust anyone to make a decision about putting someone back into ministry," McLaughlin said.

Priests, however, are far from united in their approval, particularly if the policy forces retroactive removal of clergymen who have been working in restricted ministry, such as chaplains in nursing homes.

"I myself am not a zero-tolerance person," McLaughlin said. "Zero tolerance eliminates the human element. You can't apply zero tolerance to people without any exception. In a rare occurrence, there may be a way to place someone in a ministry other than with children."

George, who played a very public role in the bishops' gathering, admitted in May that there were several cases of working priests with accusations in their pasts that he inherited from his predecessor, the late Cardinal Joseph Bernardin.

One of those is the Rev. John Calicott, pastor of Holy Angels church on the city's South Side. Calicott was removed from his parish in 1994 after allegations he engaged in misconduct in 1976 with two teenage boys.

His parish lobbied heavily for his return, and Bernardin made a rare exception to Chicago's tough sex abuse policies to allow Calicott to continue pastoring at the church as long as he was monitored.

He could be removed from his parish again under the bishops' policy, which will be applied retroactively to priests with even one incident in their past.

Even if he is not dismissed from the priesthood, Calicott said, leaving Holy Angels would be "a crisis of faith."

"I'm having a very difficult time with it, and the parish is

"Zero tolerance eliminates the human element. You can't apply zero tolerance to people without any exception. In a rare occurrence, there may be a way to place someone in a ministry other than with children."

REV. EDWARD McLAUGHLIN, pastor, St. Michael Church, Orland Park

having a difficult time with it right now," said Calicott, who maintains he was never considered a predator or a danger to children. "I had a woman from the parish approach me last week and tell me not to worry, that they wouldn't do anything to hurt our faith community again."

Calicott said he would wait to plan his future until George returned from Dallas and spoke with him and the other archdiocesan priests about exactly how the policy would be applied.

"I have great faith in my bishop," Calicott said. "And until the bishops talk to Rome and Rome decides what to do, we just won't know. I want to wait and hear what he has to say."

Enter law enforcement

For a national policy to be binding, the Vatican will need to approve it, and church officials in Rome have been cool to the idea of strongly disciplining accused priests.

Vatican officials also expressed reservation at requiring dioceses to report allegations to the civil authorities, something that is included in the policy the bishops approved Friday.

Gov. George Ryan recently signed a bill making members of the clergy "mandated reporters" of child sexual abuse in Illinois, just like teachers, doctors and day care workers.

The bill exempts reports of abuse received under the seal of the confessional or during "spiritual counseling."

The new law requires clergy to notify civil authorities of an allegation immediately so they can begin an investigation, said DuPage County State's Attorney Joe Birkett, who drafted the bill.

Birkett said he believes the bishops did understand the seriousness of the situation they face, and signaled that in their policy.

"For the first time, the church realizes this is not just the issue of the moment, this is the issue of the millennium," Birkett said. "And they realize that if they do not respond professionally, in the way that we in law enforcement respond, and take it as seriously as we do, they will have people walking away from the church."

Lay people will have say

The Archdiocese of Chicago maintains a lay review board of the type all bishops now will be required to establish.

Its head, called the professional fitness review administrator, notifies civil authorities of an accusation immediately after an interview with the alleged victim, according to the archdiocese.

However, Chicago's lay board has been criticized by some victims and attorneys as moving too slowly to handle accusations against priests.

Other dioceses with no review boards and no requirements to report abuse will need to make major changes in how they handle accusations, said Diana Clegg, who counsels sexually abused children for the YWCA in Chicago.

"The time lapse between when they find out about these things and when they report them is going to have to be considerably shorter," Clegg said.

Some dioceses will need more reform than others.

In Chicago, a spate of abuse cases 10 years ago resulted in the policies in place today, and George has advocated a tough stand on abusive priests and negligent bishops.

Five priests have been removed from the archdiocese in the past three months; a sixth fled the country in the face of accusations.

In Joliet, the bishop removed 11 priests from ministry, though one was reinstated.

The Southtown reported in April that Bishop Joseph Imesch transferred a number of priests accused of child molestation to new ministries where they again had access to children. Wednesday, a Will County judge is expected to rule on whether records in one of nearly a dozen lawsuits the Joliet diocese has faced should remain secret.

Slow pace of change

Imesch advocated some leniency in dealing with accused priests at the Dallas meeting. The Detroit native also joked to reporters that the bishops' meeting Thursday night would interfere with his viewing of the Detroit-Carolina Stanley Cup Finals.

Birkett, who along with Will County State's Attorney Jeff Tomczak has been examining abuse case files turned over by the diocese, said he felt Imesch has taken some important steps in cooperating with the investigation.

The documents, some of which detail abuse cases that go back 30 years, have never been shared with law enforcement.

"I'm not entirely pleased, but I'm not entirely disappointed either," Birkett said. "These files have been eye-opening. It's clear they're now taking major leaps forward."

Bishops and other church officials will need to educate themselves about the seriousness of sex abuse, its effects on its victims, and proper ways to deal with incidents when they arise, Clegg said.

"The church is a very closed system," the counselor said. "A change like this isn't going to happen overnight. Some of the bishops do understand the problem, but not all of them do. We know this is going to take time."

Southtown religion writer Allison Hantschel may be reached at ahantschel@dailysouthtown.com or (708) 633-5998.

Decisions await on past abusers

Cardinal must deal with 6 or 7 priests still in archdiocese

BY CATHELINE FALSANI
AND DAVE NEWBART
STAFF REPORTERS STW 5/16

DALLAS—After a tumultuous week confronting sexual abuse at the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, Cardinal Francis George returned to Chicago only to face more unpleasant work at home.

George said he would immediately begin having "conversations" about what to do with "six or seven" priests who were identified as sexual abusers in the past but who are still working in the archdiocese as well as "a couple" more priests who are now retired.

"Anyone who has this kind of behavior in their background . . . will not be in public anymore," George said at O'Hare Airport after he returned from the Dallas conference. "In light of the new policies, that's not going to be possible."

One of those affected is the Rev. John Calicott of Holy Angels Catholic Church. He was removed from the South Side church in 1994 after two adult men accused him of sexual misconduct at another parish in 1976 when they were boys. Calicott was reinstated after [redacted] his parishioners pleaded for his return.

"He may very well decide, 'I'm going to appeal this.' He has a right to appeal," George said of Calicott. He did not offer any specifics on how such an appeal might be handled.

As for the retired priests, who may have been helping out at parishes occasionally, George seemed sympathetic. "When you have a man who is 84, in a wheelchair, in a nursing home, he is not preaching, he is not a danger to any ministry, there seem to be a couple exceptions that age and infirmity demand," he said.

The bishops voted 239-13 Friday to approve their Charter for the Protection of Children and Minors, which says no priest who abuses a child may call himself a priest any longer, nor may he wear the priestly garb, celebrate the mass in public or serve the church in any capacity—even as a parish janitor.

The bishops say they are united behind the charter, speaking with one voice both in contrition for the role they have played in creating the gravest scandal to rock the Roman Catholic Church in America and in their dedication to changing their actions.

And while the bishops have pledged to enforce the strict policies of the charter even before it becomes church law by Vatican approval, critics say they heard that kind of promise from the bishops a decade ago, and nothing changed.

In the days and hours that led up to the historic votes to approve the unprecedented, mandatory national policy on sex abuse of minors by priests and deacons, the

grand ballroom on the second floor of Dallas' regal Fairmont Hotel was filled with dissent, acrimonious dialogue and frustration.

After spending nearly 12 hours in closed executive session debating versions of the draft charter on Thursday, the bishops spent about an hour Friday morning arguing over a single word: credible.

Archbishop James Keleher of Kansas City had introduced an amendment to the draft policy that would add the word "credible" to modify "any allegations" that bishops would be required to report to civil authorities. The amendment was rejected.

But Bishop John Steinbock of Fresno, Calif., said, "I don't think I could face my priests back in my diocese if I say I'm going to report an allegation that has no substantiation, no credibility to it at all, and no reasonable suspicion, because he will be suspected. This turning over to the police will be public, and his name will be totally defamed."

Other bishops argued that it was the job of civil authorities—and not the church—to determine whether an allegation was "credible."

Another sticking point was the definition of sexual abuse in a footnote of the draft charter. Bishops had a protracted debate about whether to use a definition that went beyond simply forced physical or genital contact to include a far broader definition used by Canadian bishops.

That definition says sexual abuse includes "contacts or interactions between a child and an adult when the child is being used as an object of sexual gratification for the adult. A child is abused whether or not this activity involves explicit force . . . genital or physical contact . . . is initiated by the child, and whether or not there is a discernible harmful outcome." The amendment to use that language in the footnote was introduced by Chicago's Auxiliary Bishop Raymond Goedert.

Some bishops argued that the Canadian definition left the door open for almost anything.

"How are we going to spell out interactions?" said Archbishop Justin Rigali of St. Louis. "Is this going to be a glance? Is this going to be a word? . . . Remember, we are taking the priests out of ministry for this."

Archbishop Michael Sheehan of Santa Fe, N.M., argued vehemently that the broader definition would be harmful to good priests.

"What horrified our nation is that priests had some kind of genital, sexual contact with minors and harmed them in that way," Sheehan said. "If it's just a hug, to remove a man from the priesthood for that, that doesn't seem right."

In the end, bishops voted 156-87 in favor of the broader Canadian definition of abuse.

Perhaps one of the most interesting and heated disputes Friday involved seeking Vatican approval for the new policy. Bishops proposed pursuing what is called a recognition, literally "recognition," from the Holy See as soon as possible.

Some bishops, including Cardinal George, had wanted the group to wait two years to see how the charter works in practice before seeking Vatican approval—an idea the majority rejected.

"You can change your behavior because you promised to do something, even if it's not yet in law, and we've promised each other that we will do this, even though it is not yet law," George said. "But the argument against that was quite strong and carried the day."

"They said, look, the sooner we get this recognized the better off we'll all be, because Americans, as a rule, trust law," he said, "or at least trust promises that are then legalized more than they trust just promises."

George said Saturday that the church still needs to look closer at whether the bishops involved in hiding abusive priests should be sanctioned, an idea he endorsed without giving details.

"We have to look at ourselves if

we are going to look at our priests," George said. "There were misjudged values in the past" leading to priests protecting other priests.

He added that he hoped the church's scandal would prompt an examination of sexual abuse in the broader society.

"It's terrible. It's also terrible when it happens in homes and schools and playgrounds" anywhere in the United States, he said.

Dave Newbart reported from Chicago.

A Time to Bend

U.S. Bishops, Sure of Their Ground in Past, Let Public Opinion Guide Them This Time

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By LAURIE GOODSTEIN

DALLAS, June 15 — For many years, the nation's Roman Catholic bishops dared to stake out positions that were decidedly unpopular, or even countercultural, because they felt that on the grand American stage, it was their role to speak with a prophetic voice.

They stood against the death penalty and abortion even as polls proved that the public and even the Catholic faithful did not stand with them. They testified against the arms race while Americans applauded the Reagan administration's military buildup. When Americans clamored to close the borders to immigrants, the Catholic bishops preached to open them.

Then this year, a problem that had no doubt always been festering in the church erupted into a crisis that suddenly cast the bishops in the unfamiliar role of villains. A shocking num-

ber of bishops had permitted priests who sexually abused young people, including children, to continue serving in the ministry, where some priests preyed on additional victims.

Faced with this debacle, the bishops decided at their meeting in Dallas this week that this time they could not afford to take the unpopular, countercultural course. With the public, the media and sexual abuse victims joining in a chorus for "zero tolerance" of priest offenders, the bishops relented. They voted to bar from the ministry any priest found to be involved in sexual abuse of a minor in the past, present or future.

"People want us to act in a clear and decisive way," Bishop Joseph A. Galante, co-adjutor of Dallas, a member of the bishops ad hoc committee on sexual abuse, said to his brother bishops. "Not with a lot of wiggly words, or with being philosophers or whatever, and parsing everything. They want a clear policy that will say, 'Your children will be safe.'"

The new policy will have immediate consequences in some Catholic communities. Priests with sexual misconduct in their past — and for some elderly priests, their very distant past — will be pulled out of the parishes, nursing homes, hospitals and programs where they may still be serving. They will be told they cannot wear their Roman collars. They will not be allowed to say Mass. They will not be allowed to baptize

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Cardinal Francis George

Abuse policy to test parish's faith

Pastor's past raises questions about forgiveness

By Todd Lighty 6/16
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In 1995, a priest accused of abusing two boys was welcomed back by parishioners with tears, applause and rejoicing. Since then, Rev. John Calicott has sustained the respect and support of the parishioners at Chicago's Holy Angels Catholic Church.

On Saturday, parishioners said they remained hopeful that Cardinal Francis George would decide to allow Calicott to remain at Holy Angels, even after the nation's bishops adopted a new sex-abuse policy that apparently means they will lose him again.

"The parish is grieving based on what they've seen" of the new one-strike policy, Tony Vales, 39, said before evening mass. "But the ink is still wet on the bishops' report on what is to be done, and Cardinal George still has to meet with him."

Calicott has said he also wishes to stay. "I am not a risk to children," Calicott said. "I am concerned parishioners will rebel. People will see this as not being a forgiving church."

Indeed, Rex Alexander, who was an altar boy with Calicott when they both lived in the Ida B. Wells housing complex, said he has been a faithful Catholic since 1955 but would now leave the church.

"We as a parish had asked for him back and now they are going to take him away from us," Alexander said. "Where's the forgiveness?"

Nationwide, an unknown number of priests accused of molesting children currently are serving, most without public disclosure, as ministers in parishes, as chaplains at hospitals and nursing homes and in administrative jobs in dioceses.

In the Catholic Archdiocese of Chicago, besides Calicott, three priests work in parishes and three others are assigned to limited ministry working as hospital chaplains and in administrative positions, according to church officials.

The cases against all seven priests were handled during the tenure of the late Cardinal Joseph Bernardin. All are now in mandated monitoring programs that require them to sign a protocol stating they will never be alone with a child.

"The status of these priests will be reviewed in light of the actions in Dallas," said James Dwyer, spokesman for the archdiocese.

Dwyer said no immediate action would be taken against priests, adding that archdiocese officials want to digest the new policy and establish some form of procedures for reviewing each priest's situation.



Rev. John Calicott, who was accused of sexual misconduct at another parish, was removed from Holy Angels Church in 1994 and reinstated 1 1/2 years later.

On Saturday, George said he plans to meet with the priests after returning to Chicago. "I think I'll listen to them first," he said. "You have to listen first because a man's whole life is being transformed now, and even his identity is being affected by this, so you have to listen. We have to see what kind of future might be envisaged."

Church law, like civil law, is set up to follow principles of due process. Priests who are removed from their positions because of sexual misconduct charges can appeal their removal to a canonical tribunal already set up in each archdiocese, George said.

The tribunal is most visible in deciding cases of marriage annulments, but it also handles other issues, he said. The head of the tribunal in the Chicago archdiocese is Rev. Patrick R. Lagges, a canon lawyer, who was unavailable for comment Saturday.

The bishops' policy seems clear. Bishop Wilton Gregory, president of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, summed it up Friday: "From this day forward, no one known to have sexually abused a child will work in the Catholic Church in the United States."

The Chicago archdiocese earlier had determined that the 54-year-old Calicott and the three other parish priests had abused

children, although Calicott is the only priest in the archdiocese to be removed and later sent back to his parish.

As for the three other priests, an archdiocese review board, which handles allegations of child sexual abuse by priests, had determined that while the allegations were credible, the circumstances did not warrant the priests' removal.

"I don't want to characterize those circumstances because I don't know what they are," Dwyer said. "They are conducting regular ministry with some restrictions. They are not supposed to be alone with minors. Ever."

Dwyer declined to identify the priests. He said that in the three cases where the priests still worked in parish ministries, parishioners likely did not know who they were. The archdiocese had stripped another six priests this year from ministerial duties after substantiating old allegations of abuse.

The nation's 300 bishops gathered in Dallas to grapple with how best to deal with a child-sex abuse scandal eroding the church's credibility and stature among laity.

A bishops' ad hoc committee on sexual abuse had initially proposed that a priest who abused one child could be reassigned to a parish after attending counseling sessions, appear-

'I will be absolutely devastated if the church removes me. I have dedicated my life to the church.'

—Rev. John Calicott, the pastor of Chicago's Holy Angels Church who was accused of sexual misconduct

ing before a review board and agreeing to be monitored.

But critics, including some senior church leaders, objected strenuously to that proposal and instead approved a policy that removes abusive priests from any type of ministry.

Prior to the Dallas meeting, George suggested that bishops should have some leeway in deciding whether wayward priests should work in some form of limited ministry away from children.

Speaking of the seven priests in the Chicago archdiocese, George said, "I think they have served well. There haven't been any further allegations of abuse, they're connected to people, they're monitored."

"I think a lot of it would have to be like Calicott, that is, where everybody knows, then people can make their own judgments also about how they are going to

relate to this man and not approach him under any kind of ignorance or any feeling they have been deceived."

In spring 1994, Bernardin had removed Calicott from parish ministry at Holy Angels after archdiocese officials determined he had engaged in sexual misconduct with two 15-year-old boys. The abuse allegations stemmed from separate incidents in 1976 when Calicott was a pastor at St. Ailbe Catholic Church in the 9000 block of South Harper Avenue.

About 1 1/2 years later, Bernardin took an extraordinary step by reinstating Calicott to Holy Angels—a departure of the archdiocese's policy of reinstating priests accused of sexual misconduct.

Bernardin at the time said he made the exception because

found that Calicott posed no "significant risk to children" if he [redacted]. He also cited the passage of time since the misconduct and the support of church leaders and parishioners.

Even the two males who were abused supported Calicott's return to the parish in the 600 block of East Oakwood Boulevard, Bernardin said.

Calicott has built on the work of the charismatic Rev. George Clements, who had instilled the impoverished Kenwood-Oak-

land neighborhood with a sense of hope and pride.

About 500 families worship at the African-American Catholic church and have embraced Calicott. Regardless of George's decision, Vales said that support would continue.

"As a Catholic, you are taught growing up about forgiveness," Vales said. "This parish has forgiven him. We all know what took place ... and we do not feel he is a threat to children."

The co-pastor, Rev. Bob Miller, has acted as Calicott's monitor for the past six years. He described Calicott as a dynamic pastor.

"This is a perfect example of a bad situation that turned out to be a blessing," Miller said. "Cardinal Bernardin made a hard, difficult decision but it was the right decision."

Now, that decision is about to be undone.

Calicott, a priest for 27 years, said he was deeply hurt and wanted to meet with Cardinal George.

"I will be absolutely devastated if the church removes me. I have dedicated my life to the church," Calicott said.

"How can I teach forgiveness if the church is not going to show forgiveness?"

Tribune staff reporters Monica Dawey, Rick Hepp and Shia Kapas contributed to this report.

Bishops adopt 1-strike policy



Bishop Walter Sullivan of Richmond, Va., holds up his ballot Friday at the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops meeting in Dallas. AP photo

No discipline for leaders who covered up abuses

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DALLAS—Seeking to end the sex abuse scandal ripping apart their church, the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops adopted a tough national policy that will remove any priest from ministry for even a single act of sexual abuse.

But in what many found to be a troubling silence, the policy included no terms to discipline or rebuke bishops whose actions protected sexually abusive clerics in the past.

The new policy will strip an abusing priest of his Roman collar and his ability to do any public work as a priest, although he will not be automatically defrocked—or laicized, as the church calls complete removal from the priesthood. Some critics found that, too, to be a shortcoming of the new proposal.

Nevertheless, a majority of the American bishops said they believe the new policy, which becomes effective immediately, will restore Catholics' confidence in their leadership.

"From this day forward no one known to have sexually abused a child will work in the

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Catholic Church in the United States," said Bishop Wilton Gregory, president of the conference. "We bishops apologize to anyone harmed by one of our priests and for our tragically slow response in recognizing the horror of sexual abuse."

Chicago's Cardinal Francis George had intended to push for a measure that would have created what he called "consequences" for bishops who mishandled sexual abuse cases. Although his proposal was not included, he said he believed it would be addressed in the coming months and might be voted on at the bishops' next national conference in November.

"In the discussions, it became clear that this is what we could support at this time," he said. "But that's enough to begin it. I'm quite content with what happened."

The final policy, adopted by a

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vote of 239-13 after six hours of debate Friday, removed the possibility that a priest who had one known incident of sexual abuse in his past might remain in ministry. Instead, the bishops decided that "even for a single act of sexual abuse of a minor—past, present or future—the offending cleric will not remain in ministry and will not receive a future assignment."

The bishops' action apparently would end the ministry of seven Chicago-area priests, including one popular pastor who has rebuilt his tarnished reputation at a South Side church. For days, Rev. John Calicott, who was accused of abusing two 15-year-old boys in 1976 and is now monitored by the archdiocese of Chicago, said he had hoped that the bishops would not apply their new sex-abuse policy retroactively.

"I see no real purpose for it," said Calicott, pastor of Holy Angels Church. "The only purpose is vengeance. There is a shift from protecting the children to punishing the priests."

George said that while he supported the terms of the new policy, he regretted there would be no leeway in cases such as Calicott's.

"The problematic, or the flawed element, is the lack of an ability to nuance the treatment of perpetrators, which has served us well, I believe, in Chicago," he said.

Gregory, who is the Belleville, Ill., bishop, said he could not estimate how many priests would be removed as a result of the zero-tolerance policy.

As the 300 bishops moved on to handling some of the housekeeping and technical tasks accompanying their approval of the new policy, they said Friday's historic action assures that the church has done everything in its power to protect Catholic children from sexual abuse by clerics.

'Life of penance and prayer'

The final policy restricted the status of a priest guilty of abuse who is not dismissed from the priesthood to "a life of penance and prayer" in which he will not be able to "present himself publicly as a priest," including wearing clerical garb or celebrating mass publicly.

Gregory and others who have discussed terms of the policy with Vatican officials in recent weeks said they are confident of Rome's approval. However, the Vatican had advocated a case-by-case review of old allegations rather than a zero-tolerance policy.

George said the American bishops can pledge themselves to uphold the policy with or without Rome. But it would not be mandatory law until the Vatican signs off, and George said he foresees a negotiation process over the strictest terms.

Under the policy, local bishops



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Survivors Network of those Abused by Priests members Mark Serrano (right) and David Clohessy and other abuse victims march in Dallas, where the bishops met.

would be responsible for deciding whether to pursue the most severe action of actually defrocking a priest in their diocese.

Victims of sexual abuse by priests were quick to denounce the terms of the policy because it leaves room for guilty clerics to technically remain priests, although they would be stripped of all of their priestly faculties and privileges.

"If they're going to allow these men to still be priests, they can still abuse that position and authority," said Barbara Blaine, founder and president of the Survivors Network of those Abused by Priests.

George disagreed. "Zero tolerance—that's about as zero as you can get," he said. "He may never publicly present himself as a priest. He may never wear a collar. He may never

have any public ministry. What's missing there?"

And Joliet Bishop Joseph Imesch said he believed rank-and-file Catholics will be satisfied with the policy.

"I think all people want to be assured of is that the priest will not be in public ministry. That he will have no access to children, and I think this takes care of that," Imesch said.

Bishops also said critics need to understand the difficulty of formally defrocking a priest.

Defrocking called complicated

"I think the important thing is that someone who is guilty of a crime not be in any ministry of any sort," said Bishop Daniel Jenky of Peoria. But laicization is a complicated process in canon law that he described as a legal "swamp and a morass."

The zero-tolerance policy sur-

Statement of Bishop Gregory

The statement Bishop Wilton Gregory, president of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, made Friday after church leaders approved a national policy on disciplining priests who molest children:

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We bishops apologize to anyone harmed by one of our

priests and for our tragically slow response in recognizing the horror of sexual abuse.

The "Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People" stands as one of the greatest efforts anywhere in addressing sexual abuse of minors.

The "Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People" ensures that young people are protected, that victims are truly listened to and assisted, that all priests are trustworthy and that all bishops act responsibly.

—Associated Press

vived a challenge Friday afternoon in an open session of the conference from several bishops who stuck to a traditional stance that the church needed to leave room for forgiveness and rehabilitation of priests who sexually abused victims many years before.

"We have to come to a standard of zero tolerance but not a standard of forgiveness," said Auxiliary Bishop Joseph Sullivan of Brooklyn. "We have come to a policy of unforgiveness."

Bishops quickly rose up to defend the zero-tolerance policy on multiple fronts. Cardinal William Keeler of Baltimore said most bishops' experiences have shown that it is very rare for a sexual offender to molest a child in only one case.

"People can be forgiven and should be forgiven," Bishop Francis DiLorenzo of Honolulu. However, child molesters "have gone way beyond what we as a society, and we in Catholic moral theology, recognize as cultural taboos."

The future accountability of bishops in handling sexual abuse cases will fall to the newly created National Review Board, made up of laypeople. In addition to Oklahoma Gov. Frank Keating, a former FBI agent and state prosecutor, Gregory appointed Illinois Appellate Judge Anne Burke and prominent Washington lawyer Robert Bennett, who represented President Bill Clinton during his impeachment.

Keating was present at a news conference with Gregory after the vote was taken. He said that as a lifelong Catholic, he has been horrified by the church sex abuse scandal.

In addition to scrutinizing the future conduct of bishops, Keating said he would push for the

pope to remove bishops when investigations show their past conduct protected priests they knew to be abusive.

"It's a criminal act. If someone obscures, absolves or obstructs [the investigation of] that criminal act, arguably, they are accessories to the crime," he said.

Panel can add members

Along with Bennett and Burke, whom Keating described as "two solid, no-nonsense Catholics," the Oklahoma governor will be charged with appointing more members to the board.

Gregory did not comment on Keating's pledge to pursue the removal of bishops who protected abusive priests.

Earlier he said it was not his or his colleagues' place to ask their fellow bishops to resign.

"The question of resignation belongs exclusively between the bishop and the Holy Father," he said.

In addition to unanswered questions about the accountability of bishops, some church leaders also walked away from the session unsure of whether the church will keep track of abusers who are defrocked, especially those who are returned to lay society with no criminal charges hanging over their heads.

Bishop Gerald Gettelfinger of Evansville, Ind., suggested a "national registry" of former priests who are sex offenders that could be posted on a Web site in the same way that civil law enforcement posts sex offender lists.

No such provisions were included in the policy, but Gregory said Gettelfinger's proposal could be submitted to the sex abuse committee and put in the policy later.

Bishops face parishes with policy in hand

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NEW YORK — The Roman Catholic church needs to pick up the pieces, Cardinal Edward Egan told parishioners on Sunday as bishops returned to their pulpits after passing a new mandate on dealing with pedophile priests.

Egan and other church leaders apologized to worshippers Sunday for the clergy's handling of one of the worst scandals in U.S. church history.

"This is a harsh day. These are terrible times. And we are all outraged, scandalized," Egan told parishioners at St. Charles Parish on Staten Island. "We need to pick up the pieces, and we will."

The national guidelines, adopted Friday at a landmark bishops conference in Dallas, require church officials to report any allegation of a minor being abused by clergy and give the rank-and-file an unprecedented role in policing the church.

Cardinal Anthony Bevilacqua of Philadelphia said the Dallas meeting was "the most painful and difficult" of his 33 years as a priest.

"Painful though it is, I still support" the policy, Bevilacqua said during Sunday Mass at St. Denis Parish in Havertown, Pa. "I have to balance my great love for all priests with the common good of the church. That has to be the highest priority."

One aspect of the policy drawing criticism is that while past abusers will be stripped of duties, they will be allowed to remain in the priesthood.

Victims' rights groups have argued that formal defrocking — complete removal from the priesthood — is the only acceptable punishment for abusive priests.

Vatican officials, however, have questioned whether the plan to remove abusive priests from church work may be too much, said Bishop Wilton Gregory, president of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops. He said many in the Holy See do not understand the U.S. legal system and think that church penance is enough.

In Boston, the epicenter of the turmoil rocking the church, Cardinal Bernard Law did not appear at Holy Cross Cathedral, as he had not returned from Dallas and customarily spends the summer visiting parishes.

The homily was instead delivered by a priest, the Monsignor William H. Roche, who did not discuss the bishops' meeting or the sexual abuse scandal. Outside, protesters gathered as they have done since the scandal broke in January.

Stephen Lewis, 45, of Lynn, Mass., held a sign that read "Bishops Balk. Bishops Walk." Lewis said he was abused by a priest when he was an 11-year-old altar boy.

"They didn't go far enough. I want zero tolerance and priests defrocked. We're talking about a crime," he said.

Gregory said he still was "as confident as I can be" that the Vatican will approve the policy.

The process, which could take months, is necessary before the policy can become church law in the

Cardinal George vows archdiocese will conform

Associated Press

OAK PARK — The Archdiocese of Chicago will conform to new policies set last week by the nation's bishops for dealing with priests who have been identified as sexual abusers, Cardinal Francis George said Sunday.

However, the new policy is causing anguish at Holy Angels Church, one of Chicago's highest-profile parishes, where in 1995, a priest accused of abusing two boys was welcomed back by parishioners, who now insist the priest stay.

George said he will talk with seven priests who have been identified as sexual abusers in the past but who are still working in the archdiocese.

Those cases were handled during the tenure of the late Cardinal Joseph Bernardin. The seven priests are now in mandated monitoring programs that require them to sign a protocol stating they will never be alone with a child.

But under policies adopted last week by the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, priests who abuse children will be removed from any type of ministry.

"It means that we have to give up the Chicago protocols, which I think were responsibly handled before I got here. We will do that for the sake of national uniformity in the way this is treated," George said after celebrating Mass at St. Giles Church.

The archdiocese will review the cases involving the seven priests individually in terms of the new policies, George said.

One of those priests is the Rev. John Calicott, George said. Calicott was removed from parish ministry at Holy Angels Catholic Church in Chicago about eight years ago after archdiocese officials determined he had engaged in sexual misconduct with two 15-year-old boys. Bernardin reinstated him about 18 months later because he said [redacted] found that Calicott posed no "significant risk to children" if he [redacted]

United States.

"They know the seriousness of the matter," Gregory said on NBC's "Meet the Press." "They have expressed their overwhelming desire to assist us."

Many bishops returning from the conference said their dioceses already had adopted sexual abuse guidelines similar to the national mandate.

New Mexico Archbishop Michael Sheehan said on Saturday that the Archdiocese of Santa Fe had served as model for the national policy.

He expelled 20 priests after he took over the archdiocese in 1993 amid a sexual scandal there.

"We had here a microcosm in New Mexico of what has taken place recently in the country," he said.



Cardinal Francis George greets parishioners Sherry Spencer, right, and Peggy Rich, second left, outside St. Giles Church after presiding over Mass in Oak Park on Sunday. ASSOCIATED PRESS

Parishioners at Holy Angels now say they hope George allows Calicott to remain at their church.

"The parish is grieving based on what they've seen" of the new one-strike policy, said Tony Vales, 39. "But the ink is still wet on the bishops' report on what is to be done, and Cardinal George still has to meet with him."

Calicott also said he wants to stay at Holy Angels, formerly headed by the Rev. George Clements, whose

decision to adopt three teenage boys was the subject of a television movie.

"I am not a risk to children," he said. "I am concerned parishioners will rebel. People will see this as not being a forgiving church."

George said he spoke with Calicott on Saturday night.

"He is troubled. Of course, that's understandable. His whole future, his whole identity is at stake," George said.

The nation's bishops created the

new policies while meeting last week in Dallas to determine how best to deal with a scandal involving priests who have been accused of abusing children. George did not directly address the scandal during his homily on Sunday. Still, he asked the media to either leave the church or stop taking notes.

"I really don't want a worship service to be the object of the kind of scrutiny that you have to bring to things," he said after the parish's 75th anniversary Mass.

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Cardinal: 'We have more work to do'

Presiding over mass, George asks reporters to leave Oak Park church

By Anne Bowhay
Staff writer *Strom 6/17*

In his first sermon since the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops set a national policy on priests who sexually abused children, Cardinal Francis George surprised reporters by telling them "to leave, or to quit taking notes" during mass at a west suburban church.

Chicago's cardinal told reporters to quit taking notes during his homily or else leave the Sunday mass at Oak Park's St. Giles Church — after likening the media to government spies who tape-recorded his sermons when he preached in Poland during Communist rule.

Archdiocese spokeswoman said it was the first time in his five-year Chicago tenure that



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Cardinal George said mass Sunday at St. Giles Church in Oak Park.

George asked reporters not to quote him at a church service. Yet George's 25-minute homily made only passing references to the Dallas conference, speaking of the need to trust in God's providence and not "the agendas" and plans often set by others.

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"Together we must heal a broken world, heal a broken church, heal our families," he said at one point.

George spoke with reporters outside St. Giles after mass, telling them he returned from Dallas Saturday to call the seven Chicago-area priests who face removal from any public ministry under the new national policy.

"I've talked to a number of them ... I said that we have to get together to talk as soon as possible," George said.

Six of the priests have been in mandated monitoring programs after complaints alleging sexual abuse of minors were reviewed by a Chicago archdiocesan panel a decade ago, he said.

The seventh priest is the only one George acknowledged by name Sunday: The Rev. John Calicott, pastor of Holy Angels Cathedral on the city's South Side. Calicott spoke publicly last week about the new national policy, saying his removal would case "a crisis of faith" for his parish and him.

Calicott was removed from parish ministry in 1994, after archdiocese officials determined he engaged in sexual misconduct with two 15-year-old boys in 1976.

He was reinstated, with backing from his congregation, after the late Cardinal Joseph Bernardin ruled that he posed no significant risk to children if monitored

George said that he believes some of the men removed from public ministry will choose to leave the priesthood completely — "be removed from the 'clerical state,' as it's called," he said. "Others who are 80 years old might not ask that."

George said he expects U.S. bishops will meet again in November to further hash out



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Cardinal George ascends the steps to St. Giles Church on Sunday. "I did not want the morning's service to be the object of the type of scrutiny you have to bring to things," he said after the mass.

what should be done about bishops who mishandled cases of abuse. But he praised last week's move to create a national lay board "to monitor the conduct of bishops.

"That says that we're accountable to someone for the way in which we have acted ... It's the beginning of a different way of being bishops," he said.

Asked to describe last week's meeting among the leaders of 195 American dioceses, George said, "We had to do a national policy that would respond adequately to the crisis, and be seen to respond. I think we did that, and for that I'm very happy.

"But the story is a sad one, and at another level there is forgiveness and there's sin and there's trust within the church. All of that has still to be resolved. And so I'm pleased with work, but I know that we have a lot more work to do."

George delivered his homily at St. Giles, an Oak Park church marking its 75th anniversary. He opened by noting that when he worked in Poland, communist spies taped his remarks to be "used against the church, so I had to choose my words extraordinarily carefully."

The cardinal added that

seeing reporters Sunday reminded him of that experience, adding, "I apologize to the media for asking them to leave, but I do ask them to leave, or to quit taking notes."

Some applauded among the 300 parishioners attending mass.

The archdiocese had advised the media of George's plans to be at St. Giles and had not warned that he did not want news coverage.

"I did not want the morning's service to be the object of the type of scrutiny you have to bring to things," George told reporters outside St. Giles, after the mass ended.

"I'd like to be free within our own worship services to speak as a bishop and to preach," he added later.

"And if I have a public statement to make, I make it outside of our worship services."

George said the media should "broaden the number of people you ask to respond to what the bishops did ... to have more adequate coverage" of the scandal. The cardinal said "factual errors and confusions" have been reported, "but this is a story that deserves attention, and I think all of us are grateful."

The Associated Press contributed to this report.

Bishops' next test: Applying new rule

Prelates still differ on interpretation

By David Heinzmann
and Monica Davey
Tribune staff reporters 6/17

DALLAS—U.S. Roman Catholic leaders left this city armed with a national rule for removing any priest from ministry who abuses children, but also with a vast realm of unmapped technical and legal territory to navigate as they try to start putting it in place Monday.

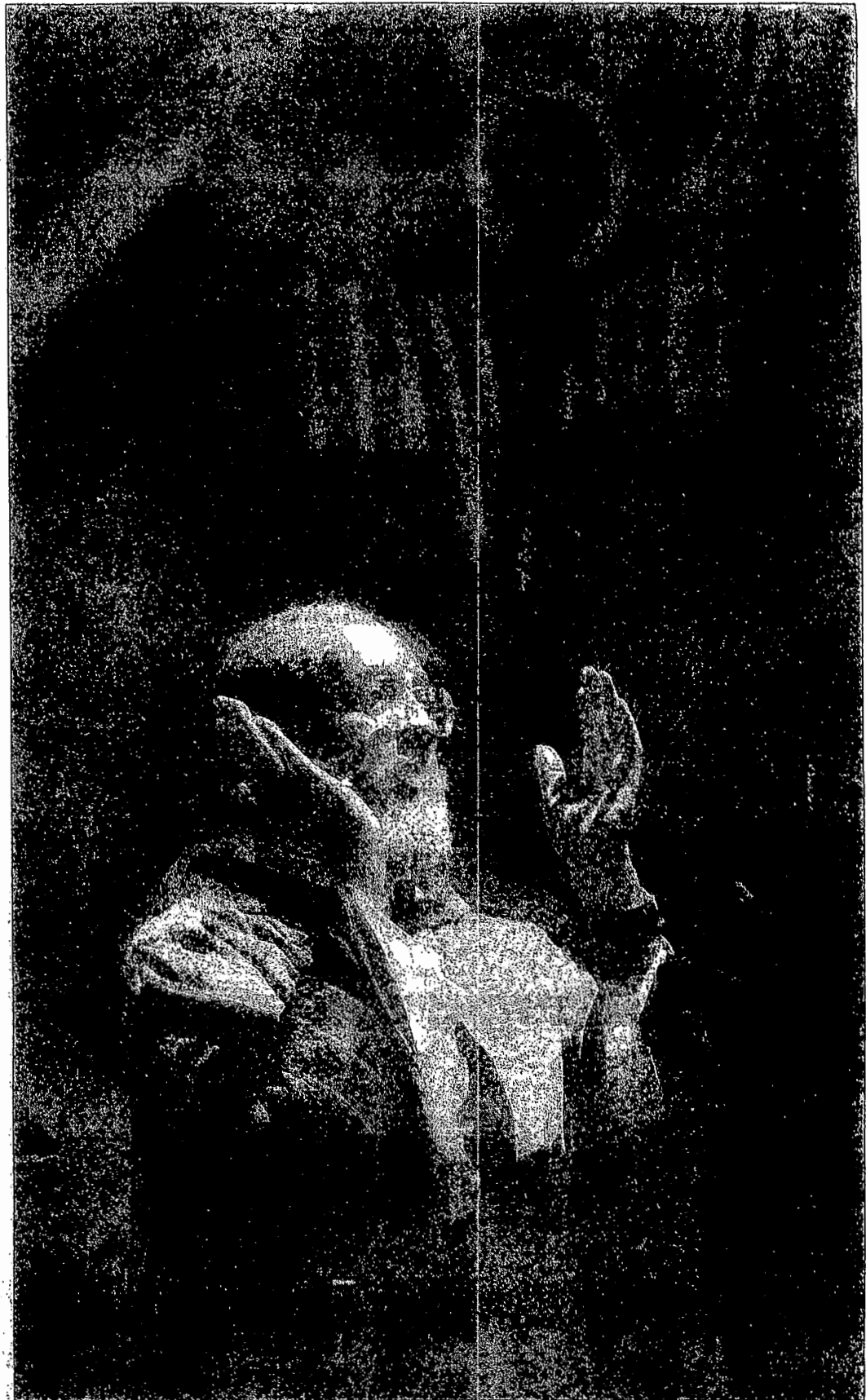
Although the intent of the policy adopted at last week's historic meeting was to create a uniform standard for handling abuse, early signs suggest that winning the bishops' votes may have been simpler than guaranteeing it will be interpreted and implemented uniformly.

Might an abusive priest who was removed from public ministry, for example, be allowed to keep his job at an archdiocese if he worked a desk job answering phones or filing papers? Some bishops said absolutely not, but others said maybe. Others conceded they simply aren't sure.

"None of these policies are exactly clear," Bishop Anthony Pilla of Cleveland said. "There is no policy that we could have made that would cover every situation."

Bishop Joseph Imesch of Joliet said priests who have abused even once in the past will hold no positions within the diocese: "nothing, nothing, nothing," he said.

"I think he pretty much understands he's not going to have any church job," Imesch



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During mass Sunday on Chicago's South Side, Rev. John Calicott of Holy Angels Catholic Church said he would appeal to the Vatican if he's forced out under new sex abuse guidelines. PAGE 13

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said, adding that retired priests would "certainly" continue to receive their pensions.

Chicago's Cardinal Francis George said he was not sure whether abusive priests might remain in certain desk jobs, as long as the jobs involved no ministry and no collar.

"We haven't even thought of that yet," George said as he left Dallas on Saturday. "It depends on where they want to make their new life."

Could such priests—there are seven who appear to qualify in the Chicago archdiocese—continue to work and draw a paycheck from the archdiocese?

"I have no idea," George said. "I have to talk to them. I mean I don't know."

Details to be worked out

On Friday, 300 members of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops voted to adopt a 12-page document titled "Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People" and a related six-page document. Although the charter went into effect immediately, many details remain to be worked out as the bishops implement it.

Many leaders said they were not even certain exactly how their way of handling sex abuse cases compared to the national policy, which calls for remov-



Tribune photo by Logan Mock-Bunting

Chicago's Cardinal Francis George said he's not sure about details of the new punishment for sex abuse. The new rules are "uncharted sea," he said.

ing all priests with old child-sex abuse incidents, assembling a panel composed mostly of laypeople to review sex abuse claims and hiring an "assistance coordinator" to help with pastoral care for those abused.

They said they intended on Monday to begin reviewing and consulting canon lawyers on their own diocesan rules to determine what changes will be needed to comply.

Several dioceses and archdioceses across the country, including Chicago and Joliet, already have a review board, which is now mandated by the policy, but few have an assistance coordinator.

"We're going to have to ask them to look at their role, and see if there's anything we're not doing," Imesch said of Jo-

liet's review panel.

In Peoria, Bishop Daniel Jenky recently announced plans to establish a 13-member panel.

National review board

Another element of the new rule is a national review board, but its role and authority also are a matter of confusion and uncertainty among some bishops.

Although some leaders and parishioners had called for it, the national policy makes no reference to punishing bishops who protected abusive priests, but the new chairman of the review board has indicated he would seek such consequences.

Oklahoma Gov. Frank Keating, who has been appointed to chair the national review board, has said he will examine the past conduct of bishops and recommend discipline in cases where the prelates acted to protect and prolong the careers of priests who sexually abused children.

Keating said it would be his duty to ask the pope to take action against those bishops.

Bishops had a wide range of reaction to that notion and board members' disciplinary power, with one saying, "I don't know what the scope of their authority is."

Others said the board's recommendations alone would carry great weight in the eyes of the public—and would likely lead to resignation or removal.

Bishop Michael Pfeifer of San Angelo, Texas, said that as a practical matter the board's public statements would be very powerful, partly because of Keating's status as a national figure with top-flight law-enforcement credentials.

"If that board feels strongly about removal of a bishop and

that's not done, I think we'd have another crisis on our hands," Pfeifer said.

During a closed session of the meeting, some bishops called for the resignation of colleagues, according to Rev. Thomas Reese, editor of the Jesuit magazine *America*. No one named names, Reese said, but they probably were referring to Cardinal Bernard Law of Boston, whose reassigning of priests he knew to be sex abusers ignited the current church crisis in January.

Closed-door apology

Law himself apologized "all over the place" during that closed-door session, Imesch said. Law said "that he is deeply sorry and regrets from the core of his being that he has brought the conference or the church in this country to this situation," Imesch said.

The four-minute speech was met with silence, Imesch said. "I think the bishops feel badly for him but also feel that he was somewhat, at least, responsible for what has happened," he said.

Hoping the new rule will serve as an answer to the crisis, bishops know the stakes are high for them to implement it in a clear, consistent manner.

"I am relieved, yes," George said. "A little anxious also, because it's an uncharted sea and there are going to be, as I said, sacrifices that are involved in this for the sake of the church's mission."



The Funjet Vacations ad in the June 16, 2002 travel section incorrectly lists the 7 night price of the Moon Palace as \$1049.95. The correct price is \$1249.95. We apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused.

S. Side pastor vows appeal if removed

Priest says he would take case to the Vatican

By Jeff Coen ^{6/17}
and Sean D. Hamill
Tri bune staff reporters

His ministry threatened by the new, rigid sex abuse policy adopted by U.S. bishops at their conference last week, Rev. John Calicott on Sunday pledged to appeal to Rome if he is removed as pastor of Holy Angels Catholic Church.

The Calicott case has emerged as the first challenge of how the national policy will work in Chicago. The bishops have voted that all priests with any substantiated incidents of abuse should be withdrawn from public ministry, turning the attention of Cardinal Francis George to Calicott and six other Chicago archdiocesan priests who have maintained church posts despite accusations of sexually abusing children.

Calicott, 54, said he hopes to be the exception to the new rule.

"I don't care what people say, I don't care what people try to do," said Calicott, who declined to comment Sunday on the specifics of the allegations against him. "I know my heart."

Standing on the lawn of the South Side church in the 600 block of East Oakwood Boulevard with some of the 100 parishioners who had attended mass, Calicott said church leaders need to look at the circumstances surrounding each case individually.

"I do not believe the solution is [to treat] every case the same," he said.

The charismatic pastor was removed from Holy Angels in 1994 after the archdiocese substantiated claims of sexual misconduct involving two 15-year-old boys in 1976 at another parish. He was restored to his post in 1995 by Cardinal Joseph Bernardin after [redacted]

[redacted] agreed to be monitored and promised never to be alone with a child.

Bernardin said he believed Calicott was not a threat to children if he [redacted]

That should be good enough for today's bishops, Holy Angels leaders said Sunday. To remove Calicott again would constitute a kind of double jeopardy and break the parish's heart, they said.

"I think the church has an obligation to live up to the agreement it made to allow him to be here," said retiree Gregory Callaway, 67, a parishioner for 12 years. "It would be a shame if they abrogated that."

Parish leaders and parishioners said Sunday they want Calicott to remain at Holy Angels.

Calicott's monitor, Rev. Bob Miller, called the pastor "marvelous" and trustworthy, and said he has done nothing to warrant suspicion during the past

seven years.

"I'm strongly hopeful there will be no diminished role for him whatsoever," said Miller, who added that he spoke with George on Saturday to describe Calicott's case and forward the parish's support of him.

"I told the cardinal that we're very hopeful," Miller said.

In addition to Calicott, three accused archdiocesan priests work in parishes and three others have been placed in administrative positions, church officials have said. All are in mandated monitoring programs.

George said again Sunday that he will meet with the seven priests and review their status. The priests "will have to go through the process" set by the nation's bishops in Dallas, he said.

After presiding at a 75th anniversary mass Sunday at St. Giles in Oak Park, George said

'I don't care what people say, I don't care what people try to do. I know my heart.'

—Rev. John Calicott,
on allegations against him

he spoke with Calicott by phone Saturday night after he left the bishops' meeting.

During his homily, Calicott said the new policy that threatens his future was adopted after much "fussing and fighting" and leaves much to interpretation. "I'm not sure even the bishops understand the policy right now," he said.

Calicott lost his composure during his Father's Day message, as he described men whose circumstances cause them to feel as if they are burdened with the weight of the world. A pastor feels the same, he said, when "his name [is] vilified and put in the same category as pedophiles."

During his homily at St. Giles, George compared the reporters and photographers who followed him into the church to the government spies he encountered while preaching in communist Poland.

George said he had drawn on that experience in Chicago when reporters covered his homilies in local parishes, then he asked photographers to leave, and reporters too, unless they turned off their tape recorders and stopped taking notes.

A smattering of applause came from the parishioners, and a few photographers left, but reporters stayed.

George met with reporters before and after services, but barely mentioned the bishops' meeting during his homily.

"I don't preach to give messages about public events," he said. "Those are 10 or 15 minutes [during the homily] that are special to me."

Cartoon unhelpful ^{5/17}

Jack Higgins' cartoon June 13 depicted U.S. bishops leading a group of priests with "dunce" caps on their heads. His thrust was that priests are nonthinking followers of the bishops who keep secrets. I know the media are downright gleeful about the troubles the Catholic churches are facing these days. Catholic bashing has been a staple of media for years, and usually we Catholics turn the other cheek.

I am appalled and outraged about the behavior of a few priests and bishops over the years. If I had my way, every last priest who molested a child and every bishop who knowingly covered this up would be in jail serving long prison terms. Higgins' attitude is not at all helpful in bringing about solutions to these shameful crimes.

Sharon Zahnle, Lake Forest

Make room for redemption in new policy

It was my friend Walter Schmidt who first called my attention to the impending collision between Catholic ideals and Catholic political realities, a crash in which the American Catholic bishops would be caught in the middle.

He called several weeks back and left one of his trademark phone messages combining jokes about his fading golf game (a ploy to get me to give him strokes) with serious observations about issues of the day.

"They haven't done it yet, but I think they're gonna adopt a one-strike-and-you're-out policy," Walter said. "But the problem is this: In this church of ours, there's supposed to be absolution—or redemption."

He's absolutely right, of course. Every time Catholics celebrate mass, they celebrate what Christians consider the supreme act of redemption: Jesus' death on the cross. If there is no redemption, Christianity loses its reason for being.

Well, the collision happened last week in Dallas. The bishops got together and, under pressure the likes of which they had never seen before, adopted a one-strike policy.

The Catholic ideal of redemption was submerged beneath the Catholic political reality of a powerful anger among the people in the pews at the bishops for failing to protect their weakest and most precious—the children—from wolves in priest's clothing.

With the head of the bishops' conference, Bishop Wilton Gregory of Belleville, proclaiming that "From this day forward no one known to have sexually abused a child will work in the Catholic Church in the United States," the bishops did what



Don Wycliff TRIB 4/120

they felt they had to do and then went home to begin enforcing the policy.

But human life refuses to abide by a one-size-fits-all rule and that ideal of redemption stubbornly refuses to stay submerged.

On Sunday, Tribune reporter Todd Lighty recalled the case of the Rev. John Calicott, pastor of Holy Angels Church on the South Side. He was accused in 1994 of abusing two boys, was removed from his post, [redacted] and, at the request of the Holy Angels congregation, was returned there as pastor in 1995.

Under terms of the Archdiocese of Chicago's now-superseded policy for handling sexual abusers, he has [redacted] and has been monitored by his co-pastor, the Rev. Bob Miller.

In the days since the bishops' Dallas meeting, Holy Angels parishioners have expressed hope that Father Calicott might be exempted from the sweeping and uncompromising terms of the new policy, even as they anguished over his impending loss for the second, and final, time.

Cases like Father Calicott's will always be rare. Something there is about child sexual abuse that seems to defy cure or even certain control. A policy that wasn't premised on that reality would be very nearly as irresponsible as the actions of



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Father John Calicott (center) is in jeopardy of being removed from celebrating mass at Holy Angels Catholic Church after the American Catholic bishops adopted a one-strike sex-abuse policy.

those bishops who in the past shuffled known abusers from parish-to-parish, without even an attempt at treatment and without informing the new par-

ishioners.

But in an institution that claims to value each individual person, should there be any policy so sweeping and uncompro-

mising that it can't make room for a Father Calicott and Holy Angels? That it can't, in other words, make room for redemption?

If God has numbered the hairs of our heads and known each of our names since before we came to be, ought not the church to craft a policy that attempts to take some account of the randomness and quirkiness of human life?

Apparently, if there is to be any relief from the bishops' straitjacket policy, it will have to come from Rome, from the Vatican. For now, however, the bishops, like a certain fellow in the Bible, have written what they have written.

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A year ago, in a column headlined "A call for decorum at graduation ceremonies," I expressed surprise and embarrassment at the raucous nature of the 8th grade graduation at Haven Middle School in Evanston. That column resulted in more than 200 e-mails from readers, many of whom said they had witnessed the same lack of decorum at other schools by audiences of many different races and social classes.

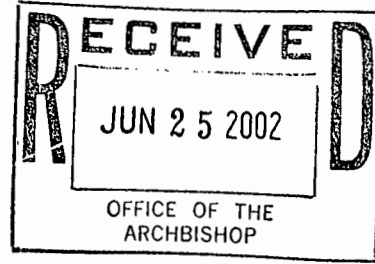
I don't know how it was elsewhere this year, but Haven's graduation was almost a model of decorum. Principal Celia Arresola and her staff obviously worked hard to prepare the graduates and impress upon them a sense of the solemnity of the occasion. Parents and other audience members cooperated for the most part, so that every student's name could be heard as he or she received a certificate.

Both graduates and staff merit congratulations for a job well done.

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06/20/02

Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I.
Archbishop of Chicago
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Dear Cardinal George,

Please do not remove Father John Calicott from pastor at Holy Angels Parish. I know he is a fine man, a good priest, and I feel sure he is not a threat to children.

I was principal of Saint James School on Wabash for many years, so I know from experience that Fr. Calicott has been a strong influence for good, not just at Holy Angels Parish, but for many more African-American Catholics in the Archdiocese.

As you know so well, every policy has its exceptions. To make an exception so soon after the policy was so publicly established, would take great courage. I know you are a man of courage. I will be praying that our good God will strengthen your resolve to keep Fr. Calicott at Holy Angels.

Sincerely,
Sister Margaret Lyons, RSM

SM Lyons

6/24

To Cardinal George,

I am really suprised at you
for doing what you are doing.

You want Rev John Calcutt of Holy
Angels to go. He has paid his duties.

You are so sick of hearing the sexual
mess. Then you move him from Holy
Angels (no more Holy Angels) you can
let go of it. Rev Calcutt was 1994
told by two men, why wait so
late to tell something as they could be
lying. If someone do something to you

6/24 would you wait until 6/24, 2005
Bernardin send Rev Calcutt back to
Holy Angels. You just want a white

Priest there, don't you. I bet Chuck will
go down & the schools might close but
you don't give a damn do you. I bet now
when you do die, it will come
back to you. So you do have

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June 25, 2002

Dear Father Calicott,

As you know, the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops on June 14, 2002 in Dallas, Texas, adopted a "Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People" as well as "Essential Norms for Diocesan/Eparchial Policies Dealing with Allegations of Sexual Abuse of Minors by Priests, Deacons, and other Church Personnel." Although the latter of these two documents is awaiting the *recognitio* of the Holy See before it becomes particular law for the entire episcopal conference, diocesan bishops can adopt particular laws for their own dioceses. I have done this by adopting and incorporating the Dallas protocols into our Archdiocesan policies and procedures effective as of yesterday, when I signed the decree.

Accordingly, while your case is being reviewed in light of these policies, you are temporarily being withdrawn from all ministry and are required to report to Koenig Hall in Mundelein where you are to take up residence, effective immediately. While acknowledging your canonical rights, canon 223 also requires those exercising their rights to take into account the common good of the Church and the rights of others as well as their own duties towards others. This same canon also authorizes ecclesiastical authority to regulate the exercise of rights in the interest of the common good.

Since the safety of minors is clearly in the interest of the common good, I invoke my authority under canon 223 and order you as a matter of obedience in accord with canon 273 to cease all ministry temporarily and report for residence at Koenig Hall immediately.

Personally, I appreciated very much the conversation we had. You are in my prayers; please keep me in yours.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Francis Cardinal George".

Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I.
Archbishop of Chicago

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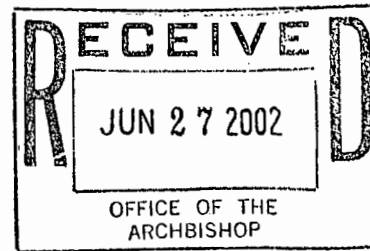
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Chancellor

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June 25, 2002

Francis Cardinal George
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Dear Cardinal George:

I am writing in regard to your treatment of Father John Calicott. It seems I've been down this road before. In 1994 I found myself writing a letter to Cardinal Bernadin under similar circumstances. At that time, Father John had been temporarily removed as pastor of Holy Angels Church. He was [REDACTED] judged to be of no danger to children and returned to his flock by the late Cardinal in 1995. Now I see that you and others in your infinite wisdom have chosen to overthrow the ruling of Cardinal Bernadin and remove Father John again.

Why?

I was baptized Catholic when I was two months old, which was 53 years ago. I was reared in Catholic elementary school so I grew up learning some of the man-made laws and changes in the Church. The older I grew, the more disillusioned I became with the Church and the more I wondered how so many laws and doctrines could be made by man in the name of God. I found it amazing. Now you have given us another one.

If Cardinal Bernadin felt it safe to return Father John to his parish, what gives you the right to reverse his judgement? Is your way of thinking that much more superior than Cardinal Bernadin's? Do you really feel you have the right to disrupt not only the life of Father John, but the whole Holy Angels congregation as well? And, do you think that by using Father John as a scapegoat and removing him again that you have begun to solve the problem in the Church? You appear satisfied when interviewed about your new rulings, but trust me, it may look good to you on paper but it has solved nothing. It's as if some had to be sacrificed to pacify others. That to me sounds more like a smokescreen.

When a man commits a crime, he is taken out of society, given rehabilitation and eventually given a chance to live his life anew. He is not punished a second time. However, you have chosen to do just that. This whole situation sounds as if Father John is being retried for an offense he has already paid for. Is this Christian? Is this justice?

In Father John's last sermon, he spoke to his congregation and expressed his concern for the young people because he knew they did not understand why you were taking him away from his people again. Well guess what? I don't understand either!

My 21-year-old son told me that you will not care about my opinion and he is probably right but I cannot stand by and ignore this travesty being done in the name of God. After all, if He can forgive sins, why can't you? Isn't that a part of Christianity?

Sincerely,

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G. Vicar for Priests Agenda:

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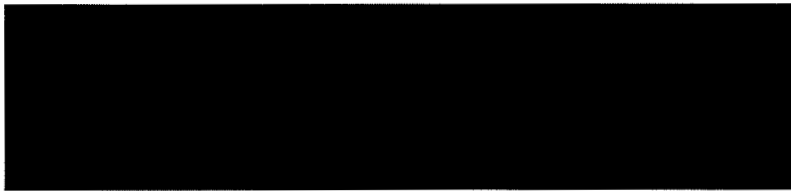
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G. Vicar for Priests Agenda:

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d) John Calicott '74: John is in the monitoring program.

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Co-Pastor's comments on "this present darkness"
June 30, 2002

Fr Bob Miller
Holy Angels

This past week Fr. John Calicott was asked to temporarily leave Holy Angels Church, and cease any public church ministry as a priest, for an unspecified period of time in response to the United States Catholic Bishops document on clergy sexual abuse formulated in Dallas two weeks ago. Fr John has already this past week begun the required canonical appeal process of his abuse allegations (which Cardinal George urged him to do). The Cardinal has chosen to make the "Dallas document", which is yet unenforceable without formal Vatican approval, "particular law" here in Chicago - thus some 8 Catholic priests have been asked to step out of their ministries and/or parishes until their individual appeals are concluded. Fr. John will remain technically as pastor of Holy Angels Church, and I will continue in my role as co-pastor (and administrator *pro tem*).

First, allow me to comment on the so-called "**Dallas document**". This what the Cardinal is responding to in removing Fr. John from active ministry - it mentions removing so-called sexual abusers from active ministry permanently for even one offense. This document itself is a needed response to a serious crisis in our Catholic Church but **it is not a perfect document, and in fact is very flawed** in its approach to whole situation. I feel it was rushed into promulgation due to immense public outcry and media pressure, and are some serious flaws - which I'll not go into not for sake of time.¹

As it relates to us here - the document's greatest problem is its lack of acknowledgment of individual nuances and circumstances for each different situation. It treats all "abusers" as same, as if all were Goeghan or a Shanley, all are monsters, all have done same things, all need to be treated the same. Fr John is NOT a Goeghan, not an abuser, not a pedophile, in fact (as I read it) I want to say clearly and bluntly to all of Chicago and our church membership that this document should not even apply to him!

This "Dallas document" has created total confusion in existing church law (called "canon law"). It has created new church policy that is not yet approved by Rome yet is being put into practice already, **and** it ignores existing church law forbidding a pastor's being removed without "due process". THIS is where John will immediately be spending his time and energy to reverse his removal - we believe that canon law clearly supports his remaining here while appealing. It is my personal prayer that Fr. John's canonical appeal of his unique situation will finally get it ALL get cleaned up, so that this injustice can be put behind once and for all!!

Second, **Fr John's situation specifically**. In my 7 years here, I have discovered an incredible amount of misunderstanding and confusion out there about the details of Fr John's unique situation. I want to speak plainly and bluntly here. **First**, I will say that there is gross injustice in how he has been treated both in 1994-5 and now again. He has been "sacrificed" on altar of ecclesiastical expediency and media pressure. Fr John was forced to undergo [REDACTED] the review board process in 1994 because the Chicago review board policies were brand new & had to be upheld publicly. Now 7 years later, he is again being forced to step back from ministry for the public credibility of another Church policy - a flawed Dallas document on clergy sexual abuse. Fr. John is the victim now - a victim of circumstances, of other people's sins, of ecclesiastical expediency. Fr John is "*a sacrificial lamb being led to the slaughter*", a lamb being thrown to wolves of the media and public opinion.

Far more importantly - the blunt bottom line is that **John has done nothing to warrant this unjust treatment**. I have been Fr. John's "monitor" for 6 years, and I personally know all the facts of his situation. Fr. John has not been able to speak freely or openly about what specifically happened because of confidentiality issues. He knows things from confidential confessional conversations that cannot be revealed publicly because of his priestly commitment to God! So I want to say clearly to all Holy Angels membership - Fr. John Calicott has committed no sexual misconduct, no act of any sexual abuse, no act of molestation, is not a risk to children anywhere or anytime, is not a pedophile or ephibophile or abuser or ANY WORD you want to use for sexual impropriety! Fr. John is a man of absolute integrity and immense faith! He is a model of Christian kindness and priestly dedication.

¹ (A) the bishops were not held accountable in any way for their handling of sexual abuse situations. (B) There is no allowance made for handling individual cases with a sense of nuance or uniqueness - all so-called "abusers" are lumped into the same category. (C) There is no provision within this policy for handling the sensitive distinction between internal forum issues involved with these cases, and external forum of public committees, media, etc. (D) How can any Church policy be "zero tolerance" when Jesus' Church is all about forgiveness, mercy, metanoia, conversion??

• The young man who supposedly brought the charge has himself admitted to at least 1 local news source as long as seven years ago that Fr. John had committed no sexual misconduct. From what I have heard, he supposedly stood up right here in Holy Angels Church shortly afterwards and admitted John had done nothing and said he didn't see why all this was happening. The Chicago Archdiocesan Review Board seems not to have done its preliminary investigative work very well seven years ago - they missed much of this, PLUS they chose to ignore ██████████'s comments (after ██████████) about Fr. John not fitting into this Review Board's policies, and posing no risk to any child. It was Cardinal Joseph Bernardin who thankfully heard the entire story, and acted in justice to return Fr. John to his rightful place of pastoral leadership here at Holy Angels.

Thus, I clearly say to all Holy Angels membership and to the wider public forum of Chicago - **In Fr. John Calicott's situation, it is not a matter of forgiveness - it is a matter of justice!** He has done nothing of sexual impropriety to be forgiven for - rather he has been "sacrificed" on the altar of ecclesiastical expediency. It is only just and right in God's eyes that Fr John be returned to full-time ministry.

Lastly - what should the *response and attitude of Holy Angels Church* be at this difficult time? First, let us support Fr John personally however and whenever he needs it. Prayer and Scripture obviously, but also by letters, messages, phone calls, etc. *"They will know we are Christians by our love"*. 2nd this is not yet the time for any public protests or marches - BUT I will heartily endorse and even encourage this at a further point in time if Fr John's canonical appeal/review process does not proceed forward quickly and efficiently, OR if it appears there is unnecessary foot-dragging or *"priest-sacrificing at the altar of expediency"* going on.

3^d there may come a time when letter-writing campaigns will be an effective and needed tool to get Fr John returned to ministry full-time, and get this allegation against him dropped once and for all. This is not that time yet - BUT if and when that time comes, I will heartily endorse and lead the charge here. 4th as long as I remain Administrator at Holy Angels, no matter what any Dallas document says, no matter what any Cardinal says, John will be free to minister here however he wants or chooses. *"You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek"*.

"We walk by faith not by sight" Right now many may wonder why things happen way they do, and how such injustice can occur again. But do not look at the problems and griefs and struggles around you! Our primary identity is not our color, jobs, feelings or church - but our BELIEF IN GOD! We are Christians - we believe and have a Faith that we walk by. We are believers in the ultimate victory! We are Christians who accept the great Truth of the Cross of Jesus- life always comes out of death! Thus, we CHOOSE to be hopeful! We CHOOSE life and hope. We will triumph in the end!

"You will know the truth, and the truth will set you free!" Much like the Civil Rights protesters of the 1960's, we have a cause that is Just, and the reality of Truth on our side! We have the One who is called Truth as our guiding Light, and the One known as Spirit and Power inspiring and empowering us! We cannot lose as long as Truth is with us! Just like the protesters of the 1960's sang, WE SHALL OVERCOME!


"Keep your eyes fixed on Jesus ..." Whenever we are lost and confused and uncertain by life's turbulent storms, you can never go wrong by keeping your eyes on the Master! Peter only begin to sink under the waters of the Sea of Galilee when he took his gaze off his beloved Savior! We will not sink, we will not drown, we will not lose our way as long as we too fix our unbending focus on the One who is the Way, the Truth and the Life! *"Why should I feel discouraged? His eye is on the sparrow - and I know he watches me!"*

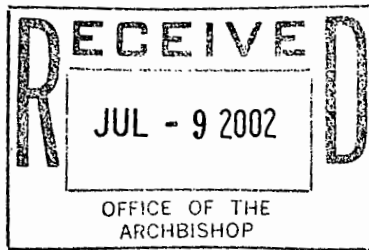
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7/7/2002

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John's wish that he
could continue us
he always have.

He has been taking
from us once, I want
you too read this
Paraphrase I have enclosed.
Please let our Father
return to his
duties here as our
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Memo



This is how all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another. - John 13: 35

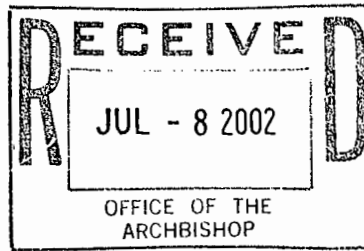
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To Cardinal George From Quita Baird Date 7/8/02

[Redacted] dropped off this copy of Fr. Miller's remarks to Holy Angel Parishioners at the houses on 6/30/02 and she wanted you to have a copy. She is very concerned with how this is polarizing the parish.

JUL 09 2002

Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I.
c/o Archdiocese of Chicago
Chicago, IL 60611



Dear Archbishop,

My family and I are presently members of St. Jude the Apostle Church in South Holland, IL. My two sons have attended school there since Kindergarten and we regularly attend Saturday mass.

The purpose of my letter today is to share my feelings regarding the injustice of what is happening to Father John Calicott and Holy Angels Church in Chicago.

I was baptized in the Catholic Church as a child at Sacred Heart Church on Chicago's South side. I attended grammar school at St. Ailbe in the seventies. I was a student there when Father John Calicott first came to St. Ailbe. I remember he was a young, energetic priest who drove a red Firebird. We had never before seen an African-American priest! Everyone loved him and wanted to be around him. Many boys in my class went to Quigley high school seriously considering becoming a priest. I feel sorry for and I pray for the 2 boys that accused Father John of sexual misconduct. I know that something happened in the mid-seventies between Father John and the victims. However, I believe that Father John has gone through [REDACTED] and has taken a long absence from his parish and come through this experience a stronger man and a better priest. He was judged [REDACTED] to not be a threat to young people. No additional allegations about him have been brought forward. It is unfair to throw him into a pot of priests who have spent years being a sexual predator of young boys (or girls). The Christian faith is about forgiveness of sins and coming out of difficult situations a better and stronger person.

I am not a member of Holy Angels, but I have on many occasions taken my two sons to Holy Angels to experience truly inspirational and spiritual Catholic services where the people welcome us and make us feel a part of their faith community. Jesus is alive and working and I feel it every time I am there. The mass is a little long, but the message usually carries me through the work week.

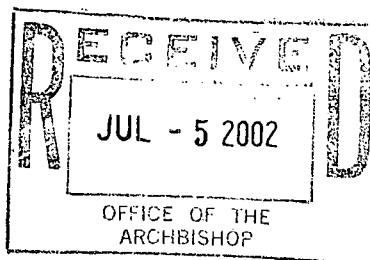
I want the Catholic Church to show leadership by not allowing the media to be judge and jury on policies within the Church and reinstating Father John as pastor of Holy Angels and return him to active ministry. WWJD (What would Jesus do?). In 1995, I went to Holy Angels and talked to Bishop Perry about the incident at St. Ailbe in the mid-seventies. I told the Bishop that what happened was over 20 years ago and that I would not be concerned to have my sons in the presence of Father Calicott. I said then, and I reiterate now that being Christian is about forgiveness. The sexual misconduct charge is not a secret. The parish knows about it and still wants him as pastor. I agreed with Cardinal Bernadine's handling of this particular situation.

For the priests who have sexually abused children for years, let the criminal court process deal with them. But, in this instance, the right thing is to stand behind Father John. At Holy Angels Church last Saturday, the choir sang "God of Second Chances". How appropriate!

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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Sir:

We at Holy Angels Church would like to keep our pastor, Fr. John Calicutt. He has demonstrated that he is a very caring and responsible person.

I can't understand why after being an obedient servant and [REDACTED] [REDACTED] and following directions he has suddenly being treated as a perpetrator because of a previous accusation. This is due to the Council of Bishops decision of zero tolerance.

The children all appear to love and trust him.

They show no signs of shying away
or fear demonstrating mistrust, or
possible danger.

Zero tolerance should apply to
present practicing perpetrators. Those
in [redacted] should be on hiatus
the Reformed with no back sliding
should be themselves.

If Jesus Christ went to the
trouble for thirty-three years to teach
reform and tolerance, certainly it
should mean something.

~~Otherwise~~ Otherwise, Reform is a
Waste of Time.

Give us back our Pastor,

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MEMORANDUM

**TO: Bishop Raymond Goedert
Father Jim Kaczorowski
Father Pat Lagges**

FROM: Jimmy M. Lago 

DATE: July 9, 2002

SUBJECT: Father John Calicott

On June 25th, Cardinal George wrote a letter to five priests of the Archdiocese instructing them that he was withdrawing them temporarily from ministry and asking them to move immediately under obedience to Koenig Hall. These letters were delivered and in one case, that of Father Calicott, a subsequent copy was delivered by messenger last week.

This letter was drafted in consultation with Father Tom Paprocki, former Chancellor of the Archdiocese and canonical advisor to Cardinal George.

I am at a loss to understand why Father Calicott is allowed to remain at Holy Angels Parish. The advice of other non-Archdiocesan canonists against complying is given as the basis for his decision to remain at Holy Angels until his appeal is heard. I believe that our credibility is at stake. Cardinal George indicated on several public occasions that the charter and the proposals passed in Dallas would be implemented in the Archdiocese. He has publicly stated that these priests would be removed and placed in Koenig Hall. I am astounded by our collective inability or unwillingness to implement this explicit direction given to us by Cardinal George last week.

cc. Cardinal Francis George

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*Fr. Calicott agreed to move
& Koenig Hall in a
telephone conversation on July
9, 2002
F. Lagges*

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cc: Cardinal George
Bishop Goedert
Father Kaczorowski

COPY

FROM: Father Lagges *pl*
RE: Father John Calicott
DATE: 9 July, 2002

I received your memo of July 9 in which you asked for an explanation as to how Father Calicott could be allowed to remain at Holy Angels parish against the directive of Cardinal George in his letter of June 25.

I don't see any inherent contradiction – canonically speaking – between Cardinal George's letter and Father Calicott's response. It is also in keeping with the Dallas Norms which say that things need to be done according to the norms of canon law.

Cardinal George has indeed done what he said he was going to do, and what he has a right to do: he removed Father Calicott from ministry and ordered him to report to Koenig Hall.

Father Calicott is also doing what he has a right to do: he has obtained canonical counsel and has appealed Cardinal George's decision.

Canon 1491 states, "Every right is protected not only by an action but also by an exception...." Cardinal George has taken an action which restricts Father Calicott's right to act as a priest and as a pastor and has relieved him of his obligation to live within his parish boundaries. Father Calicott has a right to lodge an exception to that action, which he has done.

Since in law the action of Cardinal George is considered an administrative act, Father Calicott would be following what is called "hierarchical administrative recourse" against the decision. The right to do this is guaranteed both by the Code of Canon Law, as well as the *Policies and Procedures of the Archdiocese of Chicago*, Book I: General Norms, §§1000-1001.

In proposing hierarchical administrative recourse, the first step is always to request the person issuing the administrative act to amend or revoke his actions. As I understand it, this is what

Father Calicott has done, although I have seen nothing personally. Canon 1734§1 indicates this request also implies that a suspension of the act is also being petitioned.

In response to this request, the Cardinal has thirty days in which to respond to Father Calicott's request. He could respond by repeating what he said in his initial request, stating that Father Calicott's reasons were not compelling. Or he could respond by emending or revoking his decision in whatever way he chooses. Or he could do nothing, in which case a negative response is presumed after thirty days.

Father Calicott then has fifteen days from the time of the Cardinal's response (or from the lapse of thirty days without a response) in which to appeal the Cardinal's decision to the Holy See, asking either the Congregation for the Clergy or the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith for hierarchical administrative recourse against the Cardinal's decision. The appropriate congregation would then contact the Archdiocese for further information about the decision.

Can the Cardinal insist Father Calicott follow his directive while the appeal process is pending? Yes, but that in itself is subject to appeal. Within ten days of receiving Father Calicott's request to revoke or amend the decree, the Cardinal would have to issue a separate decree, indicating that he does not accept the request to suspend the action, and asking Father Calicott to obey the directive. Father Calicott could then appeal this decision separately, asking the Holy See to suspend the decree from taking effect. Canon 1736 says that the Holy See could only decree the suspension of Cardinal George's decree "for grave reasons and always cautiously so that the salvation of souls suffers no harm." In other words, the canon presumes the Cardinal has sufficient reason for not suspending the execution of his decree.

I realize this is not very clear. That's because the whole process is very complicated. We have been fortunate in the past that priests have simply agreed to the Cardinal's request to refrain from ministry and to live outside their parish. Canon law prefers that matters be settled in that way. However, the priests also have a right to disagree, and that's what we are going to have to deal with now.

I hope this helps to explain things a little better. If not, perhaps we could have a meeting to discuss it so that everyone can be familiar with what is meant by an appeal process.

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July 10, 2002

His Eminence Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I.
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Your Eminence,

Peace.

I am writing, Your Eminence, to let you know that I received your letter of June 25th via personal courier on July 3rd and to inform you that I am in compliance with your directive to cease all ministry while my case is being reviewed in light of the "Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People" and the "Essential Norms for Diocesan/Eparchial Policies Dealing with Allegations of Sexual Abuse of Minors by Priests, Deacons and other Church Personnel." I hope that the review process will be as swift as possible and thank you for your attention and efforts towards expeditious resolution to these matters.

However, Your Eminence, I am requesting to remain in residence at Holy Angels while my case is being reviewed. To this end, I am requesting an emendation of the content of your letter of June 25th, in accord with canon 1734 of the Code of Canon Law, specifically dealing with my place of residence. You are quite correct in noting that the "safety of minors is clearly in the interest of the common good." However, I would like to respectfully note that

[REDACTED] have all clearly stated that I am not a risk to minors. The Archdiocese has documentation of this in my personnel files. I have a deep personal concern that my leaving the parish at this point would suggest, contrary to the documentation, that I am a risk to minors and, thereby, bring even greater harm to a fragile reputation that I have spent years attempting to rebuild, and the importance of which is found in canons 220 and 1717.

Further, as my personal effects, books, computer, pets, etc. could hardly all be moved to Koenig Hall, moving there would effectively mean that I would have to be living in two places in order to function. And, finally, my immediate family members, who are a much needed support in my life during difficult times like this, live in [REDACTED], some distance from Holy Angels, a far greater distance from the Major Seminary.

Finally my residence at the parish would also enable me to be better positioned to settle parishioners, should it become necessary, as whatever chosen process unfolds.

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Francis Cardinal George, p. 2, July 10, 2002

I would continue to cease ministry and not to wear clerical clothing, as you have directed. I have had past experience in this when I was involved in the previous administrative processes, [REDACTED] and correction.

If the situation of being "temporarily withdrawn" from ministry appears as if it would become prolonged, I respectfully intend to seek hierarchical recourse.

I also am presently seeking canonical advise from Fr. Kevin Vann, of the diocese of Springfield, who has been a judge and adjutant Judicial Vicar in the Court of Appeal.

I thank you for your concerns, the time you have spent on my behalf and assuring you of my prayers and with cordial best wishes, Your Eminence, I am,

In the peace of Christ,



Rev. John Calicott

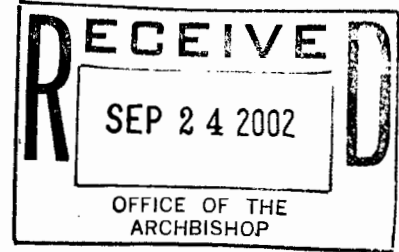
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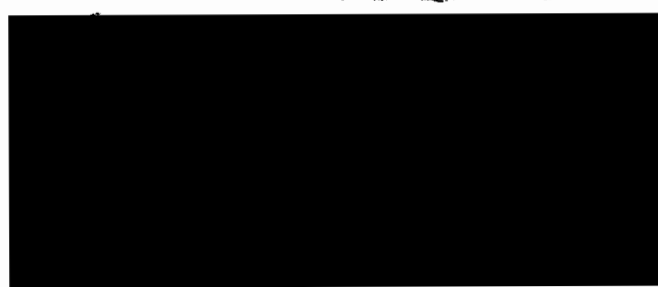
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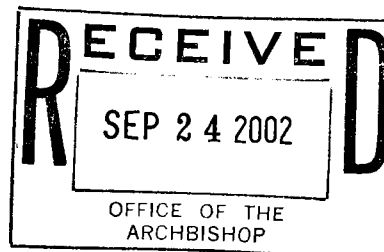
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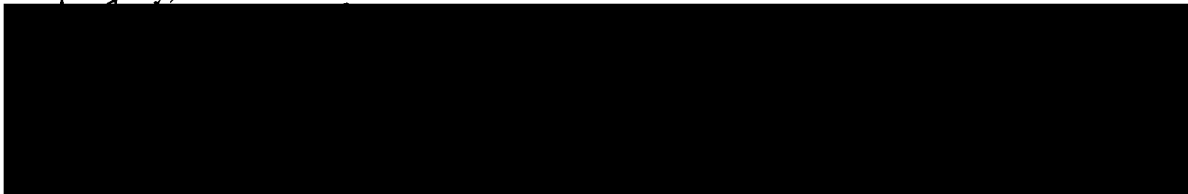
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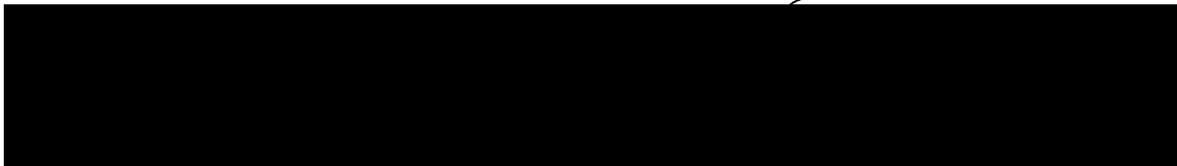
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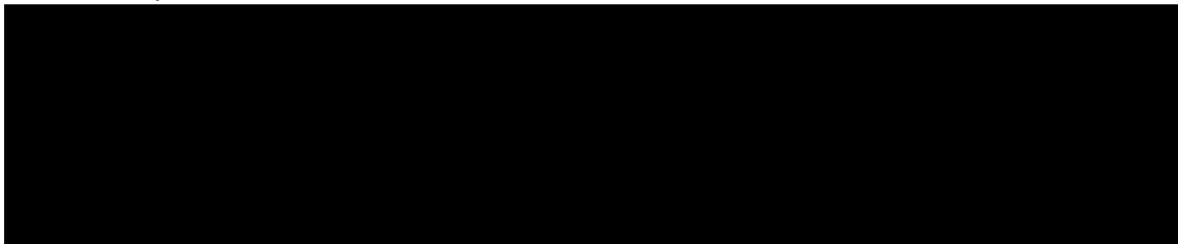
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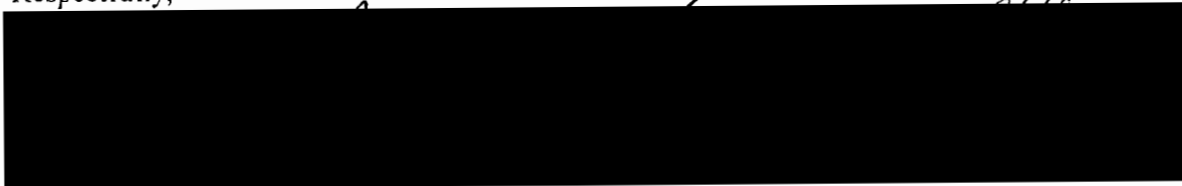
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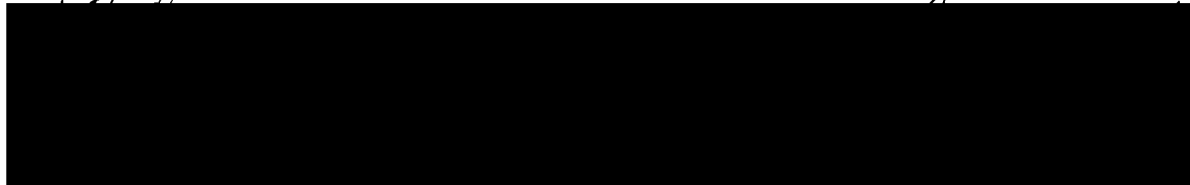
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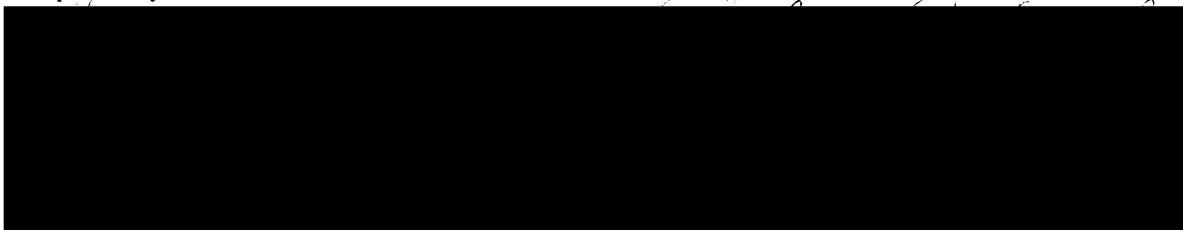
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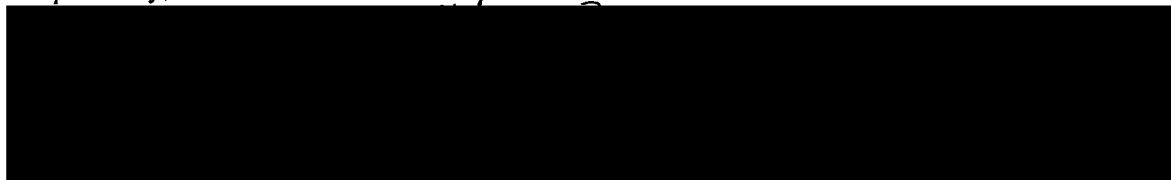
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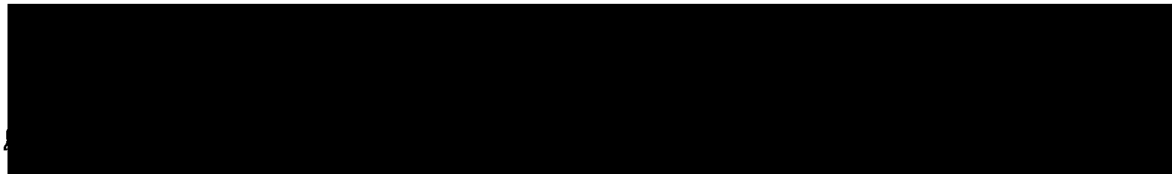
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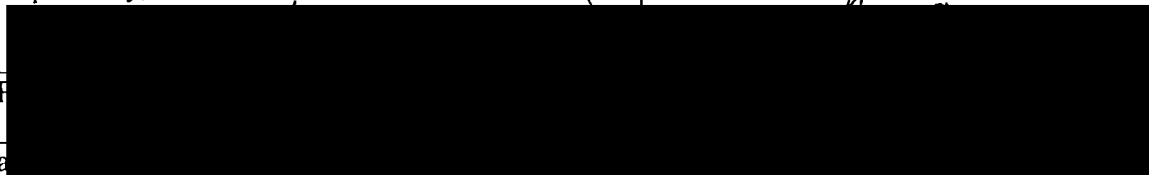
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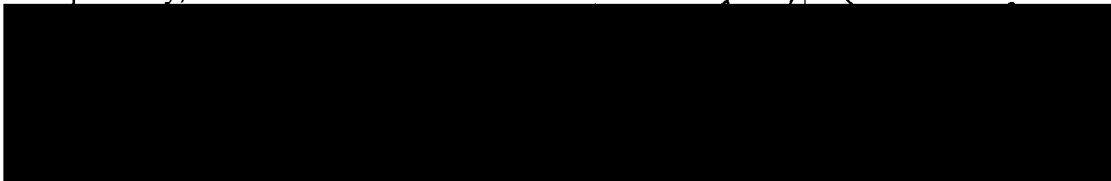
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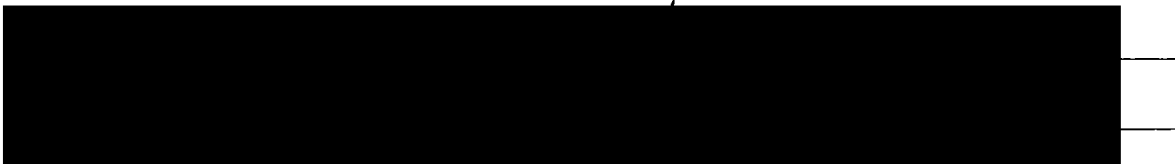
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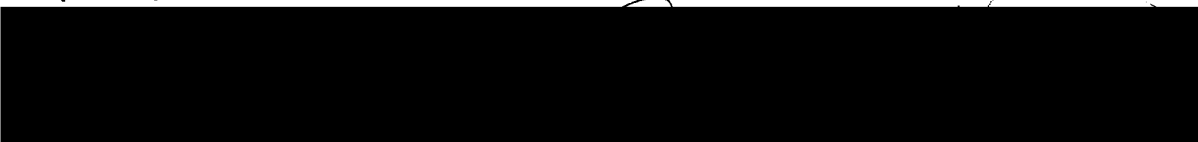
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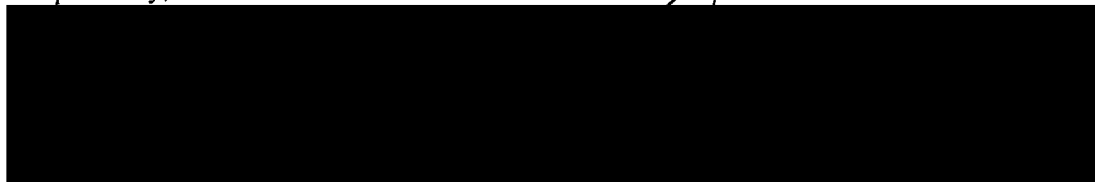
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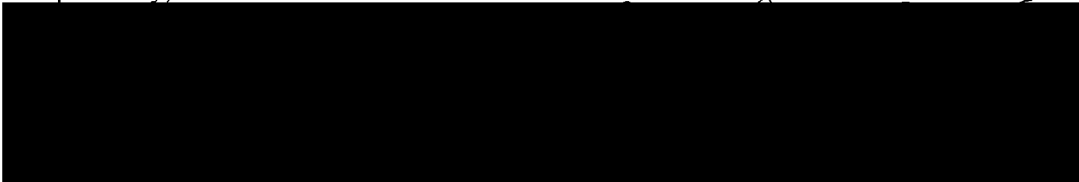
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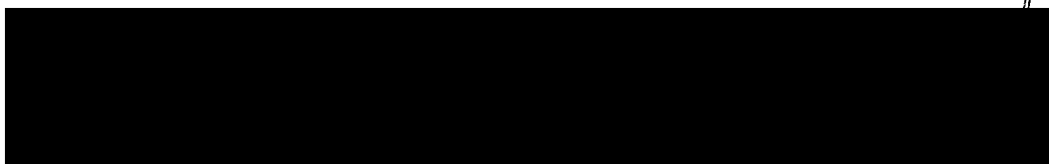
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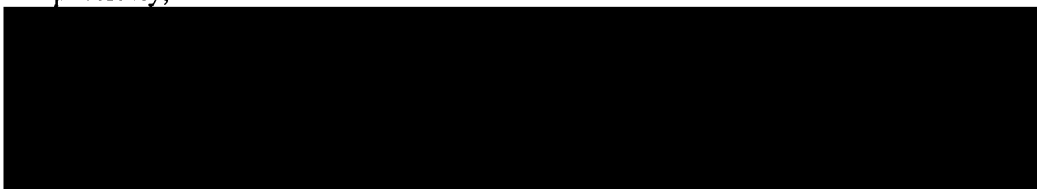
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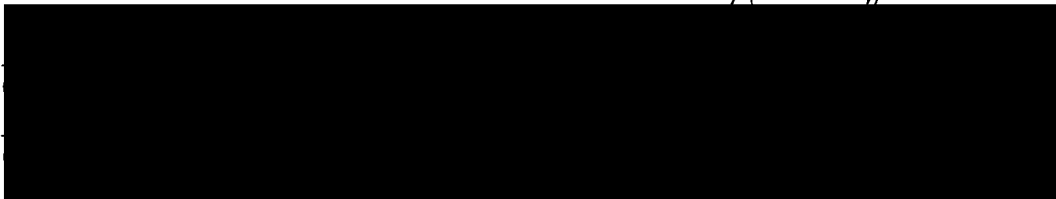
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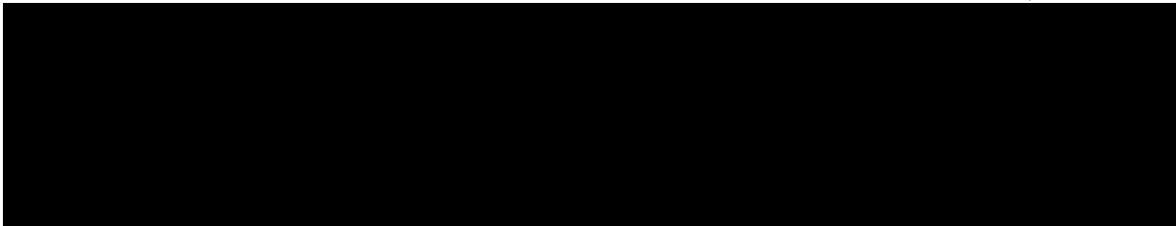
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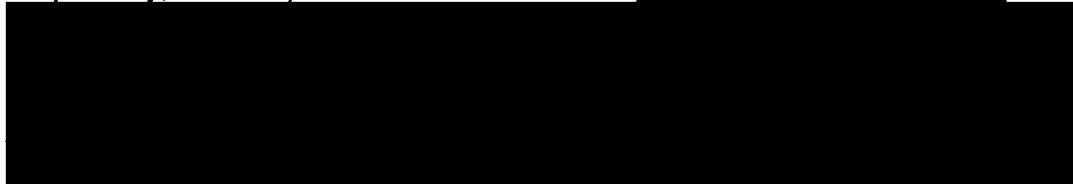
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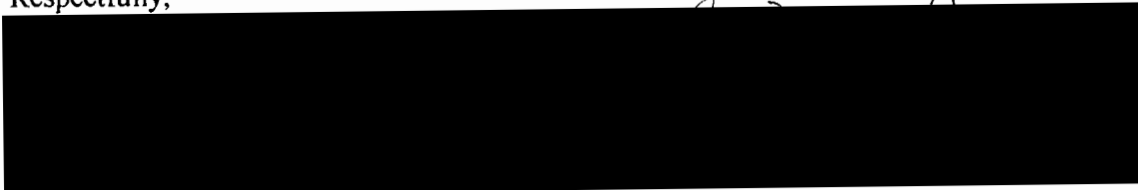
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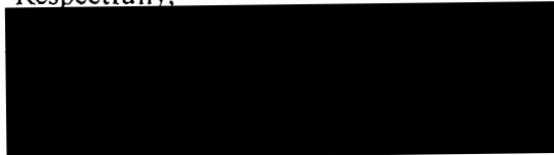
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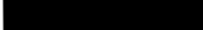
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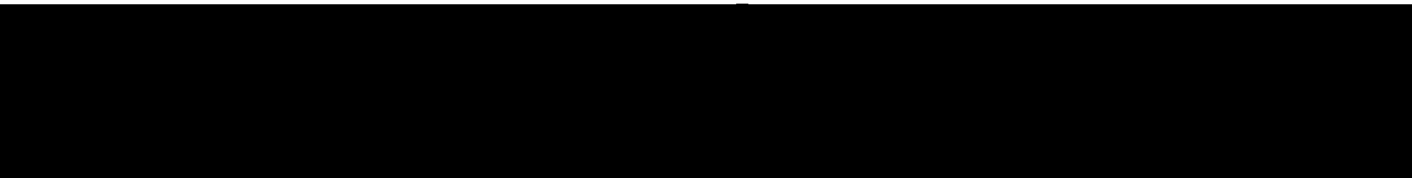
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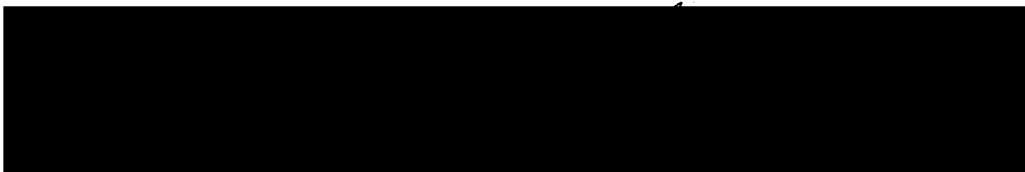
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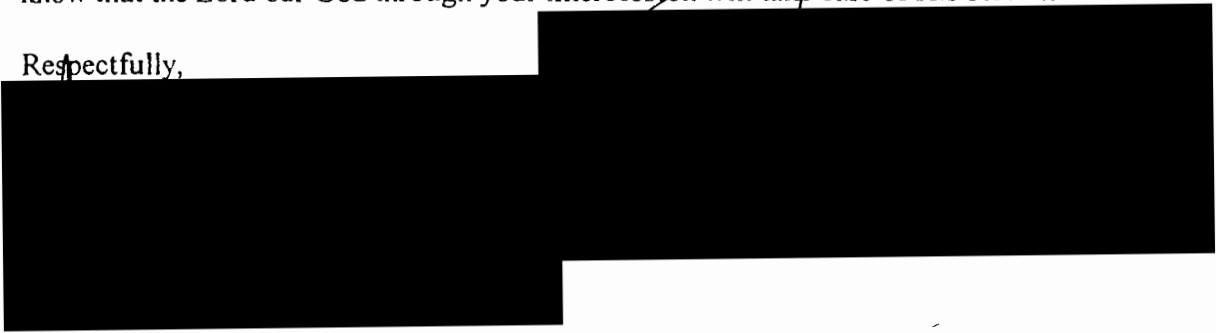
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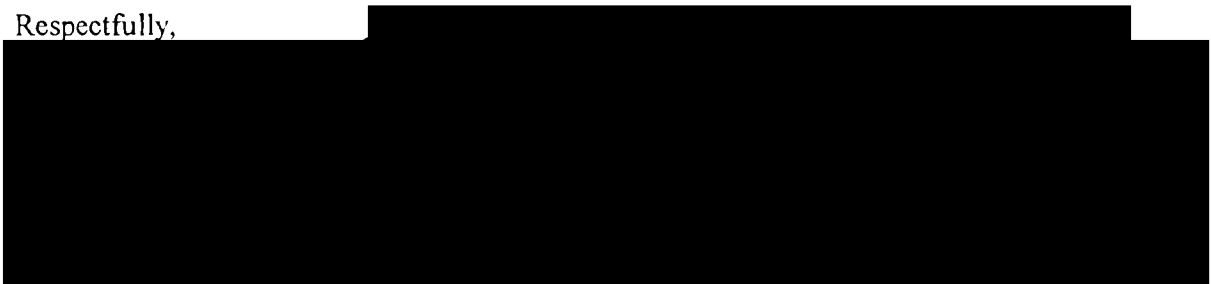
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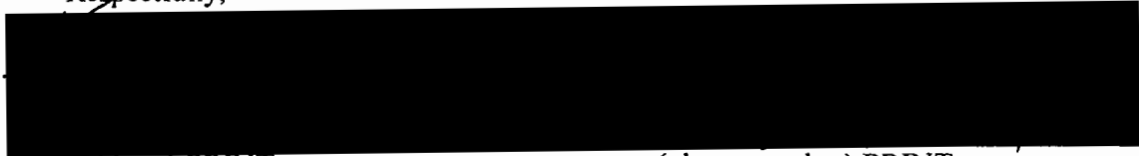
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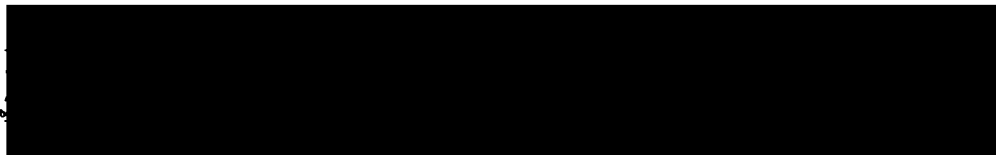
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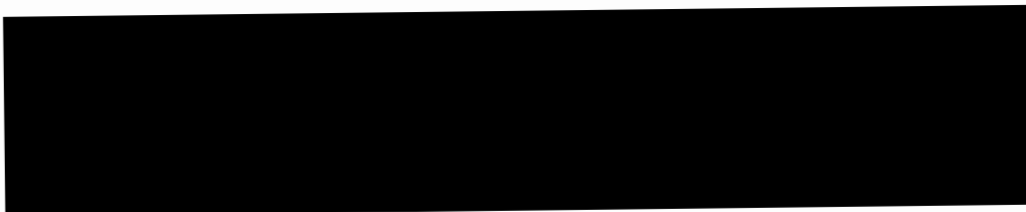
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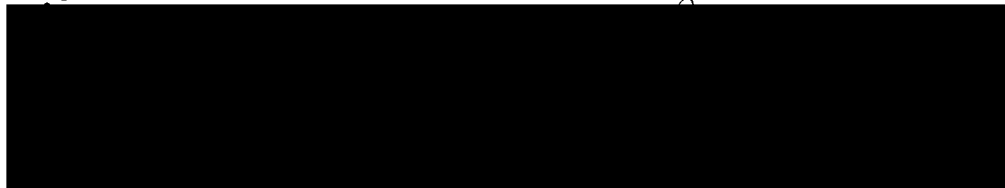
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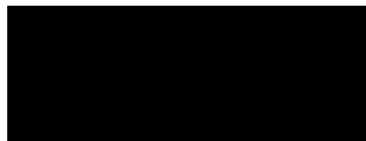
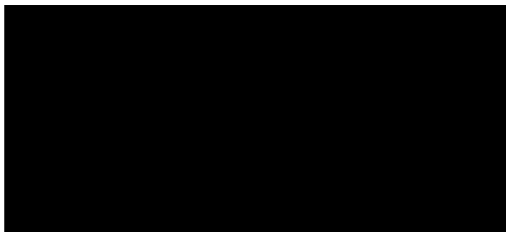
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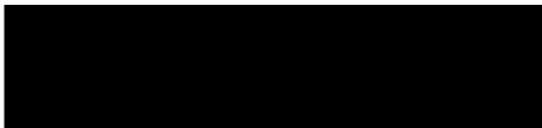
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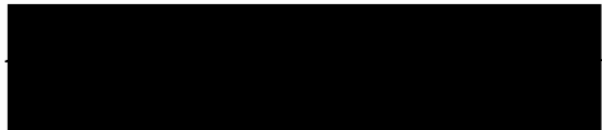
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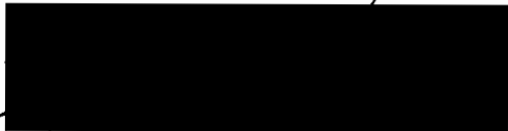
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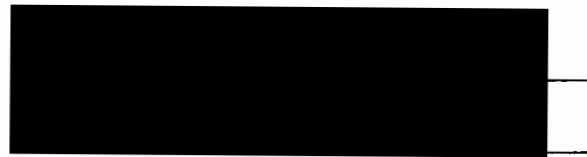
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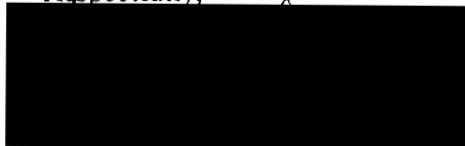
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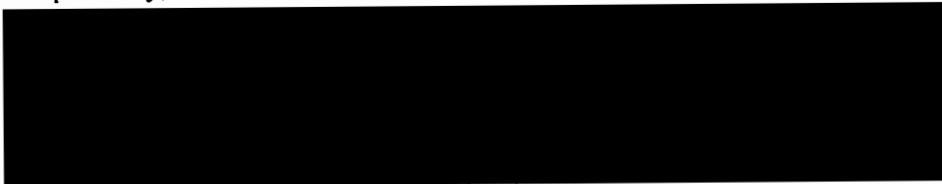
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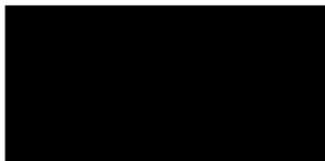
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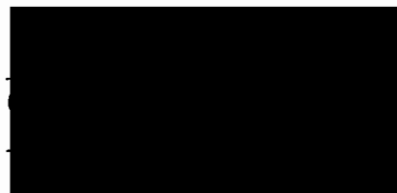
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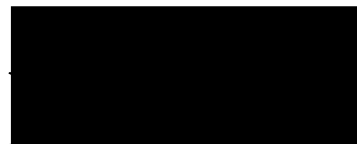
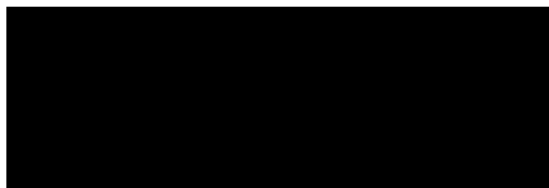
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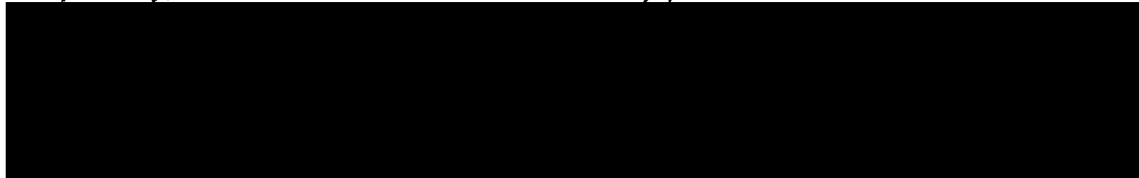
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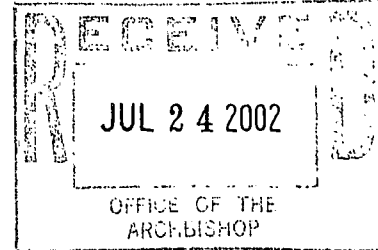


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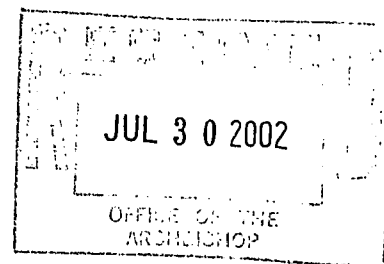
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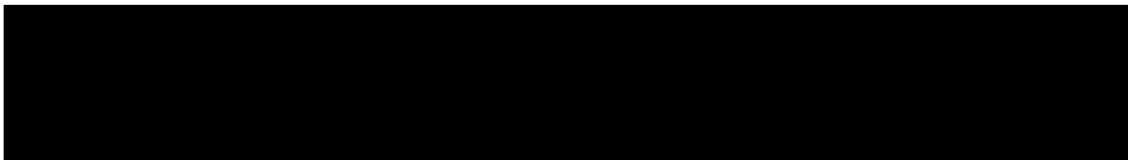
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Respectfully,



*Holy Angels Church
607 East Oakwood Boulevard
Chicago, Illinois 60637*

July 14, 2002

Archdiocese of Chicago
P.O. Box 1979
Chicago, IL 60690
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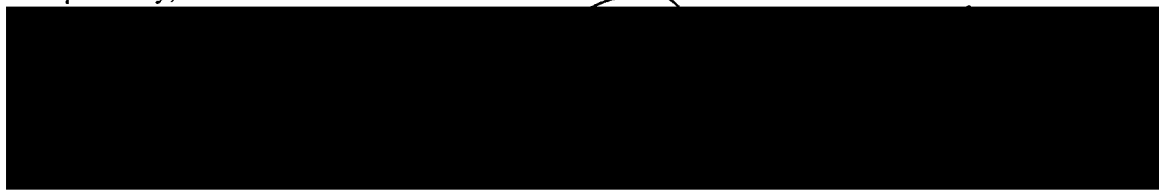
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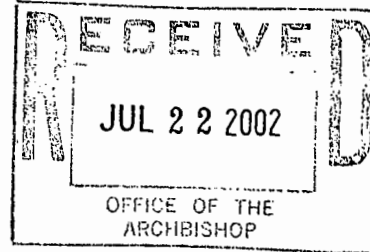
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July 18, 2002

Francis Cardinal George
Archdiocese of Chicago
P.O. Box 1979
Chicago IL. 60690-1979

Your Excellency,

I am a parishioner of Holy Angels Church. I am also a single mother of two sons, ages 10 and 12. This letter is to express my support of our pastor, Reverend John Calicott.

I am greatly concerned with the future of our young African American men, such as my sons, who do not have a father in the home. They do however have strong male role models in our extended family and church. The presence of an African American priest such as Father Calicott is vitally important to the spiritual development of the young brothers in our church.

I can honestly say that I have never seen or heard Fr. Calicott do anything to cause me the least concern. He always has a strong firm word to guide or a word of encouragement when needed. He doesn't hesitate to bless a job well done.

We all make mistakes at sometime in our lives. We would like our pastor to be perfect, but as I am sure you will agree that the only perfect member of our church is Jesus Christ.

I am confident that Fr. John. does not pose a threat to our children. I would never allow my sons around anyone who did. I honestly feel that you will do considerable harm by removing Fr Calicott and alienating so many of our youth that depend on his guidance. The Church needs to have rules, but what good are they when the rules hurt the very children we are trying to protect.

Please allow Reverend John Calicott to remain as Pastor of Holy Angels church.
May God's Grace be with you and guide you in your decision

Respectfully,



MEMO

To: File
From: Jim Kaczorowski
Date: July 19, 2002
Re: John Calicott

At the convocation in June, I informed John Calicott that because of the Dallas charter the Cardinal is temporarily removing him from public ministry with the possibility of permanent removal.

I shared with him that he has the canonical right to appeal to Rome. However, if he has indeed abused a minor, he should refrain from appealing. I shared a list of canon lawyers with him and advised that it may be helpful for him to also have a civil lawyer.

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Memorandum

To: File -PFR-13

From: Laura A. Neri-Palomino, Administrative Assistant

Re: Rev. John Calicott

Date: July 23, 2002

The following salary is effective July 1, 2002:

Rev. John Calicott ordained in 1964

- Pay Father Calicott - \$21,100.00 annually
- Less 10% for PFR expenses (\$2,110.) = \$18,990.00
- \$18,990.00 divided by 12 months = **\$1,583.00 per month**

Cc: Rev. John Calicott
Vicar for Priests ✓

AOC 011217

07-19-02.

Dear Cardinal Francis George

I am a practicing convert of the Roman Catholic Church. I love my faith. I am affiliated with Holy Angels Church for twenty years. My love for the faith has not been marred by the presence of Father Callicott. Because of his faith and leadership, my faith has grown.

His honor was questioned in 1994. His accusation came to the church and denied the sexual account. Fr John [redacted] and served a period of time for child molestation. He was released and returned to Holy Angels under supervision.

Father John has proved to all at Holy Angels to be worthy of our love and trust.

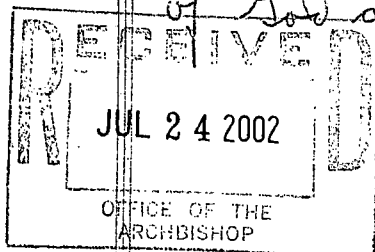
Parishioners cannot understand why his Honor has to be questioned again after he has survived the trial by fire.

I feel after much prayer that Fr John is being used as the sacrificial lamb. He is innocent of the charges and should be given justice.

This time the test should be fair and decisive enough to free him forever so he can be about the business of saving souls. He is truly a servant of God and will not be found unworthy.

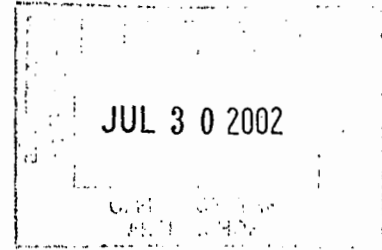
Sincerely

A. lover of Jesus



[REDACTED]

His Eminence, Cardinal Francis George
Archdiocese of Chicago
Post Office Box 1979
Chicago, IL 60690



July 29, 2002

Your Eminence,

As preparations for a Juneteenth event at which Father John Calicott was scheduled to give the opening prayer neared, I was shocked to learn that Father John would fall victim to the one-strike policy of a document on clergy sexual abuse formulated at the conference of United States Catholic Bishops in Dallas. I heard with disbelief the news that a priest that I had come to admire for his activism, for his willingness to act out the gospel, would be removed from his parish. I sought to discover why Father John had been accused of sexual abuse and came to the conclusion that he had been falsely accused. My conclusion was based on the following two pieces of information. First, the Deacon of Holy Angels, Dexter Watson, who I grew to know and trust through my anti-racism work within the church, believed that Father John was innocent. Second, Father Bob Miller, the Co-Pastor of Holy Angels who was placed in his post to monitor Father John, stated that Father John was innocent.

I met Father John Calicott earlier this year in the basement of Holy Angels while setting up for a public meeting of Ida B. Wells residents. I knew that Father John had been one of the few religious leaders in the area to question the displacement of public housing families as the Wells homes, located in the rapidly appreciating neighborhood of Bronzeville, are redeveloped. Father John had lent both his voice and active support on many occasions to Wells residents who were brave enough to speak up against the current redevelopment plans for their community. That night, Father John was once again opening his church for a meeting, lending the church's sound system, and opening the meeting with a prayer.

Though a "cradle Catholic," I had been struggling to find my place within the Catholic Church. In Chicago, it seemed as if too many Catholic priests were silent on the two tough issues that fill me with the passion that fuels my fight for social justice; racism, particularly racism within the Catholic church, and the treatment of public housing residents in our city. Father John is a priest who is willing to tackle many tough issues, including racism and public housing. That night, as we prepared for the 100 Wells residents who would flock to the church to attend the meeting, I thanked him for helping renew my faith in Catholic priests.

Your Eminence, I would urge you to look at past cases of sexual misconduct among priests on a case by case basis to determine whether or not the priest was falsely accused before removing them from their parishes and/or ministries. I would also urge you to reinstate Father John as the Pastor of Holy Angels. Holy Angels is a beautiful place. Last month, drawn by Father John and a thirst for a spirit-filled and welcoming Church community, my husband and I left our neighborhood church, St. Thomas the Apostle, and began to attend mass at Holy Angels. We will soon be officially joining Holy Angels and we look forward to the day when we can listen to Father John's homilies.

Sincerely, [Signature]

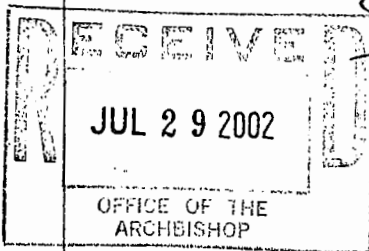
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Cardinal Francis George,

Hello, my name is [REDACTED].
Sorry this letter isn't typed. I don't have access to a computer right now. I'm writing you to speak a little on how Rev. John W. Calicott (Fr. John) has made a huge impact on my life. I met Fr. John in 1993 when I joined the Scouts 484. I was a good guy going bad. I left [REDACTED] to come to Chicago and stay with my Uncle. He automatically enrolled me in troop 484. Once I got a chance to sit and talk with Fr. John he set me free mentally, and spiritually. I saw no future for myself. He saw leadership within me. He trusted me enough to give me responsibility to lead the troop as Senior Patrol Leader. Fr. John has given me the confidence and taught me how to have self-assurance. I'm currently in [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] all because of Fr. John. He always told me to face my fears and no obstacle to try to conquer it. Only if I could speak the words to you the way he does to me. I personally feel that Fr. John's future should not be taken because of his past.

Sincerely





July 30, 2002

AUG - 5 2002

His Eminence Francis Cardinal George
Archbishop of Chicago
1555 North State Parkway
Chicago, IL 60610

Your Eminence:

I am a member of Holy Angels Catholic Church.
I have been a Catholic for over 41 years.
I am writing in defense of the injustice being afflicted on Fr. John Calicott.

The Chicago news media has suspiciously picked Fr. John as the focus point of sexual abuse in the Church. His picture in the Chicago Sun Times with the caption, stating he was guilty was erroneous and obscene. Fr. John's situation as you must know is unique, he has been "sacrificed on the altar of ecclesiastical expediency and media pressure".

I don't understand why you have not step up in his defense, you must know the true story. He has not sexual abused anyone. He has stated this and I believed him, because of the man he is. Recently, I read a editorial written by Fr. Bob on justice for Fr. John and at that time I knew my faith in him had not been in vain. I cannot understand why the Church is persecuting him and our parish.

In fairness, and Christian humility this man should vindicated, he is the victim.

Fr. John Calicott must be return to our parish, we need him, and I need this to happen to restore my faith in the Catholic Church.

Yours in Christ,



AOC 011221

JUL 30 2002

[REDACTED]
July 25, 2002

Francis Cardinal George
Archbishop of Chicago
1555 North State Parkway
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Cardinal George,

I understand that Father John Calicott is to reside at Mundelein because of the Canon Law addressing the " Good" of the community.

In 1994 Father John was [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Who established the fact that Father "Is not "a threat to children.

I am a retired school teacher , Girl Scout troop leader, and a mother of two . I have many years of experience with children ,and people who work with them. You cannot deceive a child when you are insincere. Under the guidance of Father John , my son is the man he is today. Father was his pastor, confidant, leader ,dad, and friend. These are the roles that Father took very seriously. You should see him when he is around his scouts. Especially when they are trying new adventures or earning a merit badge.

All the children of Holy Angels love and respect Father John. The reason for this is because they know by his actions that their love is greatly returned. I think of all the things Father might have missed the most were the children while he was away. Their songs ,their laughter, and the drawings that a teacher would drop off at the rectory after school.

Our children are hurting. They don't understand. Parents can't help them understand because they don't understand themselves.

AOC 011222

The "Dallas Document" goes against all that we have been taught to believe in. The bible , church, and even the Constitution of the United States.

You need to come to Holy Angels , and talk to our children .Ask them how they feel about Father John. Do they feel threaten in any way by him.

The Mass on Father's Day was also Men's Day. It almost broke my heart to see how distraught our young men (and many of the older ones too) crying and the anger on their faces. My son is twenty. I had not seen him cry since he was nine years old. That Sunday he cried and was so angry. He was ready to do bodily harm to someone . He has not been to church since.

Right now I feel Father is in limbo. Waiting until decisions are made. Decisions that might be years in coming. The Dallas Document has not been approved by Rome. Even I, know that certain Canon Laws must be follow when one is removing a pastor.

When you are going through tough times you need your family and friends. We at Holy Angels are Father's family. He needs us now. Why can't he live at the rectory until this matter is settled. How much suffering should one person take when he is innocent. You've taken his heart (which is his ministry),now you're also taking away his family.

Did you know many of us met Father's supposed accuser. He came to Holy Angels. He stated that the Review Board twisted what he said. He recanted his story . He stated that nothing happened. It sounds like your Board didn't do a through investigation and according to the Policy, it should have been done first.

Jesus was innocent when they crucified him . The Church can give justice to this innocent man.

Sincerely,

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ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO

Office of the Archbishop



155 E. Superior St.
Chicago, Illinois 60611

August 2, 2002

Rev. John Calicott
c/o Cardinal Stritch Retreat House
P.O. Box 455
Mundelein, IL 60060

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Dear John:

I received your letter of July 10 in which you asked me to reconsider my request to have you live at the Cardinal Stritch Retreat House and allow you to remain in residence at Holy Angels Parish.

I appreciate your compliance with my request not to engage in public ministry and not to wear clerical garb. However, I must also insist that you comply with my other directive that you move your residence to the Cardinal Stritch Retreat House. I understand the hardship this presents for you. I hope you also understand that I must comply with the Norms which were ratified by the Conference of Bishops in Dallas and which I established as policies for the Archdiocese of Chicago.

In again repeating my directive, I also want to acknowledge your right to pursue recourse against this decision. Such recourse can be made to the Congregation for the Clergy or the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith within fifteen days. You can send the letter requesting recourse to me, in which case I will forward it to the Holy See. Or you can send the letter directly to the Holy See yourself.

John, I am sorry I cannot comply with your request. I again ask you to do this for the good of the Church and in virtue of your promise of obedience.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Francis Cardinal George".

Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I.
Archbishop of Chicago

cc: Mr. Jimmy Lago, Chancellor
Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests
Rev. Kevin Vann, Diocese of Springfield

AOC 011224

cc: *Lupe*

POSTED
8/21/02

**ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO
PAYROLL AUTHORIZATION/CHANGE FORM/PAYROLL SET UP**

ARCHDIOCESE PRIESTS

Calicott, John _____ Social Security Number _____ Employee Number *200263*

Active F/T _____ Active P/T _____ Active P/T Benefits _____ Position _____

Ordination Date *1974* Transfer to P.C. _____ Date Transfer from Agency/Parish/School# _____

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Location Location

Termination/Resignation/Date _____ Reason _____

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Chancellor/Date _____ *Carol Jankewicz 8/21/02*
Director, Personnel Services/Date _____

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John

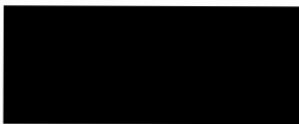
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Office of the Cardinal



Post Office Box 1979
Chicago, Illinois 60690-1979

August 21, 2002



*NOT Sent
general letter about
for James White*

Dear [Redacted],

Thank you for sending me your yellow ribbon and your button in support of Father Calicott. I'm glad that you are keeping him in your prayers, as the process moves forward.

I wish that some support had been more public before the Dallas meeting in favor of a more nuanced policy than the one that the bishops passed. Since it is a national policy, I have to enforce it in the Archdiocese of Chicago. But it also permits the kind of appeal that Father Calicott is now going through patiently and carefully. Frankly, I find it hard to read your statement about, "an innocent priest caught up once again in the injustice of the Archdiocese of Chicago." I think that is an unjust statement in itself. Father Calicott admitted to some sexual abuse of minors many years ago, and we can not rewrite history now. What is at issue is what the response to that misconduct should be. With him, I believe he is not a threat to minors. Also, with him, I hope that there is some form of ministry available to him in the future. At the same time, the victims' groups point out that a collar is a passport to many people's lives, and we have to do everything we can to be sure that children are not in any kind of risk.

You and others may say, "no" to the Dallas document, but it is a little late for that kind of protest. However, I share your desires, and I hope that things will move along according to God's will for all of us. Thank you for your life of faith. Please keep me in your prayers; you and those you love are in mine.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I.
Archbishop of Chicago

Salary change only

ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO PAYROLL AUTHORIZATION/CHANGE FORM/PAYROLL SET UP

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Calicatt, John Last Name, First, Middle Initial [REDACTED] Social Security Number 200263 Employee Number

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Dept. Name Personnel Services No. 10350 Agency Interim Salaries No. 10359

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Chancellor/Date _____ Director, Personnel Services/Date CA 8/27/02

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Linda changed position to Pastor Resident

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MEMO

To: Linda Burns
Sr. Mary Ann Zrust

From: Sr. Jo Anne Murphy *JAM*
Date: September 11, 2002
Re: Request for new Status Code for Diocesan Priests
CC: Carol Fowler, Fred van den Hende

Carol Fowler and I reviewed your request in light of the codes currently in the Lawson system. We have decided to CHANGE the status code to NS, effective July 1, 2002, for the following diocesan priests: Revs. Daniel Buck, John Calicott, Robert Kealy, John Keehan, Donald Musloff, James Ray, [REDACTED] and [REDACTED].

These are the factors involved in the decision at this time. If any of these changes, contact Carol or myself to reevaluate the situation at that time.

1. None of these men are actively pursuing leaving the Archdiocese therefore we cannot use any of the Leave terminology. None of them is canonically suspended, so we cannot use the Suspension terminology.
2. All of them will be paid through the Pastoral Center Interim Salaries account. Their benefits will not change. So, there are no distinctions in handling their accounts from the handling of any other priests in the Interim Salaries account.
3. They are NOT to get Celebret cards. But this is ultimately a manual process handled by the Chancellor's office in conjunction with the Vicar for Priests.
4. Their names and address WILL appear in the Archdiocesan directory as long as they have not resigned from ministry. They WILL continue to receive all communications designated for Chicago diocesan priests.
5. They should NOT be tallied in parish counts. Even those that are pastors are not to be counted as parish ministers. I will check with HR and IT to make sure this is accurate.
6. Three currently have the title pastor. For these three men, their position as pastor will remain on the Lawson system until some official notice states otherwise. However, the mail for their respective parishes must go to the parish in the name of the parish administrator. This will be accommodated via the Levels system.

Your offices will be maintaining communication with these priests directly and will be aware of changes in their status with the Archdiocese. If any timely issues arise about their statuses and Lawson, we leave the decision in your hands. If I can be of further help, let me know.

Had to correct start date to reflect 8/1 eff. date

12/20 checked record - O.K.

ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO

XA132 PAYROLL AUTHORIZATION/CHANGE FORM/PAYROLL SET UP

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ARCHDIOCESE PRIESTS

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Last Name, First, Middle Initial

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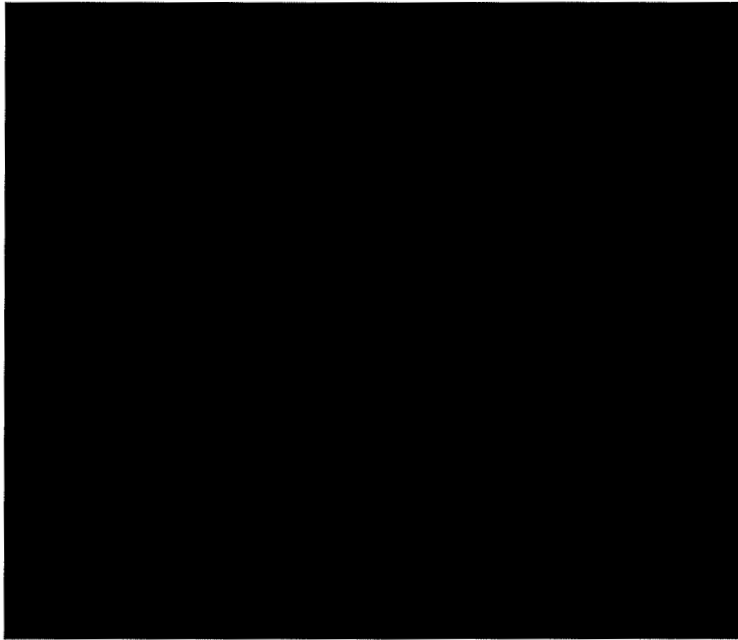
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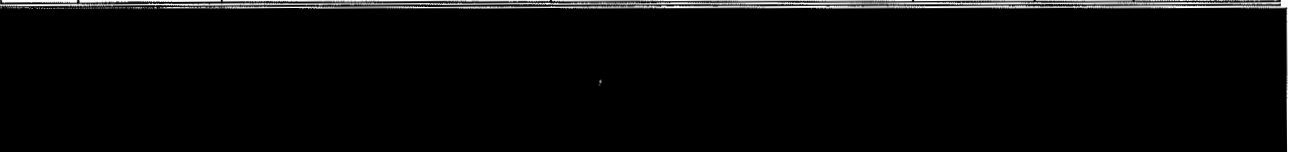
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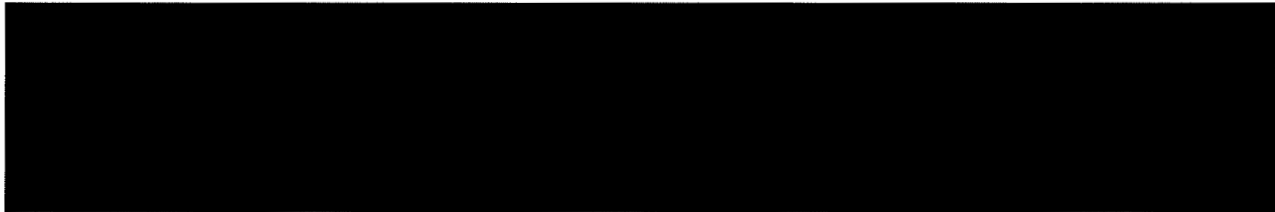
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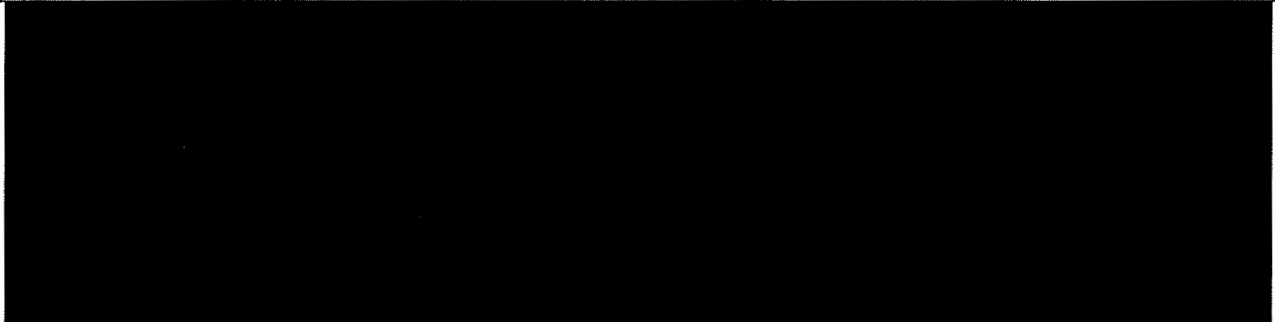


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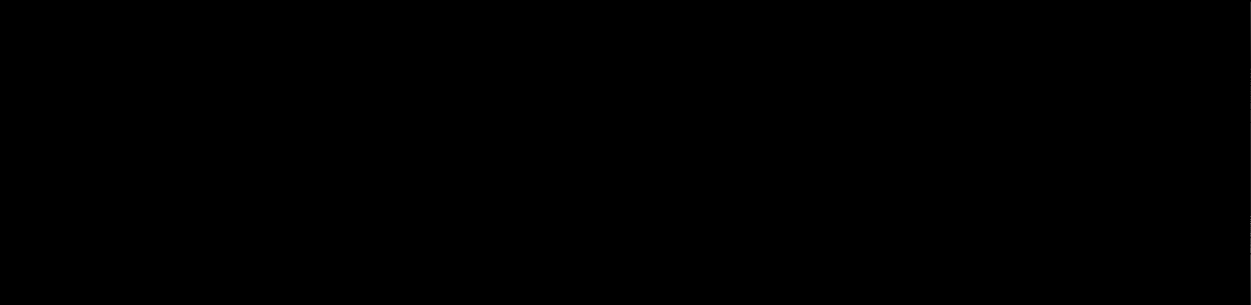
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Church Rallies Behind Its Suspended Pastor



Scott Olson for The New York Times

John Calicott attended Mass yesterday at Holy Angels Church in Chicago. He was pastor there until June.

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By JODI WILGOREN *10/21*

CHICAGO, Oct. 20 — During the Prayer of the Faithful this morning at Holy Angels Church, tucked beside the standard petitions on behalf of Cardinal Francis George and President Bush, was a personal plea for a fallen shepherd.

"For our pastor, Father John Calicott, that the Holy Spirit sustain him in his present darkness," Tony Vales, a parishioner, intoned from the altar. "And that his return to ministry will be much sooner than is currently envisioned."

"Lord," responded the congregation, "hear our prayer."

The members of Holy Angels have been repeating this request every Sunday since June, when their pastor, who long ago admitted sexual misconduct with two 15-year-old boys in 1976, was removed from the parish as part of the American bishops' new zero-tolerance policy on sexual abuse. But the prayer took on new urgency at this morning's Mass, two days after the Vatican announced the policy would have to be reworked to protect the rights of accused priests.

For the choir members who wear "Justice for Father John" pins on their robes — and for Mr. Calicott, who now drives 80 miles every Sunday to sit, in plain clothes, in the back rows at the Mass he used to celebrate — the letter from Rome offers renewed hope. Mr. Calicott, who was an altar boy at this South Side church and grew up in the Ida B. Wells housing project nearby, is one of five ousted priests in the Archdiocese of

Chicago, and several dozen nationwide, who have filed appeals asking the Vatican to reconsider their suspensions.

As Catholics nationwide absorbed the latest developments in the sexual abuse scandal that has beleaguered the church for nearly a year, there was new grief for survivors who had taken comfort in the zero-tolerance

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policy and relief for those who thought the bishops had gone too far.

Though the Survivors Network of those Abused by Priests has previously picketed at Holy Angels, dissenters who do not want Mr. Calicott returned to the ministry were not apparent at today's Mass, where children and adults alike scurried to offer Mr. Calicott a "peace be with you" before Communion.

"Part of what drove me crazy is it really just threw canon law out the window, due process out the window," Mr. Calicott, 55, said this morning before the 9:15 a.m. Mass at Holy Angela, where Cardinal George was visiting to soothe the troubled flock. "People say, why are you fighting? If you're a priest, that call is from God. You don't just walk away from something God wants you to do."

In his homily, Cardinal George was sympathetic to the "difficult period" the parish is going through, but did not hint at whether he believed the priests should be reinstated, saying repeatedly, "God is God and we are not." At a reception after Mass, the cardinal declined to be photographed with Mr. Calicott, who had taken Communion from a priest at the back of the church, near his seat, rather than approach the prelate at the altar.

For the people of Holy Angels, a soulful African-American church where gospel accents are layered through the liturgy, the loss of Father John, as he is universally known, is the latest in a litany of sorrows. Their 89-year-old church building burned to the ground in 1986, leaving the congregation to meet in a gymnasium for five years. The Rev.

Paul Smith, longtime principal of the parish school — believed to be the nation's largest black Catholic school — was murdered in 1996 after being partially paralyzed in a car accident. Mr. Calicott himself was suspended for 18 months

after the allegations came to light in 1994.

"Unfortunately, Holy Angels is a church that has seen a disproportionate number of tragedies," said Monica Lewers, a management consultant who acts as a spokeswoman for the parish. "We're of course angry, we're of course prayerful, but we are a family. Just like anything that happens in a family, we're sticking together to get through it."

At St. Mary's Church in Buffalo Grove, a Chicago suburb, where the Rev. Daniel Buck is appealing his recent removal, parishioners echoed the support for the Vatican's call for fine-tuning. "I think it was ridiculous to remove priests without a trial," Mary Ann Garcia, 67, said after Mass this morning. "We don't do that in the United States."

But Ms. Garcia, and others, said they cannot imagine Mr. Buck, who had been at St. Mary's for just a year, returning to their pulpit. "His reputation has been destroyed here," she said.

Not so at Holy Angels, where Mr. Calicott is beloved as a favorite son, as much for his connection to the impoverished community surrounding the church as for his spiritual guidance within its graffiti-scarred walls.

The choir still sings the pastor's favorite hymn, "I will trust in the Lord," its second verse, "We're going to stay on the battlefield," now laden with more meaning. Arthur Reliford Sr. said Mr. Calicott, whom he has known since they were both in school at Holy Angels, recently visited him to help mediate a dispute among parishioners, "just like a pastor."

"In our hearts," said Mr. Reliford's wife, Carol, "he will always be the leader of this church and of this parish."

Banished from administering sacraments, wearing the Roman collar or calling himself "Father," Mr. Calicott has spent the last several months living at a seminary in Mundelein, Ill., filling the hours with Internet genealogy research (he has traced his family tree back to the Civil War). What hurts most, he said, is not being able to perform funerals for friends — and having people tell him they will not baptize their babies without him.

He returns here each Sunday, quietly unzipping his Bible from its



Photographs by Scott Olson for The New York Times

Cardinal Francis George spoke yesterday at Mass at the Holy Angels Church in Chicago. The church has faced a "difficult period," he said.



A badge worn by some parishioners supporting John Calicott.

leather case, singing along with the choir and raising his hands in prayer as someone else pours the wine, distributes the wafers and preaches the word.

"What I want is to get back to my ministry," said Mr. Calicott, who wore a gray sweater that matched his salty goatee. "I think I'm a good minister."

Without providing details, Mr. Calicott acknowledged that "there was inappropriate behavior" with the teenagers in 1976, shortly after his ordination, adding, "for that I have apologized."

His return to the parish in 1995 was contingent on [redacted] and a promise that he would never be alone with children.

Today, Mr. Calicott emphasized

that his situation was distinct from those of serial pedophiles like the defrocked John J. Geoghan in Boston, and said the retroactive zero-tolerance policy was akin to tightening restrictions on drunken driving, then stripping generations of their licenses.

"There is intellectual dishonesty in taking today's standards and looking 20, 30, 40 years ago," he said. "Realistically, human beings make mistakes. Just throwing people away doesn't make sense, and doesn't protect children."

Outside, on the parish billboard sandwiched between the Mass schedule and a greeting for the cardinal was the Holy Angels mantra: "Justice for Fr. John."

Lago, Jimmy

From: Sheridan, Thomas H.
Sent: Thursday, October 31, 2002 8:19 AM
To: Lago, Jimmy
Subject: RE: directory rules

Thanks. But ask him if we have to PUBLISH the canonical status? Are you having fun yet? ths

-----Original Message-----

From: Lago, Jimmy
Sent: Thursday, October 31, 2002 8:12 AM
To: Sheridan, Thomas H.
Subject: RE: directory rules

I am seeing Bp. Goedert this am. I will ask him. I think that (unfortunately) until these removals are made permanent, we will probably have to keep them in their last official canonical status. Unless, of course, like Fr. Kealy, they have resigned their pastorates, etc. But I will confirm this with Bp. Goedert. jml

-----Original Message-----

From: Sheridan, Thomas H.
Sent: Thursday, October 31, 2002 7:50 AM
To: Lago, Jimmy
Cc: Vodak, James
Subject: directory rules

JIMMY:

As you know, Cardinal George passed along to both of us the USCCB guidelines for listing priests accused of sexual misconduct in both the Kenedy and diocesan directories.

While I recognize this is still a moving target and that there may yet be some adjustments in that policy as a result of the just-completed Vatican meetings, I wanted to alert you to a situation that developed here yesterday as we finalize directory information.

Holy Angels Parish (Calicott) was among the parishes from which the VACs were asked to help get responses. As a result of VAC follow-up, we received a fax from Father Miller, the administrator. In it, he penciled Calicott's name as pastor. I confirmed with Miller by phone that it was indeed his intention to do that (and not an overly supportive Holy Angels' staff member).

Miller said he did it because, no matter Calicott's ministerial status, he remains canonically pastor, and will until laization. Miller accepted that we (the archdiocese) could "do what we wanted" with the list, but said that until the pastorate is vacated, Calicott is still in the post. And as we both know, Calicott is fighting (appealing).

It turns out we had also received from Bishop Perry's office the right listing for Holy Angels (sans Calicott). But, as I'm certain you already know, the canonical question must be addressed in the publication of the directories. Calicott isn't the only one in this situation.

So I present this to you as an update and in an effort to make certain we get the appropriate decision as soon as it's available. Time is fleeting if we are to avoid further delays.

I know this is just one more pressing matter on a plate already overflowing. But thanks for any guidance.

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Office of Professional Responsibility

PFR-13 - John Calicott

July 1, 2003 to December 31, 2003

Monthly Schedule

Dates/Times	Event (Therapy, Spiritual Direction, Vacation, etc.) Where, When, How Long	Therapist, Spiritual Leader, Doctor, Monitor, etc. (Include names)
March 26, 2003	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]

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MEMORANDUM

DATE: FEBRUARY 10, 2003
TO: REVEREND PATRICK LAGGES
FROM: BISHOP RAYMOND GOEDERT
RE: REVEREND JOHN CALICOTT

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Raymond Goedert", written over the "FROM:" line of the memorandum.

Enclosed is the letter of January 22, 2003 (N. 309/02-16397) from Cardinal Ratzinger. John Calicott has had recourse to the Congregation for the Doctrine of Faith from the administrative decree of June 25, 2002, issued by Cardinal George.

Cardinal George requests that you forward to C.D.F. all the appropriate documentation relative to this case.

AOC 011237

B. Bishop Perry Agenda PRAYER 10:15 – 11:30

1. Priests:

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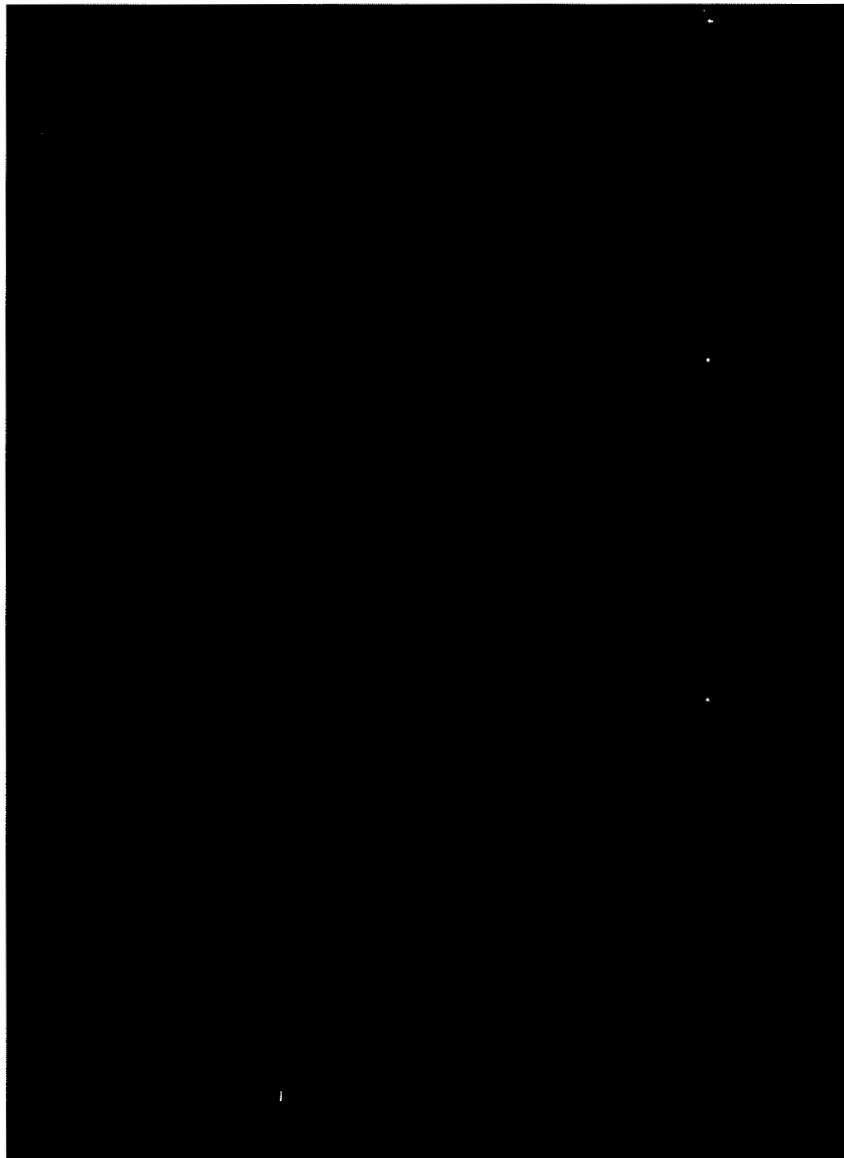
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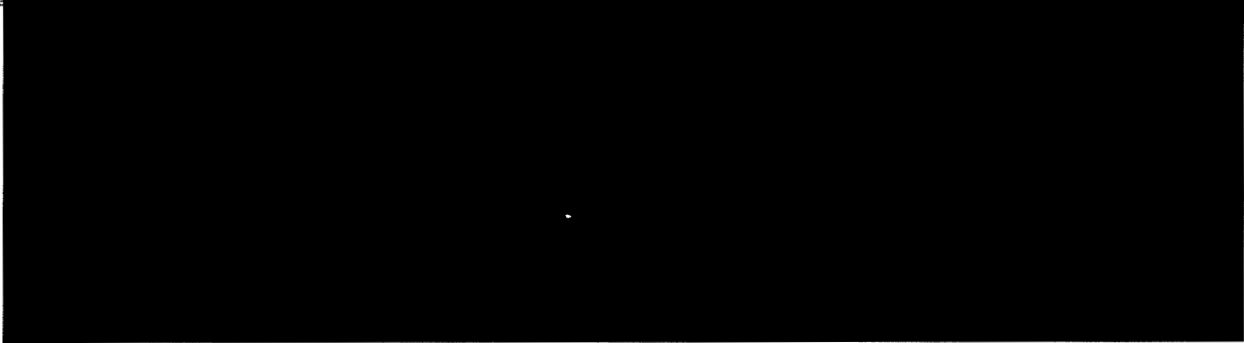


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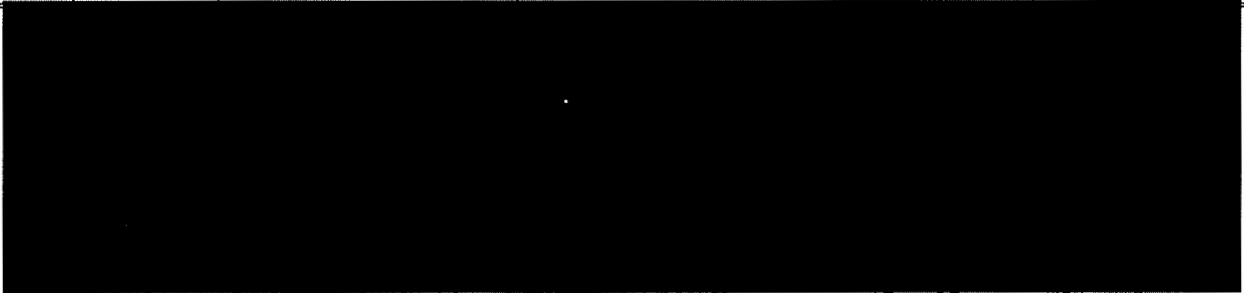
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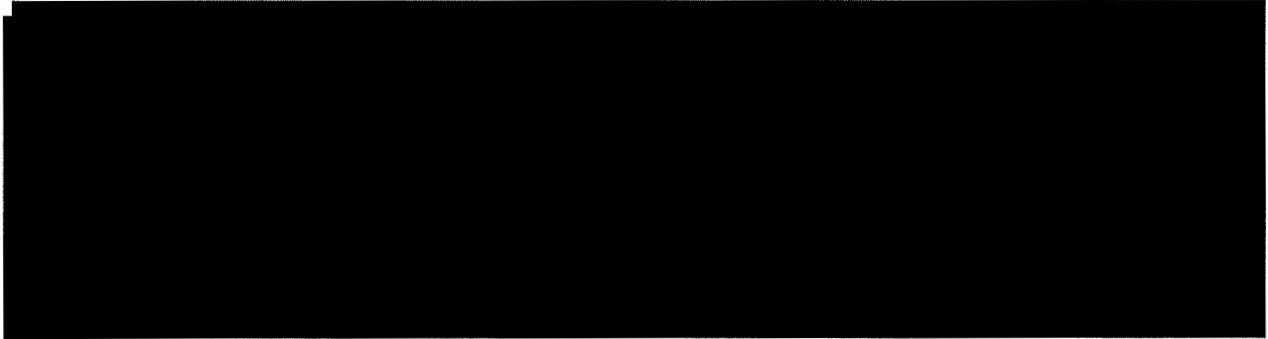
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B. Bishop Perry Agenda

1. Priests:

a) John Calicott '74: John will continue as pastor until after deliberations. Fr. Anselm Lawani could be administrator if Robert Miller '76 gets a parish.

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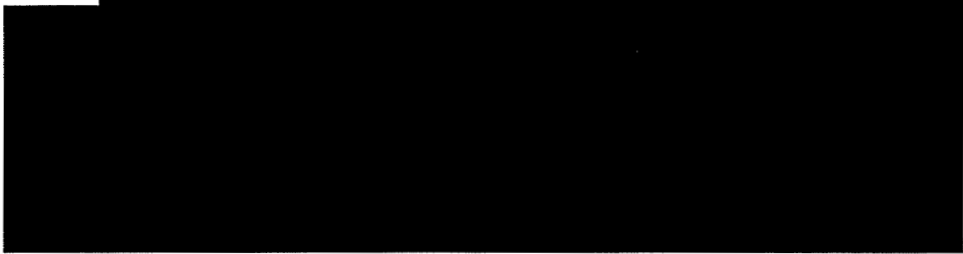
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h) Anthony Vader '52: Tony was removed last weekend. It is very difficult because John Calicott was from the same parish.

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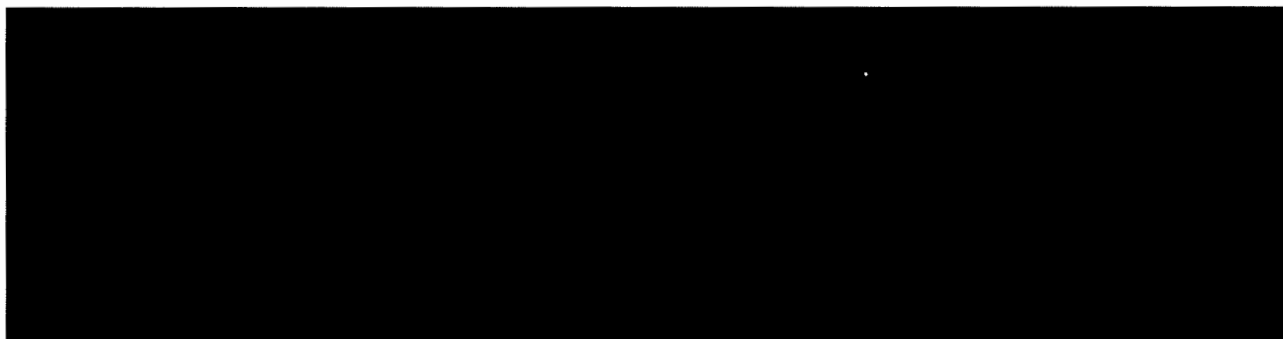
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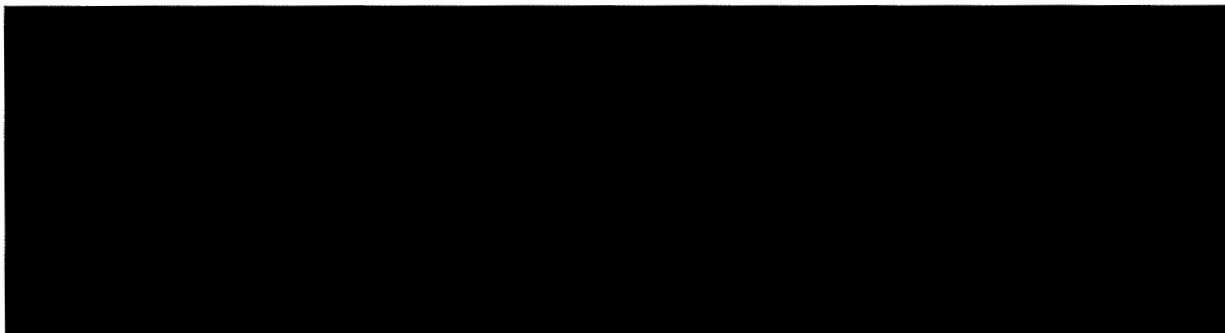
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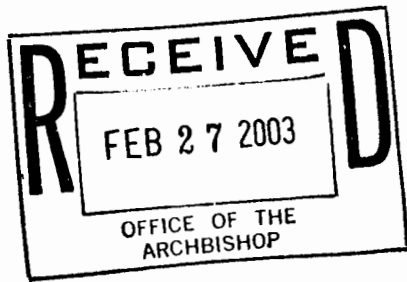
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HOLY ANGELS CATHOLIC CHURCH
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Reverend Father John W. Calicott, Pastor
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26 February 2003

His Eminence Francis Cardinal George
1555 N. State Parkway
Chicago, Illinois 60610

Your Eminence,

Peace.

After many months, I feel compelled to write you once again to respectfully but vigorously and firmly request that I be returned to active ministry.

Might I remind Your Eminence that:

- There was no canonical due process used to remove me from ministry.
- I am *de facto* being punished twice for the same allegations. Although there was no juridical process, I, *de facto*, was punished for the allegations when they were first made in 1994 by being removed from my parish for over a year, by being compelled to [REDACTED] and by having my reputation unfairly and unjustly sullied. Having been returned to my parish and painstakingly rebuilding my reputation, now, years later, I am again being punished, *de facto*, for the same allegations by being again removed from my parish and, once again, having my reputation greatly tarnished. By way of basic, core, generic human rights, how can such treatment be considered fair and just?
- [REDACTED] have clearly articulated the fact that I am not a risk to children.
- The allegations are prescribed. This is true for the current Code of Canon Law and for the Code of Canon Law, as it existed when the allegations were made. A removal of the prescription would seem, to me, only to perpetuate an injustice. While it is true that I would be able to share with a Church tribunal internal forum issues by way of my defense, I still do not see how one can possibly fairly defend one's self against an allegation about something purported to have happen almost thirty years ago.

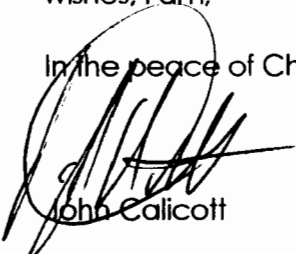
Francis Cardinal George, p.2, 26 February 2003

- I should think that the fact that I was able to rebuild my reputation after both the national and international coverage of my initial removal from Holy Angels Parish in 1994 and subsequent return in 1995 would say at least something about my moral comportment and fitness for ministry.

Your Eminence, I implore you, as my bishop, to both honor and defend my canonical and human rights and, thereby, return me to active ministry as pastor of Holy Angels Church so that I may continue to serve our Lord and His Church as I have been blessed to do for so many years.

Assuring you of my prayers as you shepherd our local Church and with cordial best wishes, I am,

In the peace of Christ,



John Calicott

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MEMORANDUM

DATE: MARCH 3, 2003
TO: REVEREND PATRICK LAGGES
FROM: BISHOP RAYMOND GOEDERT
RE: REVEREND JOHN CALICOTT

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "R. Goedert", written over the "FROM:" line of the memorandum.

Enclosed is the letter of February 26, 2003 which Cardinal George received from Father Calicott. I would appreciate your drafting an appropriate response for the Cardinal's signature, unless you think it more advisable that you reply in your own name. Thanks, Pat!

cc: Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I.

AOC 011244

ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO

Office of the Archbishop



155 E. Superior St.
Chicago, Illinois 60611

March 14, 2003

Rev. John W. Calicott
Cardinal Stritch Retreat House
P.O. Box 455
Mundelein, IL 60060

Dear John:

I realize you must have many questions about what is happening with regard to your situation. I have appreciated your patience and understanding, and I thank you again for agreeing not to exercise ministry while your case is pending. As you know, the Dallas Charter and Norms created a canonical difficulty. They required bishops to act immediately, but Church law prohibited us from taking any action under the Norms until they received the approval of the Holy See. I am very grateful to each of you for cooperating in the implementation of the Charter and Norms, even though that cooperation has taken a toll on you. I am writing the same letter to each of you so that you are clear as to what will be happening next.

The Holy See approved the revised Norms on December 8, 2002, and Bishop Gregory indicated they would go into effect March 1, 2003. I want you to be aware of the implications of this, so that at least you will understand how we will be proceeding in the Archdiocese of Chicago. There are still some aspects of the process that the USCCB Committee on Canonical Affairs is working on, so some part of the process are less clear than others.

In the near future, I will be submitting each of your cases to the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, as required by the Norms that Congregation issued in 2001. At that time, I will ask the Congregation for a dispensation from the statute of limitations so that we are free to conduct a trial according to the Code of Canon Law.

The reason for my request will be that the seriousness and the nature of the matter demand it. The sexual misconduct of clergy has caused great harm to the Church in the United States. Unless the Church appears to be taking these allegations seriously, we will lose the confidence of our faithful people and the Church in the United States will no longer have a credible voice.

Moreover, the nature of sexual abuse is such that those who are abused often repress the memory of these actions for many years. It has taken great courage on the part of many of them to come forward with these accusations. I can assure you that they did not make their decisions easily. Whether these actions took place, who was involved, and other such matters are things that are to be dealt with in a canonical trial. But I do not doubt for a moment the sincerity of those who have claimed to be victimized.

AOC 011245

At the same time I submit the case to the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, I will make formal what up to now has been simply an agreement between you and me. The Essential Norms for the United States require that at this time I issue a decree, in virtue of canon 1722, prohibiting you from exercising sacred ministry and directing where you are to reside.

If the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith dispenses from the statute of limitations and directs me to conduct a trial here in Chicago, I will then submit all the material from your case to Father Bill Woestman, the Promoter of Justice, who will then present a petition to the Metropolitan Tribunal. The petition will ask the Tribunal to decide two issues: Did you commit an act of sexual misconduct, as described in canon 1395? If the answer to that is affirmative, shall the penalty of dismissal from the clerical state be applied to you?

At this point, if you have not already engaged the services of a canonical advocate, you will be required to do so. Your advocate's job is to ensure the protection of your rights and to raise any issues with regard to the above questions.

According to the wishes of the USCCB, the judges for the trial will be chosen from a pool of judges who will be trained in Washington during the last two weeks of February. This will ensure that no Archdiocesan priest will be deciding your case.

The judges will use the information that has been gathered by the Fitness Review Board Administrator, the Vicar for Priests, the Victim Assistance Minister, and your own personnel file. They may also ask for additional information in the case, as they see fit. You or your advocate can also propose other questions to the judges that would assist them in their investigation.

After the judges have collected all the information in the case, you and your advocate will be allowed access to all of the information that the judges will be using in making their decision. You will also be allowed to comment on the information you review, and your advocate will be given an opportunity to present arguments in the case.

At the conclusion of the process, both the Promoter of Justice and you can appeal the decision of the Tribunal. The appeal can be based upon the procedures that were followed during the course of the trial or upon the merits of the decision that was handed down. According to the 2001 Norms of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, these appeals are to be directed to the Supreme Apostolic Tribunal of that Congregation.

I believe that this is the most effective way to ensure that justice is served in the Church. By using our legal system, the rights of all parties are guaranteed and decisions are made on the basis of correct jurisprudence. Regardless of the outcome, the decisions will not only *be* just, but they will also *appear* just in the eyes of our people. This will demonstrate that decisions are not made in an arbitrary manner in the Church, but are made in an orderly and well-reasoned manner.

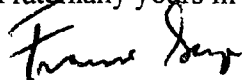
It is for this reason that I will not make any administrative decisions about the disposition of your case. I believe the judicial process will allow you and your advocate to present arguments concerning the substance of the case and the procedures that have been followed. The

judges will then be able to render a decision on this matter which is consistent with our jurisprudence and canonical practice.

I am very much aware of the pain that you have gone through during these months. While this has been personally painful for you, I believe this time has also given our people an opportunity to look at this issue more thoroughly and realize its complexity. Some of the stridency has lessened, and people seem to be reassured that the cases will be handled in a just and equitable manner.

You have been in my prayers each day, and I ask that you continue to keep me in yours.

Fraternally yours in Christ,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Francis George".

Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I.
Archbishop of Chicago

PRIEST PERSONNEL FILE ACCESS REQUEST RECORD

Archdiocese of Chicago

This form documents an individual priest's request for access to his records. It must be filled out completely and signed by all appropriate parties.

TO BE FILLED IN BY AGENCY HOLDING RECORDS

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Record of Agency/Office: VICAR FOR PRIESTS	
Address: P.O. BOX 455	
City/State: MUNDELEIN, IL	Zip: 60060-1174
Phone: 847-566-6085	

Person Requesting File: REV. PATRICK LAGGES	Date of Request: 3/31/03
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Person Authorizing Access: SR. MARY ANN ZRUST	Date Records Accessed:
Signature: Mary Ann Zrust, SCLM	

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Requester's Comments:
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P R E C E P T

Bishops “have been designated by the Holy Spirit to take the place of the apostles as pastors of souls and, together with the Supreme Pontiff and subject to his authority, they are commissioned to perpetuate the work of Christ, the eternal Pastor.” (*Christus dominus*, n.2b) However, since the pastors of the Church can never be expected to carry the burden of pastoral ministry alone (*Lumen gentium*, n. 30), they have been given the order of priests to cooperate in shepherding and guiding God’s people. Indeed, bishops, “because of the gift of the Holy Spirit that has been given to priests at their ordination, will regard them as indispensable helpers and advisers in the ministry and in the task of teaching, sanctifying and shepherding the People of God.” (*Presbyterorum ordinis*, n. 7)

Because of this common task, “bishops are to regard their priests as brothers and friends, and are to take the greatest interest they are capable of in their welfare, both temporal and spiritual. For on their shoulders particularly falls the burden of sanctifying their priests.” (*Presbyterorum ordinis*, n. 7b)

Moreover, the *Directory on the Pastoral Ministry of Bishops* states, “In the same way as Jesus showed his love for his disciples....so also a bishop....can hardly fail to realize that he should show his greatest love and chief concern for priests....Led by a sense of duty and sincere and invincible charity he gives willing assistance in every way to help priests to esteem the loftiness of their priestly vocation, to live serenely, to spread joy to those about them and to fulfill their duties faithfully.” (n. 107a)

This same document urges bishops to do “everything possible to prevent the troubles his priests could have....To keep them safe from trouble he takes prompt and prudent measures.” (n. 112)

The Code of Canon Law has described precepts as a means by which ecclesiastical authority “directly and legitimately enjoins a specific person or persons to do or omit something, especially in order to urge the observance of law” (c. 49).

Therefore, I issue this precept, in accordance with c. 49, to urge **Reverend John Calicott** to fulfill the obligations which were placed upon him at the time of his ordination. Because some suspicion has arisen about his fidelity to the sacred promises he made at his ordination, I urge him in particular to lead a life which is in keeping with the holiness of his vocation. Although he is not presently exercising public ministry in the Church, he ought to pursue holiness of life in the way that he lives. He is also still bound to the obligation to pray the liturgy of the hours daily, to set aside time for spiritual retreats, to engage in mental prayer, to approach the sacrament of penance frequently, to honor the Virgin Mother of God with particular veneration as Queen of Priests, and to use any other means of sanctification which he finds helpful (c. 276).

Because of the obligation to observe perfect and perpetual continence for the sake of the kingdom of heaven, **Father Calicott** is to act with due prudence toward persons who could endanger the obligation to observe continence (c. 277§1), and to observe the particulars of the attached Individual Specific Protocol (c. 277§3) which I have established in consultation with him.

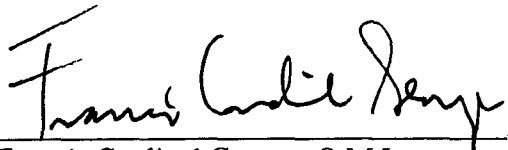
He is to avoid all those things which are unbecoming the clerical state, or those things which are foreign to the clerical state (c. 285), especially those things which are set forth in the attached Individual Specific Protocol which I have established in consultation with him.

Father Calicott is hereby dispensed from his obligation to wear ecclesiastical garb (c. 284), and is strongly urged not to do so until such time as the case against him can be resolved and more permanent determinations can be made. Although not removed from office, he is nonetheless urged not to exercise the rights of any ecclesiastical office, in accordance with the Individual Specific Protocol which I have established in consultation with him.

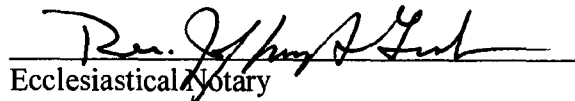
In order to ensure that these obligations are met, I have delegated **Ms. Leah McCluskey** to receive information regarding **Father Calicott's** fulfillment of this precept and his Individual Specific Protocol. She is to submit a report to me no less than quarterly regarding this matter, and may report to the Professional Fitness Review Board more frequently as needed or requested.

I am establishing this precept in a spirit of fraternal charity, mindful of my responsibility to encourage my priests to remain faithful to the obligations of the clerical state. Because the attached Individual Specific Protocol has been established in dialog between **Father Calicott** and the Vicar for Priests, I accept the provisions of this document, and urge **Father Calicott** to fulfil them in accordance with the obedience he is to show to me as his ordinary (c. 273), and which he promised at his ordination.

Given in Chicago, Illinois on the 23rd day of May, 2003.



Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I.
Archbishop of Chicago



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ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO
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Having received the recommendation of the Archdiocesan Professional Fitness Review Board that there is "reasonable cause to suspect" that **Reverend John Calicott** engaged in sexual misconduct with a minor, I have concluded that this constitutes information which "at least seems to be true" (c. 1717).

Therefore, in accordance with the aforementioned canon, I decree that an inquiry be done into the facts and circumstances of this accusation, as well as its imputability to **Father Calicott**.

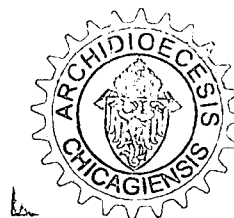
Since my other duties prevent me from conducting this investigation personally, I hereby appoint **Ms. Leah McCluskey** to act as the investigator in this matter. In carrying out these duties, Ms. McCluskey will have all of the authority of an auditor, in accordance with cc. 1428 and 1717. She is to collect any additional proofs she deems necessary in accordance with the norm of law as they relate to the present allegation. She is delegated to take testimony from the accused and from any witnesses (cc. 1530 – 1538 and 1547 – 1573), to obtain any necessary documents (cc. 1540 – 1546), to enlist the services of any experts deemed necessary (cc. 1574 – 1581), and to have access to places or things which she deems necessary for her investigation.

In conducting her investigation, Ms. McCluskey is to take care that such an investigation does nothing to harm **Father Calicott's** name or to violate his right to protect his privacy. Nor may he be asked to do anything which violates his conscience or is morally unacceptable according to the Church's moral teachings.

After she has concluded her investigation, Ms. McCluskey is to make a written report to me, no later than thirty days from the date of this appointment. This report is to address the facts, circumstances, and imputability concerning the alleged offense.

Given on 23 May, 2003 at Chicago, Illinois.

Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I.
Archbishop of Chicago



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155 E. Superior St.
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May 23, 2003

Ms. Leah McCluskey
Professional Fitness Review Administrator
676 North St. Clair
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ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO
PROFESSIONAL FITNESS REVIEW

Dear Ms. McCluskey:

Accompanying this letter is a decree which appoints you as the investigator into an allegation of sexual misconduct with a minor that was made against **Rev. John Calicott**. The terms of this investigation are spelled out in the decree.

At the same time, I am designating you as the person who is to supervise the "monitoring protocol" which has been established for Father Calicott. I ask that you report to me on a regular basis, but no less than quarterly, on Father Calicott's compliance with this protocol. You may also wish to report more frequently to the Professional Fitness Review Board so that they can make further recommendations to me on this matter.

In order to ensure confidentiality in this matter, I ask that you perform this task personally and not designate anyone else for this purpose. Should there be periods of time when you will not be able to perform this task personally, please refer the matter to the Vicar for Priests.

Thank you for agreeing to take on these additional tasks.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Francis Cardinal George".

Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I.
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May 27, 2003

Rev. John Calicott
Cardinal Stritch Retreat House
P.O. Box 455
Mundelein, IL 60060

Dear John:

I am again writing to you to give you an update as to what is happening concerning the allegations of sexual misconduct with a minor which have been made against you. I am extremely grateful to you for your patience in this matter. As you know, the Dallas Charter required me to act quickly in cases involving allegations of clerical sexual misconduct with a minor to ensure that no priest with a credible accusation was engaged in public ministry. However, because the accompanying Norms had not been approved by the Holy See, I have not been able to act as quickly as I would have liked in getting your case resolved.

With the Norms having gone into effect on March 1, 2003, along with further instructions which came from the Holy See in February, we are now in a position to begin referring our cases to the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith. Before I make such a referral, I will gather any additional information that seems necessary and review the matter once again. I will then send your advocate a copy of the letter I will be sending to the Holy See, and allow him or her the opportunity to offer an opinion as well. I anticipate this being done by the middle of July.

To that end, I have delegated Ms. Leah McCluskey to review each of the cases to see if more information needs to be gathered. I have asked her to report back to me within one month so that I can make a determination about referring the case to the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith. According to the recommendation of the Canonical Affairs Committee of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, if the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith directs me to begin a penal trial, the judges to be used will not be priests serving in the Archdiocese of Chicago. They will be chosen from a list of priests who have been trained to hear cases of clerical sexual misconduct.

In referring your case to the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, I will also consult with the Promoter of Justice and issue a decree which formalizes those things which I asked you to do for the good of the Church and under your promise of obedience to me. The imposition of this decree is required by Norm 6 of the Essential Norms established by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops.

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I have also designated Ms. McCluskey as the person to ensure that the “monitoring protocol” which you signed is being followed. She will report to me and to the Professional Fitness Review Board concerning your compliance with this protocol. I have asked that she perform this function personally, with the Vicar for Priests doing so in her absence. This will ensure the confidentiality and professionalism of this monitoring.

The protocols which you sign from time to time are not to be considered as penalties imposed on you. Instead, they are ways in which I exercise my responsibility to ensure that you fulfill the obligations which you received when you were ordained. I am establishing these protocols as individual precepts, which canon 49 describes as “a decree which directly and legitimately enjoins [you] to do or omit something, especially in order to urge the observance of law.” You will receive a copy of my precept at the same time you receive a copy of your protocol.

I hope this clarifies the process somewhat for you. I am grateful that we can finally begin a process for the resolution of your case. I know this has been a very difficult period of time for you in your priesthood. You have always been in my prayers during this time. I ask that you continue to keep me in yours.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

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Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I.
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Calicott, John [Redacted] 200263
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Dear Fr. Calicott,

Enclosed you will find documentation regarding the newly revised Monitoring Protocols. Fr. James Kaczorowski will be contacting you in the near future to schedule a meeting so that the three of us may discuss and review the enclosed information. Fr. Daniel Smilanic, Promoter of Justice and Delegate to the Cardinal, will also be present at the meeting to address any canonical questions.

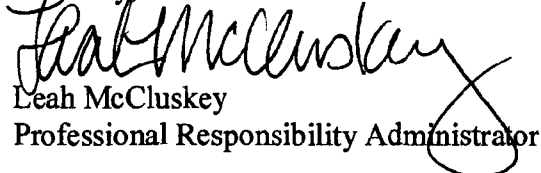
This information is being sent to you so that you and your canonical advocate Fr. Kevin Vann could have the opportunity to discuss the protocols. All of the information enclosed as well as a copy of this letter has been forwarded to Fr. Vann.

I have also enclosed a copy of the most recent policies and procedures, *1100 Sexual Abuse of Minors: Policies for Education, Prevention, Assistance to Victims and Procedures for Determination of Fitness for Ministry*. A newly revised copy of the policies and procedures are to be effective on July 15, 2003 and as a result, are not yet available.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns:

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Sincerely,


Leah McCluskey
Professional Responsibility Administrator

Enclosures

Cc: Rev. Daniel Smilanic, Archbishop's Delegate to the Review Board
Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests
Rev. Kevin Vann, Canonical Advocate

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July 11, 2003

Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I.
Archbishop of Chicago
155 E. Superior Street
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Dear Cardinal George,

As the Auditor whom you appointed in accord with Canon 1717 to conduct a Preliminary Investigation into the allegations of sexual abuse of minors that have been made against the Rev. John Calicott, a priest of the Archdiocese of Chicago, I would like to inform you that the investigation has been completed.

As required by Canon 1718, a sufficient amount of material is now present for you to make a determination. I have examined the files of the investigations of the allegations of sexual misconduct with minors by Fr. Calicott, and I have found them to be complete.

There is at least one allegation that was submitted to the Archdiocesan Professional Responsibility Review Board in which the Board recommended to you that there is reasonable cause to suspect that the alleged misconduct did occur. Given the material gathered as the Board's instruction of the case, it is now necessary for you to determine if the elements meet the required standard of proof. The Board reported their finding to you after having discussed the evidence and the arguments in two formal sessions. As part of the procedure followed by the Board, Fr. Calicott was read the allegations made against him and provided a response to each. With reference to his involvement in the instruction of the case, Fr. Calicott had the advice of legal counsel.

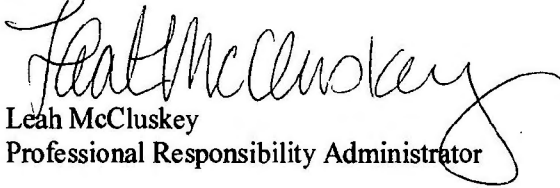
I now submit this matter to your Eminence for a determination. It is my recommendation that the allegation of sexual misconduct with a minor against the Rev. John Calicott has the semblance of truth (*notitiam saltem verisimilem*) as required by Canon 1717 and Article 13 of the Procedural Norms *de gravioribus delictis*, and consequently the case should be sent to the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith.

There is at least one allegation of sexual misconduct against Fr. Calicott. The Professional Responsibility Review Board has been presented all allegations against Fr. Calicott, and has reported to you the finding that the allegations provide reasonable cause to suspect that the alleged incidents of misconduct did occur. It is my recommendation that the aforementioned allegations have the semblance of truth (*notitiam saltem*)

verisimilem) as required by Canon Law. As a result, there is no additional information that needs to be gathered at this time regarding the allegations made against Fr. Calicott.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at 312 751-5205.

Sincerely,


Leah McCluskey
Professional Responsibility Administrator

Cc: Rev. Daniel Smilanic, Archbishop's Delegate to the Review Board
Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests

*I accept the summary -
The case will go to ACCO
F. Smilanic
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Ms. Leah McCluskey
Office for Professional Responsibility
676 North St. Clair St.
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Dear Ms. McCluskey:

I received the report from your investigation of the matter of sexual misconduct with a minor on the part of **Reverend John Calicott**.

I accept your findings and have determined that there is a semblance of truth to the allegations that **Father Calicott** engaged in acts of sexual misconduct with a minor.

Therefore, by means of this letter, I am bringing the Preliminary Investigation of this matter to a close. Based upon the information you have provided, I have concluded that this case must be referred to the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, in accordance with Part II, Article 13 the motu proprio *Sacramentorum sanctitatis tutela*.

Thank you for your diligent work, Ms. McCluskey. I appreciate the professional way in which you have handled these matters.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

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Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I.
Archbishop of Chicago



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cc: Revs. Kaczorowski and Smilanic, Ms. Leah McCluskey, Mr. Jimmy Lago, Mr. John C. O'Malley

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15 July, 2003

Rev. John Calicott
Cardinal Stritch Retreat House
P.O. Box 455
Mundelein, IL 60060

Dear John:

I am writing to let you know that I have received the report from Ms. Leah McCluskey regarding the inquiry she conducted concerning the allegations of sexual misconduct that were made against you.

Taking into account the material already presented to the review board, she has looked into the matter further. I have concluded from her report that there is enough evidence to indicate that I need to refer your case to the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith and ask for their permission to conduct a trial to determine whether you committed the delict of sexual abuse of a minor; and, if so, what penalty ought to be imposed on you.

I will make this referral by the end of the month. It is impossible to say when the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith will respond to my request.

If I am given permission to conduct a trial in the Archdiocese, I will ask the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops to provide me with three judges. I will also present all the material in the case to the Promoter of Justice, and ask that he draw up a formal petition. A trial will then be conducted according to the norm of law. You will be informed throughout the proceedings of how you might exercise your rights. If you have not appointed an advocate, one will be appointed for you.

Since you are already observing the restrictions on your ministry as I requested, I do not see any need to impose any formal penal restrictions on you, as called for by canon 1722. In a previous letter to you, I indicated that I would issue this decree once I sent the case to the Holy See. In light of your cooperation, however, I have decided it is not necessary to take any further steps at this time.

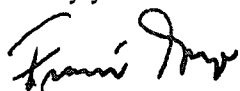
As you know, the Dallas Charter and subsequent Norms state that if even a single act of sexual misconduct with a minor is proven, you must be removed permanently from ministry. Even if the offense does not warrant dismissal from the clerical state, the laws approved by the Holy See for the United States would not allow me to assign you to any public ministry, to celebrate the sacraments publicly, or to present yourself in public as a priest. Instead, you would be expected to lead a life of prayer and penance under my direction.

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On the other hand, if the allegations against you are not proven, I will do everything I can to restore your reputation. I realize how difficult this might be, given the publicity that has already been given to this matter. Since I also realize you may have some feelings about this matter, I will consult with you before anything is done in this regard.

I am again appreciative of the cooperation you have given me in this matter. I will keep you in my prayers, and ask that you keep me in yours.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

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Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I.
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MEMORANDUM

To: File –PFR-13

From: Professional Responsibility Review Board Meeting

Re: **John Calicott**

Date: July 19, 2003

A summary of the discussion from the Professional Responsibility Review Board Meeting on July 19, 2003:

I. Monitoring Protocol Update

- Fr. Dowling shared information regarding Fr. Calicott
 - Received information that Fr. Calicott preached at a funeral [whose name was printed in the program] in the recent past
 - PRA informed Board that information regarding Fr. Vader would be discussed with Fr. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests

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**Professional Responsibility Review Board
Saturday, July 19, 2003 - 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.**

MINUTES

Review Board Members Present:

[REDACTED]

Members absent:

[REDACTED]

Non-members present:

Leah McCluskey, Professional Responsibility Administrator [PRA]
Rev. Daniel Smilanic, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board

I. Approval of Minutes – June 21, 2003

II. Monitoring Protocol Update

- Recommendation of Review Board that a statement be added to the Individual Specific Monitoring Protocols [ISP] that the accused's signature on the ISP does not imply an admission of guilt
- [REDACTED] shared information regarding Fr. Vader and Fr. Calicott
 - Received information that Fr. Vader presided over a mass in the recent past
 - Received information that Fr. Calicott preached at a funeral [whose name was printed in the program] in the recent past
 - PRA informed Board that information regarding Fr. Vader and Calicott would be discussed with Fr. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests

III. Update of FEG's decisions based upon Review Board recommendations from June 21, 2003

IV. Case Reviews

Initial Review

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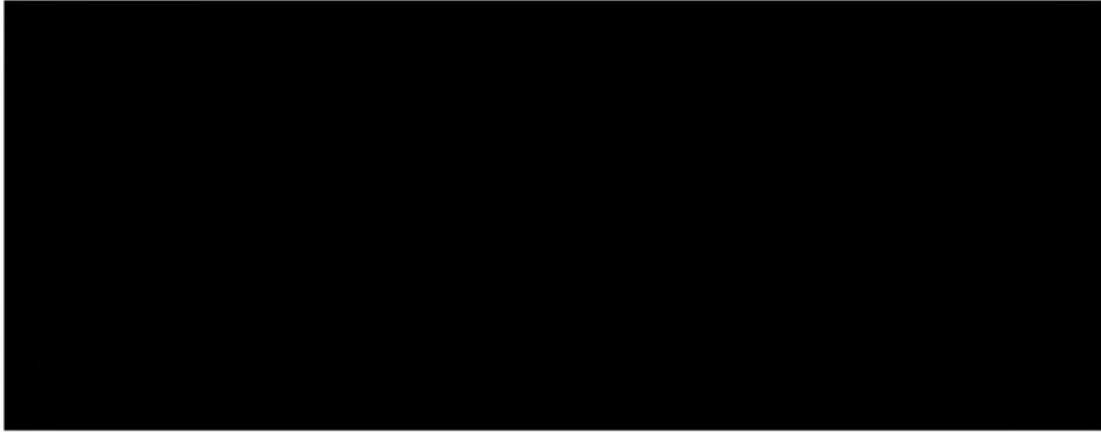


Review for Cause

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V. Other Matters



Next scheduled meeting is August 16, 2003 at 9:00 a.m.

**Cc: Review Board Members
Rev. Daniel Smilanic, Archbishop's Delegate to the Review Board
Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests
Rev. Thomas Tivy, Vicar for Priests**

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Office of the Metropolitan Tribunal
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MEMORANDUM

TO: Bishop Goedert
Father Smilanic
Father Kaczorowski
Ms. Leah McCluskey
Mr. Ralph Bonaccorsi
Mr. Jimmy Lago
Mr. John O'Malley

FROM: Father Lagges *plw*
RE: Referral of case to Rome
DATE: 1 August, 2003

This is to inform you that on **31 July, 2003** Cardinal George has forwarded the case of **Reverend John Calicott** to the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, asking for permission to conduct a penal trial in the Archdiocese of Chicago.

It is impossible to estimate when we will receive a response from the Holy See. Given the large number of cases that are being sent there from the United States, it will probably be at least several months before we hear anything.

If a penal trial is permitted, all the material in the case will be handed over the Promoter of Justice (Rev. William H. Woestman, O.M.I.), who will then petition the tribunal to hear the case. The judges assigned to the tribunal will be from outside the Archdiocese of Chicago. They will follow the normal judicial process specified in Book VII of the Code of Canon Law. (These are the same processes that are followed in marriage nullity cases.)

The Archdiocese will be the petitioner in the case; the accused priest the Respondent. The two questions before the court will be: (1) Has the priest committed an act of sexual misconduct with a minor? (2) If so, in accordance with the Dallas Charter and Norms, shall he be dismissed from the clerical state?

If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact me.

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MEMORANDUM

To: File - PFR-13

From: Leah McCluskey, Professional Responsibility Administrator 

Re: Calicott, John

Date: August 10, 2003

PRA and Fr. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests met with Fr. John Calicott on July 28, 2003 to discuss the new monitoring protocols. It was explained to Fr. Calicott that Fr. Daniel Smilanic, Promoter of Justice was unable to attend the day's meeting due to having to be the celebrant at a funeral mass.

PRA provided Fr. Calicott with a copy of the policies promulgated on July 15, 2003. He was also informed that his canonical advocate, Fr. Kevin Vann would receive all of the monitoring information—including a copy of the newly promulgated policies.

Fr. Calicott quickly read through his Individual Specific Protocol as well as the Daily Log and Travel/Vacation Agreement forms while PRA spoke. Fr. Calicott expressed his concerns with his canonical rights being violated in terms of the request that he abide by the protocols presented to him. Fr. Kaczorowski stated that he would contact Fr. Vann and suggest that he speak with Fr. Smilanic directly.

Fr. Calicott was not asked to sign the Individual Specific Protocol at the meeting held on July 28, 2003, but was asked to speak with his canonical advocate within ten days regarding the document and his signature. Fr. Calicott was then informed that Fr. Kaczorowski and PRA would travel to Mundelein in approximately two weeks to discuss his [Fr. Calicott's] agreement/disagreement to follow the requested protocol as per his advocate.

Fr. Calicott again spoke strongly of his opinion that the request that he abide by the Individual Specific Protocols was a violation of his civil rights. However, he stated that he would have no problems following all that was requested of him, except for the Daily Log. Fr. Calicott stated that he would not complete any Daily Logs.

Cc: Rev. Daniel Smilanic, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board
Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests

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September 8, 2003

Fr. John Calicott
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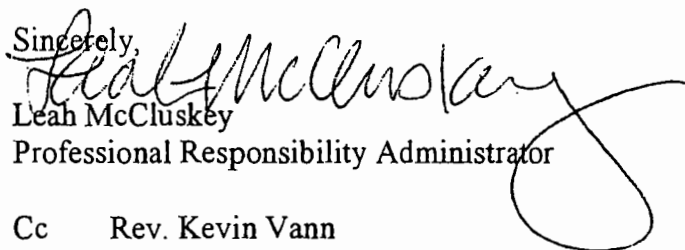
Dear Fr. Calicott,

Enclosed you will find documentation regarding the monitoring protocols.

The monitoring protocols have been changed somewhat. This was done principally in order to put into a standard written form, arrangements that had been made orally and/or on an individual basis. It was felt that by committing as much as possible to a written form, misunderstandings could be reduced and communication would be facilitated. These changes reflect the feedback provided by all those involved in the monitoring program, including those who are subject to it. The enclosed forms contain the adjustments made to the monitoring forms that were provided to you in July of 2003. All those involved in monitoring will be receiving a copy of the new forms.

All of the information enclosed as well as a copy of this letter and a copy of the policies and procedures, *1100 Sexual Abuse of Minors: Policies for Education, Prevention, Assistance to Victims and Procedures for Determination of Fitness for Ministry* promulgated on July 15, 2003 has been forwarded to your canonical advocate, Rev. Kevin Vann.

In designing a form that addresses so many different, complex situations, one or another points may be unclear. If you have any question or concerns, please contact me at [312] 751-5205.

Sincerely,

Leah McCluskey
Professional Responsibility Administrator

Cc Rev. Kevin Vann

Enclosures

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INDIVIDUAL SPECIFIC PROTOCOL
For

John Calicott

The Individual Specific Protocols (ISP) implement the primary goal of protecting minors and the integrity of the Church. Additionally, the ISP serves as a safeguard for the individual priest/deacon with regard to the possibility of subsequent allegations. As long as the cleric is a client of the Office of Professional Responsibility, he will be subject to appropriate protocols, restrictions and monitoring under the authority of the Vicar for Priests and supervised by the Professional Responsibility Administrator (PRA); please refer to protocol number 15.

This ISP for John Calicott is as follows (PRA to initial all that apply):

1. Restricted from being alone with minors (anyone under the age of 18) without the presence of another responsible adult.

2. [REDACTED]

3. [REDACTED]

4. The "Clergy Daily Log" to be completed on a daily basis and co-signed by the monitor. The log is a tool that is used for the protection of minors, the priest/deacon, the monitor and the Archdiocese. Although it lists all time periods, it is intended to provide an accurate record of the day rather than a detailed clock. If you are describing an off-campus activity, please include the place, the general purpose of the visit/trip/activity (e.g. Spiritual Direction, therapy), and the telephone number only if it is a private residence. (For example, it is enough to indicate that you did personal shopping rather than the name, location and telephone number of each individual store.) If your self-description is challenged, some documentation/verification may be requested. The monitor will return the log forms at the end of each month to PRA.

5. Abide by the restriction of residence to Cardinal Stritch Retreat House

6. No inappropriate use of computers, software, Internet capabilities, communications tools or technology. The standards articulated in the *Policies and Procedures of the Archdiocese of Chicago* and the *Handbook For Archdiocesan Employees* will apply.
7. Must complete and submit the "Travel/Vacation Agreement" to PRA prior to a scheduled departure.
8. N/A Attendance at a recommended support group _____ (please indicate specific support group). Recommended frequency of _____ times per week/month (please circle one). Attendance at a recommended support group is to be reflected on "Clergy Daily Log" forms.
9. No ministerial participation in the public celebration of the Eucharist or any other Sacrament or Sacramental without the prior, written permission of the Vicar for Priests.
10. Refrain from wearing any garb that would give the appearance of, or seem to infer, a priest/deacon who has canonical faculties and is currently assigned to some ministry (e.g., the 'clerical shirt').
11. The right of defense must not involve the public life of the Church.
12. On-site visits by PRA annually to include meeting with PRA and the cleric.
13. On-site visits by Vicar for Priests (VP) annually to include a meeting with VP and the cleric.
14. This ISP is to be reviewed annually with PRA, VP, and the cleric.
15. Because the private celebration of the Eucharist is possible, during the course of each week one of the Masses celebrated is to be for the intention of the priests of the Archdiocese of Chicago.
16. Any change or alteration to this agreement will involve consultation with the cleric, his monitor, the PRA, and the VP. The cleric, his monitor, the PRA, or the VP can initiate the discussion for change or alteration, and at the discretion of any of the parties, his legal and/or canonical counsel may be involved.

I have reviewed, understand, and agree to all of these individual specific Protocols.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Printed Name: _____

Signature of PRA: Paul McCloskey Date: 9/11/03

Signature of VP: Just. Beyer Date: 9/11/03

A copy of this Protocol will be kept on file in the Office of Professional Responsibility and on file in the Office of the Vicar for Priests.

Fr. Calicott has verbally agreed to follow all protocols with exception of #4. Fr. Calicott will check in daily w/ monitor Fr. Anthony Talarico.

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September 17, 2003

Rev. John Calicott
P.O. Box 455
Mundelein, IL 60060-0455

Dear Fr. Calicott,

It was a pleasure meeting with you last Thursday. Both Fr. Kaczorowski and I appreciate the time that you took to meet with us. Enclosed you will find a copy of the Individual Specific Protocol to which you gave your verbal agreement to comply. A copy of the enclosed ISP will also be forwarded to your canonical advocate, Rev. Kevin Vann.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at [312] 751-5205.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Leah McCluskey".

Leah McCluskey
Professional Responsibility AdministratorCc: Rev. Daniel Smilanic, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board
Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests
Rev. Kevin Vann, Canonical Advocate

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MEMORANDUM

To: File - PFR-13
From: Review Board Minutes
Re: John Calicott (Withdrawn)
Date: September 20, 2003

A Summary of the discussion from the Professional Responsibility Review Board Meeting on September 20, 2003:

Review Board voiced concerns that Fr. Calicott has refused to complete Daily Log forms

The Board expressed their concerns with the validity of the Individual Specific Protocol [ISP] forms when they are verbally agreed to and not signed.

In regards to the ISP, a suggestion that a line be added on the ISP, "A signature on this form does not indicate guilt. It indicates the agreement to comply with protocols." --or something similar.

Board then recommended that all men be presented with ISPs again with aforementioned "disclaimer".

Also suggested men be notified of possible financial consequences that may result in not signing/complying with ISP.

The Board suggested the need for consequences for those men who are under the ISP and are not adhering to all requests [i.e. refuse to sign ISP or refusal to complete the Daily Log forms:

- Suggested consequences
- Reduction in monthly salary
- Archdiocese would not pay for car insurance

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**Professional Responsibility Review Board
Saturday, September 20, 2003 - 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.**

MINUTES

Review Board Members Present:

[Redacted]

Members absent:

[Redacted]

Non-members present:

Leah McCluskey, Professional Responsibility Administrator [PRA] 
Rev. Daniel Smilanic, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board

I. Approval of Minutes – August 16, 2003

- [Redacted]

II. Monitoring Protocols

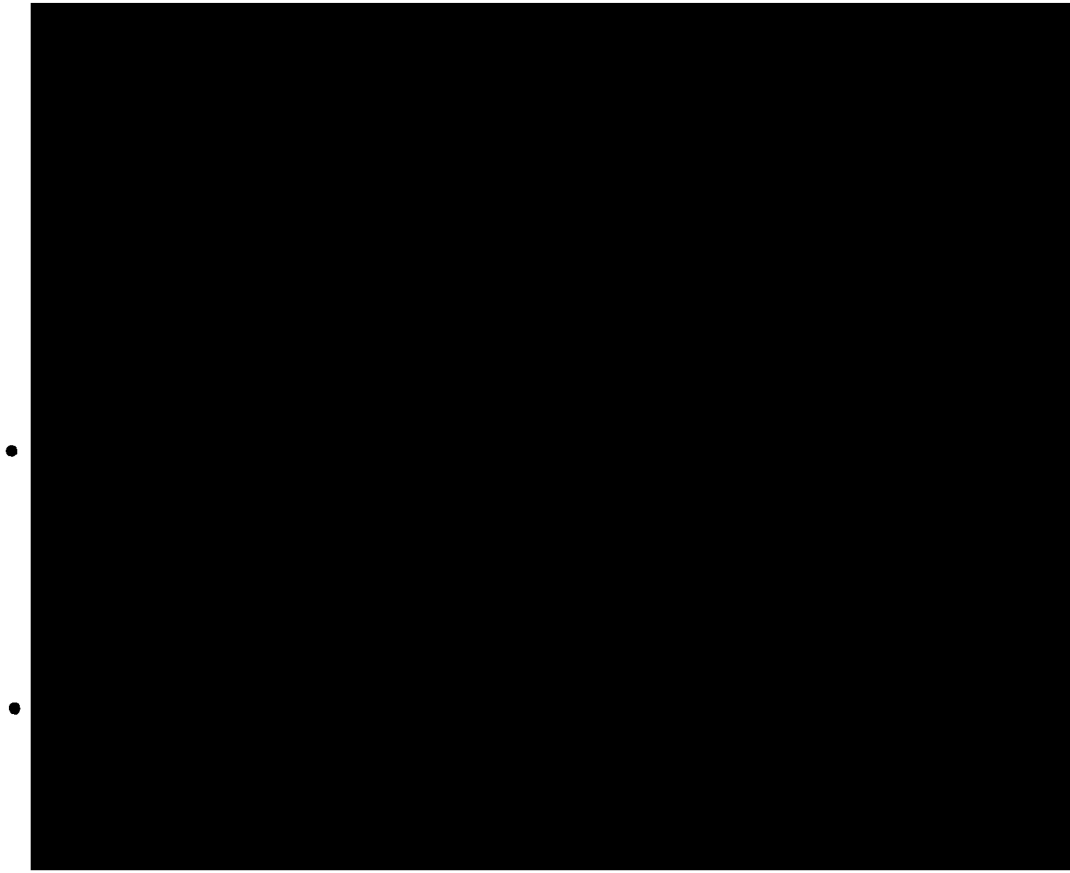
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 - Archdiocese would not pay for car insurance
- The Board expressed their concerns with the performance of Fr. Anthony Talarico as the monitor at Mundelein
- The Board expressed their great concern with the monitoring at Mundelein
 - Suggested that Pat O'Malley monitor
 - Suggested that Ted Jakubowski monitor
- The Board suggested to PRA that all monitoring information be brought to their attention for review on a quarterly basis
- Violations of monitoring protocols need to be brought to the Board as an agenda item
- Board is interested in information as to how Vicar for Priests initiate monitoring
- Board recommended that monitors be "trained" prior to providing monitoring of those removed from ministry [i.e. a checklist provided to monitors of things to be aware of]
- Board recommended that monitors have specific qualifications
- Board recommended that monitors participate in Safe Environment/Virtus training [as per Jan Slattery, training sessions are scheduled for November 13, 14, and 15th]

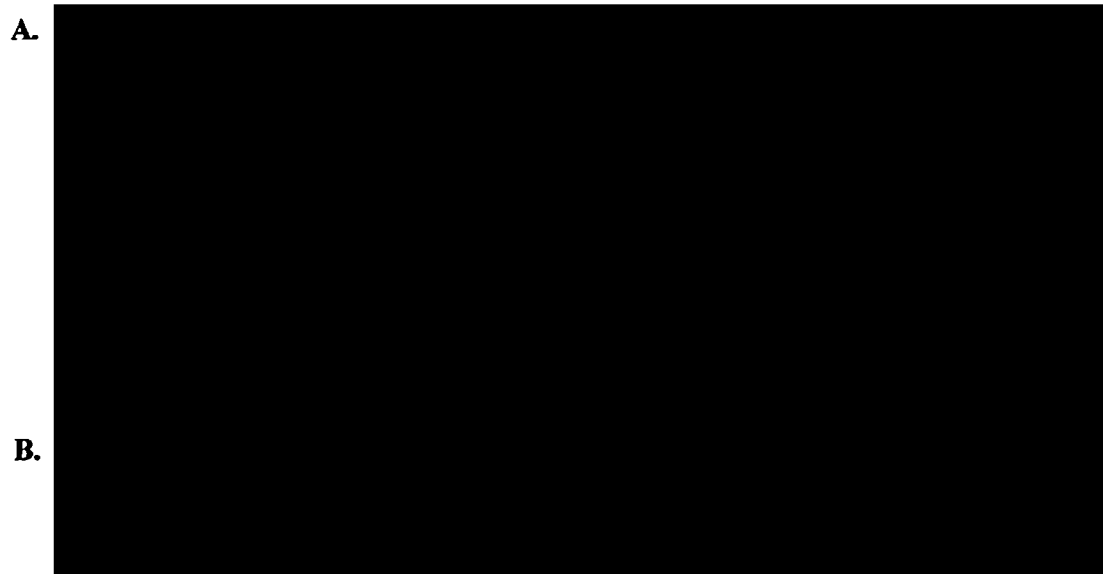
III. Review of August 16, 2003 Board Meeting recommendations

IV. Informal update on matters in Office of Professional Responsibility

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IV. Case Reviews



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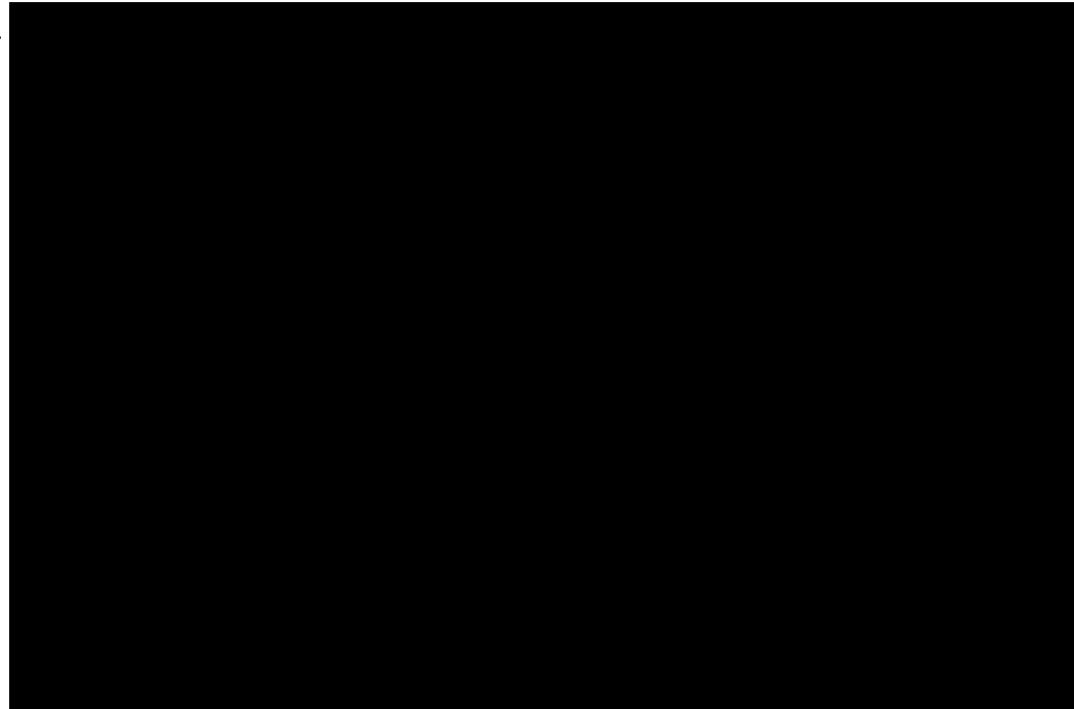
Review for Cause

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Second Stage Review

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F.

Next scheduled meeting is October 18, 2003 at 9:00 a.m.

Cc: Review Board Members
Rev. Daniel Smilanic, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board
Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests
Rev. Thomas Tivy, Vicar for Priests

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MEMORANDUM

To: File - PFR-13

From: Leah McCluskey, Professional Responsibility Administrator 


Re: Calicott, John [Withdrawn]




Date: November 6, 2003

PRA and Rev. James T. Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests met with Rev. John Calicott on September 11, 2003 at the Cardinal Stritch Retreat House. The purpose of the meeting was for PRA to provide Fr. Calicott with the newly revised Individual Specific [Monitoring] Protocols, Daily Log forms, and the Travel/Vacation Notification forms. PRA also reviewed all of the new forms with Fr. Calicott.

Fr. Calicott provided his verbal agreement to follow the requested monitoring protocols. However, he stated that he would not provide a written signature to indicate agreement. Fr. Calicott then referred to the monitoring information stated in §1100 *Sexual Abuse of Minors: Policies for Education, Prevention, Assistance to Victims and Procedures for Determination of Fitness for Ministry*. Fr. Calicott expressed his opinion that he has shown that he is not a risk to minors, which therefore should be reflected in his monitoring protocols.

In terms of contact information when he is away from Mundelein, Fr. Calicott stated that he does inform his monitor, Rev. Anthony Talarico when he is leaving the grounds. Also, Fr. Calicott stated that Fr. Talarico has his cellular phone number so that he [Fr. Calicott] may be reached when he is away from Mundelein.

Fr. Calicott questioned 

 However, Fr. Calicott continues to  to be in compliance with monitoring protocols. PRA informed Fr. Calicott that his questions regarding  would be brought to the attention of the Review Board for their consideration and review.

Cc: Rev. Daniel Smilanic, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board
Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests

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A G E N D A

Meeting: #9th - Twentieth Board
Date: November 14, 2003
Place: Priests' Placement Board

Present: Rev.: John W. Clemens, William T. Corcoran, James Donovan,
Leonardo Gomez, Joseph P. Grembla, David A. Jones,
Robert G. Mair, Daniel J. McCormack

Absent: Rev. Thomas Hickey

I Opening Prayer: Bishop Joseph Perry _____ A M

II Acceptance of Minutes: *Vote* _____

III Reports:




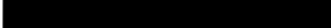
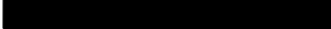
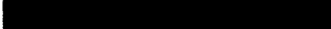
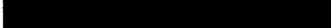
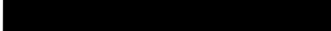
IV Acceptance of Agenda: *Vote* _____

V Business:

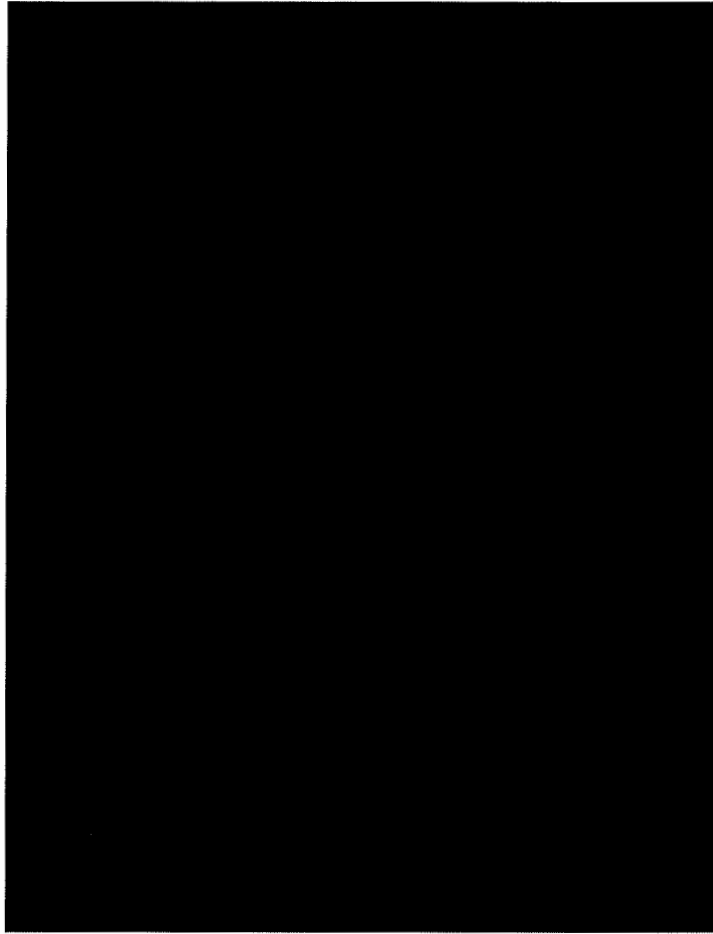
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B. Bishop Joseph Perry Agenda: 10:15 – 11:30

1. Priests:

- a) John Calicott '74
- b) 
- c) 
- d) 
- e) 
- f) 
- g) 

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5. Pastors Terms

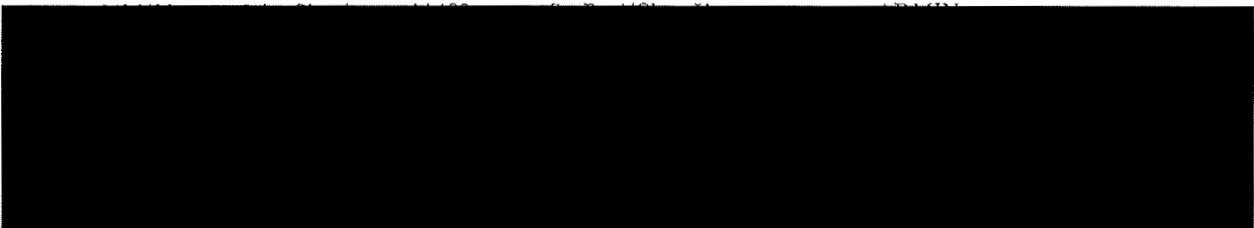
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Meeting #9th - Twentieth Board
Date November 14, 2003
Priests' Placement Board/Pastoral Center

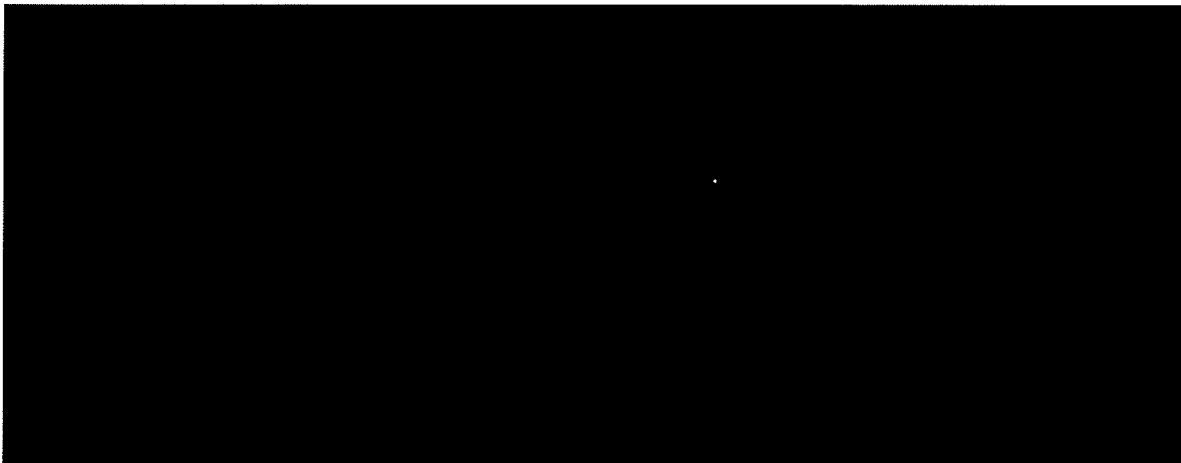
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Robert G. Mair, Daniel J. McCormack

Absent: Rev. Thomas Hickey

I Opening Prayer: Bishop Joseph Perry 10:10 A M

II Acceptance of Minutes: 8 - 0 - 0

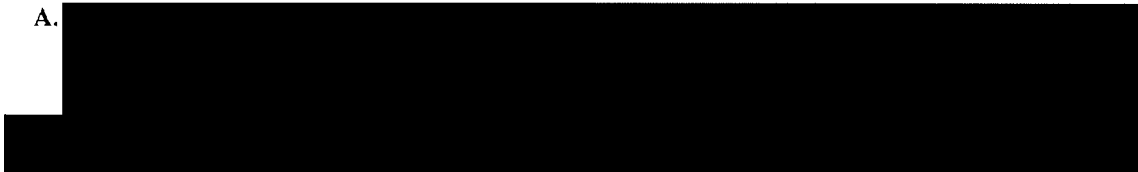
III Reports:



IV Acceptance of Agenda: 8 - 0 - 0

V Business:

A.



1. Priests:

a) John Calicott '74: there is no word on John's case as pastor of Holy Angels. Robert Miller '76 [Administrator] should not bind his future to John's.

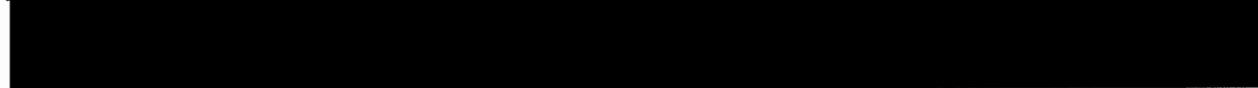
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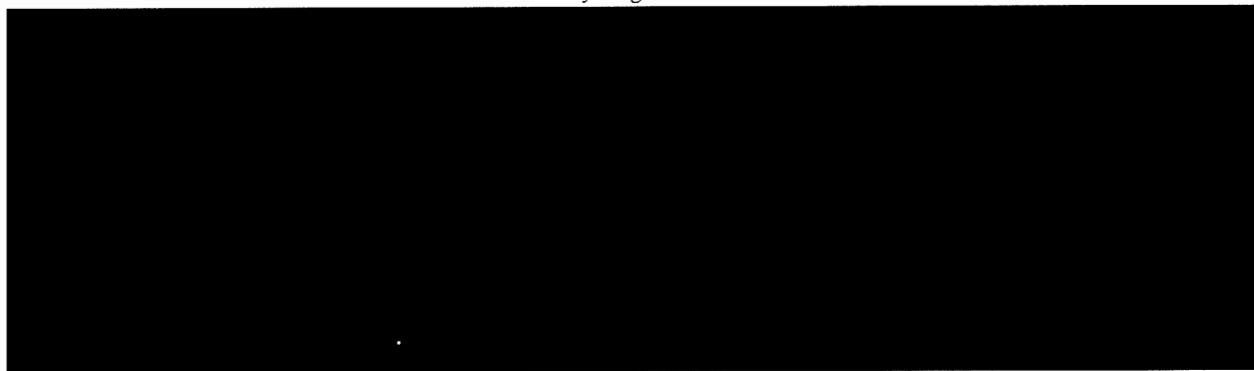


5. Pastors Terms as of 11/14/2003
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MEMORANDUM

To: File - PFR-13
From: Review Board Meeting
Re: John Calicott
Date: December 20, 2003

Summary of the discussion at the Professional Responsibility Review Board Meeting on December 20, 2003:

The Board recommended that Fr. Calicott continue [REDACTED]

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Professional Responsibility Review Board
Saturday, December 20, 2003 - 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

MINUTES

Review Board Members Present:



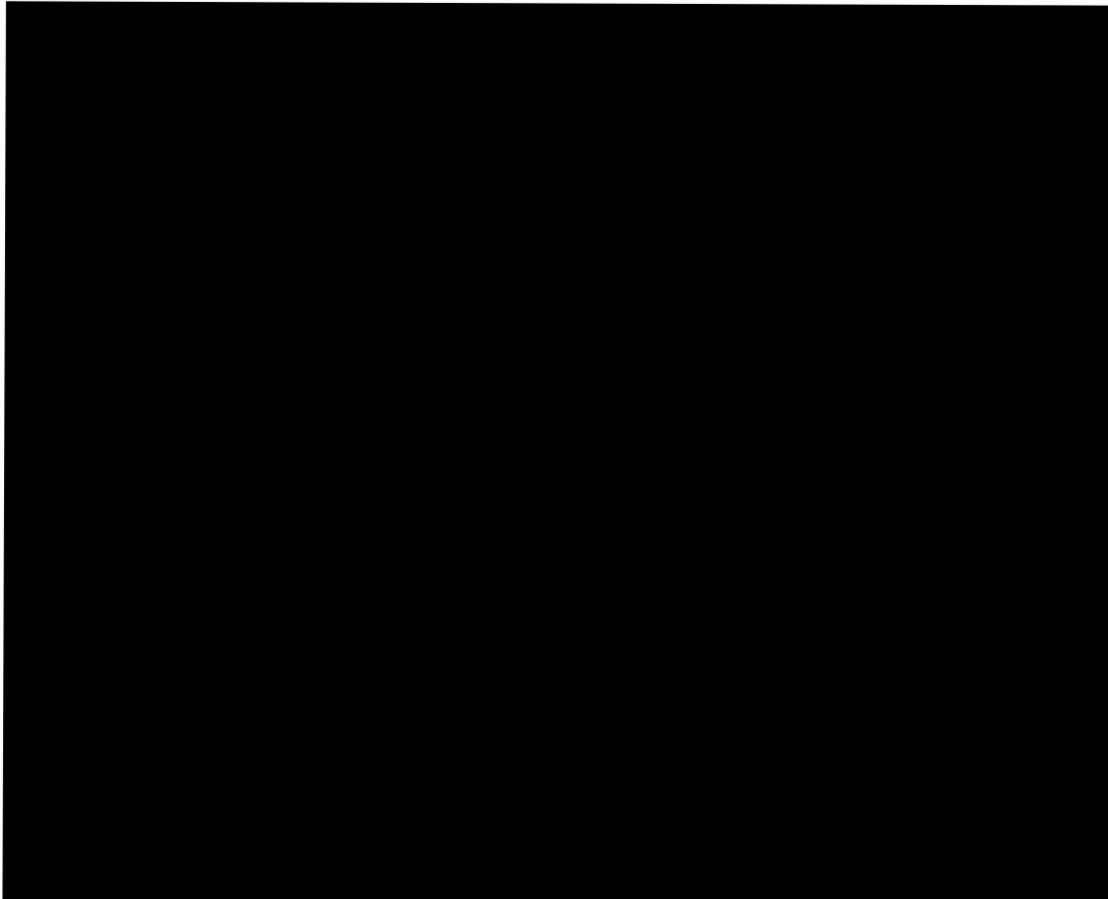
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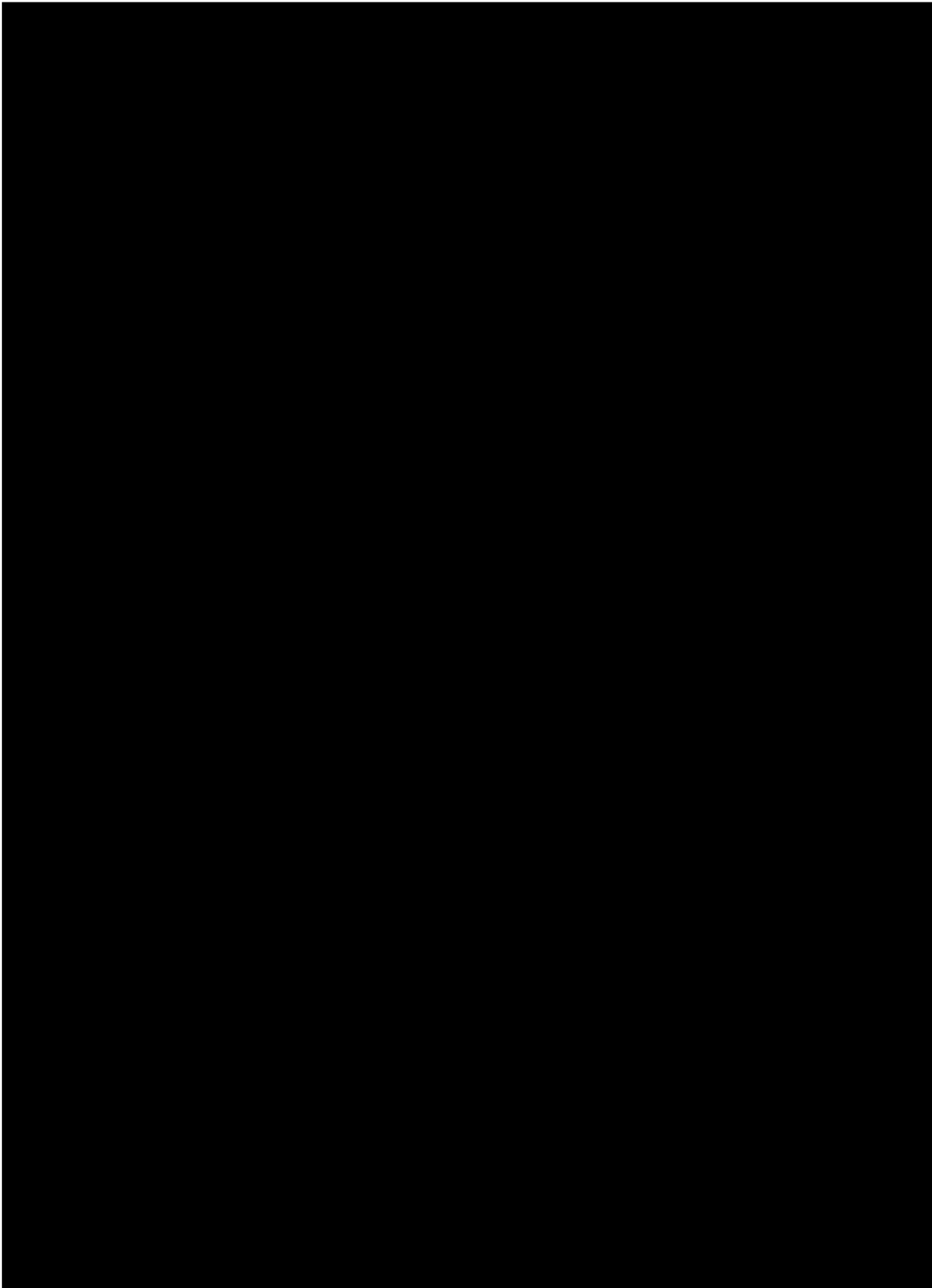


Non-members present:

Leah McCluskey, Professional Responsibility Administrator [PRA]
Rev. Daniel Smilanic, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board

I. Francis Cardinal George, OMI





- Cardinal swore in new Board member, [REDACTED]

II. Approval of Minutes – October 18, 2003

III. Update on Decisions Made by the Cardinal

- PRA provided Board members with update on decisions made by Cardinal George based upon their recommendations from the October 18, 2003 agenda

III. Case Reviews

Initial Reviews:

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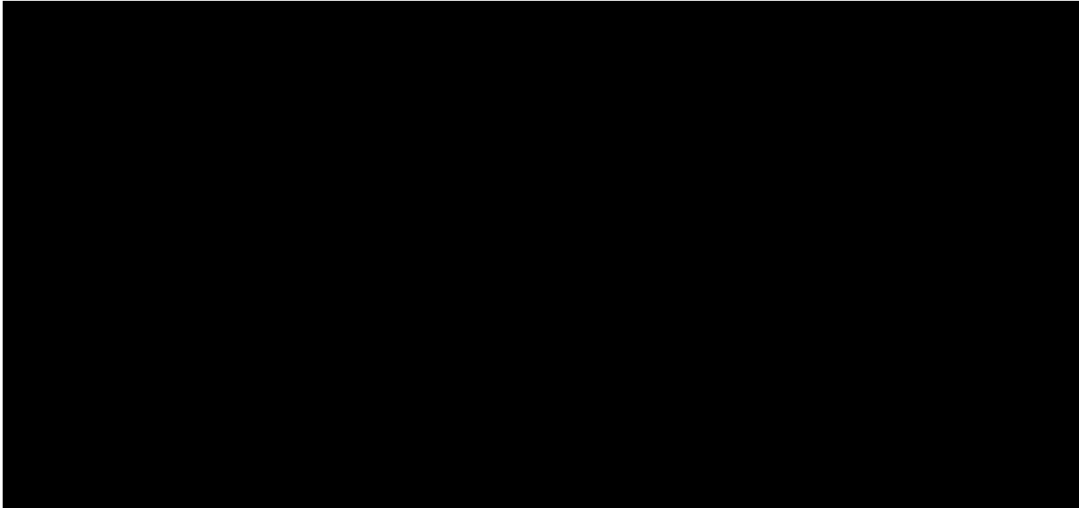
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IV. Other Matters

- [REDACTED] for Rev. John Calicott
 - The Board recommended that Fr. Calicott continue [REDACTED]
- **Monitoring Protocols**
 - The Board recommended that either the men removed either adhere to monitoring protocols or a decree will be imposed with the understanding that the Cardinal will impose a penal penalty
 - The Board recommended that Rev. James T. Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests and PRA make a trip to Mundelein to present most recent revision of Individual Specific Protocol [ISP] forms

- Intent to point out to men adhering to monitoring that their signature on the forms is not an admission of guilt
- The Board recommended that all men removed are given until March 2004 to comply with all monitoring protocols
 - Men are to be notified in person and with a formal letter
 - Suggestion that a copy of the decree to be imposed in cases where the monitoring is not followed be attached to letter

V.



Next scheduled meeting is January 10, 2004 at 9:00 a.m.

Cc: Review Board Members
Rev. Daniel Smilanic, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board
Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests
Rev. Thomas Tivy, Vicar for Priests

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TRAVEL/VACATION AGREEMENT

Permission to go on vacation to [Redacted] 1735 from/to 1.2.04 ~ 1.14.04
(Destination) (Dates)
 this year has been granted to John Calicott provided the following conditions
(Client name)
 will be met by him and [Redacted]
(Companion/s)

(See attached correspondence)

1. The designated companion agrees to accompany the client at all his activities. Client is not allowed to be by himself.
2. No contacts with minors are allowed unless companion is present.
3. Client is required to call in _____, to keep a daily log: proofs/
(Frequency)
 tickets, receipts, etc., regarding resident's activities are to be submitted to PFR Administrator for verification.
4. If any of the above conditions are violated both the client and the travel companion(s) will be held accountable by the Archdiocese of Chicago.
5. The date of return to the residence has been set for _____, however due to weather conditions or emergencies that may arise, the date can be changed. Approval from the PFR Administrator must be granted for any changes in this statement.

Signature(s):



Date:



A copy of this agreement will be kept on file at Professional Fitness Review Board Administrator's Office and the Vicar for Priests' Office.

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FACSIMILE TRANSMITTAL SHEET

TO:	FROM:
Rev. John Calicott	Leah McCluskey
	DATE:
	12/30/03
FAX NUMBER:	TOTAL NO. OF PAGES INCLUDING COVER:
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PHONE NUMBER:	PHONE NUMBER:
	312-751-5205
RE:	
Travel/Vacation Form	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FILL OUT <input type="checkbox"/> PLEASE REVIEW <input type="checkbox"/> PLEASE COMMENT <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PLEASE RETURN	

Fr. Calicott,

Please fill out (and sign) the attached new Travel/Vacation Form and mail it to our office.

Once I sign it, a copy will be forwarded to the vicar assigned to your case and a copy will be mailed to you. Meanwhile, I will mail you a few copies for use in the future.

They can be photocopied as needed. Thank you for your cooperation.

Leah

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PFR-13 - John Calicott

JANUARY TO DECEMBER 2004 Monthly Schedule

Dates/Times	Event (Therapy, Spiritual Direction, Vacation , etc.) Where, When, How Long	Therapist, Spiritual Leader, Doctor, Monitor, etc. (Include names)
January 3 , 2004		(Monitor)
February 4-21, 2004		(Monitor)
March 13, 2004 to April 14, 2004		(Monitor)
May 25-27, 2004	Same as above	Same as above
August 20, 2004 to September 9, 2004		(Monitor)

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TRAVEL/VACATION NOTIFICATION

John Calicott [name of cleric] has informed this office that he will be traveling to
[redacted] [destination address and contact phone number] from
03 January 2004 [departure date] through 13 January 2004 [return date].

John Calicott [name of cleric] will be monitored by
[redacted] [name of travel monitor]. [redacted] [name of
travel monitor] has accepted the responsibility of verifying the location and activities of
John Calicott [name of cleric] during the aforementioned time frame.

[see attached correspondence]

1. Contacts with minors by John Calicott [name of cleric] must be in the presence of [redacted] [name of travel monitor]. Inappropriate situations and locations incompatible with a priestly lifestyle are to be avoided.
2. [redacted] [name of travel monitor] may be asked to attest to the activities and whereabouts of John Calicott [cleric name] over 01.01.04 ~ 01.13.04 [aforementioned time frame].
3. As previously noted, the date of return to John Calicott's [cleric name] residence has been scheduled for 13 January 2004 [aforementioned return date]. However, due to weather conditions or emergencies that may arise, the date may be changed. In the event of such a circumstance, should the original plans be substantially changed, please contact PRA at (312) 751-5205.

Cleric Signature: [Signature] Date: 02 January 2004

PRA Signature: [Signature] Date: 1/5/04

A copy of this document will be provided to the cleric. The original will be placed in the cleric's file in the Office of Professional Responsibility and a copy will be placed in the cleric's file in the Vicar for Priests' Office.

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January 20, 2004

Cardinal Francis George, O.M.I.
Archbishop of Chicago
155 E. Superior Street
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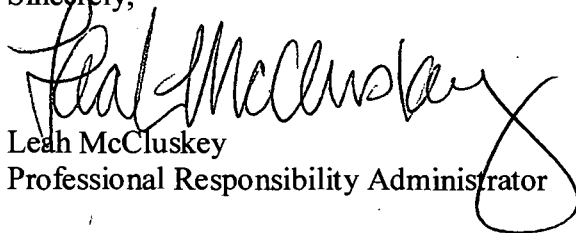
Dear Cardinal George,

Please be advised that the Professional Responsibility Review Board met on December 20, 2003 and conducted a partial review of Rev. John Calicott's current monitoring protocols.

Fr. Calicott feels that it is not necessary for him to continue [REDACTED] and wished for this information to be presented to the Review Board. Despite Fr. Calicott's request, the Review Board recommends that he continue with [REDACTED].

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at [312] 751-5205.

Sincerely,



Leah McCluskey
Professional Responsibility Administrator

*I accept the
recommendations - although
I would not recommend
when his case is
definitely adjudicated
in matters*

Cc: Rev. Daniel Smilanic, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board
Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests
Rev. Patrick Lagges, Judicial Vicar

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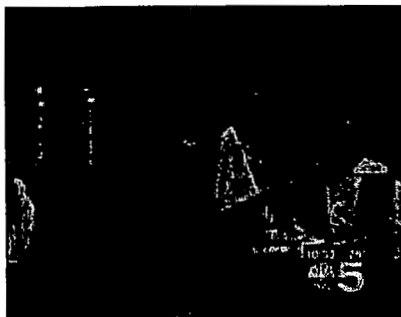
NBC5.com

Priest Teaches At Holy Angels Despite Abuse Allegations

Holy Angels Priest Denies Sex Abuse Allegations

POSTED: 10:20 PM CST January 21, 2004

CHICAGO -- A Chicago-area priest barred from his duties because of alleged sexual abuse is back at his old parish, NBC5's Mary Ann Ahern reported.



The Catholic bishops approved a zero-tolerance policy 18 months ago, so even those with a past sex abuse allegation -- like the Rev. John Calicott (pictured) -- have been removed from public ministry. Calicott is appealing his case, but in the meantime, NBC5 has learned that he's not only been teaching religion to students at Holy Angels, he's also been teaching sex education.

Holy Angels Parish on the city's south side has known for the past 10 years that Calicott faced allegations of sexual misconduct with two teenage boys in the late 1970s. He denied the allegations, [REDACTED]

Cardinal Joseph Bernardin reinstated Calicott with the full blessing of his parish, but when the Catholic bishops approved the zero-tolerance policy 18 months ago, Calicott was removed. He is appealing that decision with the backing of many parishioners.

"I have a problem with this whole concept of zero tolerance," said the Rev. Robert Miller of Holy Angels.

Miller added that the staff has invited Calicott to drop in and teach a religion class or two, and in fact, Calicott has even taught sex education, Ahern reported.

Although the archdiocese said Calicott "is not supposed to be engaging in any ministry" or to still live at the parish, his car is parked at the rectory and documents continue to list it as his address.

Calicott, who was at the parish Wednesday, did not return NBC5's calls.

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Newsclips January 22, 2004



Abuse Victims Ask That Former Pastor Be Barred From Teaching

Thursday, January 22, 2004, 4:25 p.m.

By Bob Roberts
WBBM Newsradio 780

(Chicago) -- A group representing victims of sexual abuse by Roman Catholic priests wants action from the Archdiocese to prevent the former pastor of Holy Angels parish, in Bronzeville, from teaching in its school.

Holy Angels parishioners invited Father John Calicott to speak with seventh and eighth graders about drugs, gangs and sex. Parish administrator Father Robert Miller agreed to it, even though Calicott was barred from public ministry in 2002 under terms of the American bishops' zero-tolerance policy.

Father Calicott in 1994 admitted engaging in sexual misconduct with two teenaged boys while assigned to St. Ailbe Church. He has long maintained that he is cured.

Survivors' Network President Barbara Blaine is outraged and has written Francis Cardinal George demanding not only a review of Calicott's monitoring arrangements, but removal of Miller:

"There's no exception in the so-called zero-tolerance policy for abusive priests who happen to be popular," Blaine said.

There are no recent complaints against Father Calicott. The late Francis Cardinal Bernardin removed Calicott from the ministry in 1994, but a year later allowed him to return at Holy Angels' pastor after obtaining a pledge from him that he would not falter again.

Father Calicott has long been a popular figure at Holy Angels, 607 E. Oakwood Blvd. Parishioners lobbied heavily for his reinstatement, and have done so since he was removed in June 2002, following adoption of the bishop's new sexual abuse policies.

Under terms of the policy, any priest with even one credible allegation of sexual misconduct with children must be removed

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from public ministry permanently, may not wear his Roman collar or other priestly garb, and may not celebrate Mass publicly.

Archdiocesan spokesman Jim Dwyer said talking in classrooms with students by Father Calicott, with or without his Roman collar, is not allowed under terms of the policy.

"If he did, that would be a violation," Dwyer said.

The archdiocese is reviewing the situation and Blaine's demand. Dwyer said Cardinal George, who returned Thursday from anti-abortion rallies in Washington, D.C., would take part in all such discussions.

Father Calicott lives in a retreat house on the grounds of St. Mary of the Lake seminary in Mundelein and is supposed to be monitored at all times. He has standing permission from the Archdiocese to attend Mass at Holy Angels, and Dwyer said, and has frequent interactions with his former parishioners.

Father Miller remains in his post as Holy Angels administrator, a post he has held since Father Calicott's removal, although that could also be subject to review, Dwyer said.

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Accused priest lecturing kids about sex

'He's not supposed to be doing that' church official says

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The Rev. John Calicott, former pastor of Holy Angels in Bronzeville, was removed from ministry after allegations involving teen boys.

Officials of the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Chicago are investigating whether a Chicago priest who was removed from ministry because of allegations of sexual misconduct with teenage boys has violated church policy by returning to his former parish to talk to groups of Catholic school students about sex.

On several occasions since his removal from ministry in 2002, the Rev. John Calicott, former pastor of Holy Angels parish in the Bronzeville neighborhood, has returned to the parish at the request of his former parishioners to talk to children at Holy Angels School, said the Rev. Robert Miller, Holy Angels' current pastor.

"He comes by at the invitation of the staff, principal and teachers to come by and say something to the kids," Miller said. "He has friends, he has family, he comes back, they say hello to him, they say 'Father John, come in. I want you to sit and talk to the kids, the kids need to hear this. The pregnancy rates are up, gang activity, come on. Talk to the kids about what's important in life.'"

On some of his visits, the 56-year-old Calicott, who could not be reached for comment, also talked to Holy Angels students about sexually transmitted diseases, drug use, gang violence, and other problems facing their community, Miller said.

"He's not supposed to be doing that," said Jim Dwyer, spokesman for the Chicago Archdiocese. "It's my understanding that he's never alone with minors. If he were, that would be a violation. . . . We're going to spend a lot of time [today] trying to figure out what's going on here."

The problem is, according to new church policies passed by the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops in June 2002, any priest with even a single credible allegation of sexual misconduct with children against

him must be removed permanently from ministry. The policies further say that accused priests may not function as a priest, wear priestly garb, serve in any public ministry or celebrate mass publicly.

Calicott is accused of engaging in sexual misconduct with two teenage boys almost 30 years ago. Since his removal in the summer of 2002, Calicott has been living in a "monitored setting" in a retreat house at Mundelein Seminary, where he must account for his whereabouts at all times, archdiocesan officials said.

Calicott is appealing his removal from ministry to the Vatican.

"As I interpret the guidelines, there is no real clear delineation because it says there is no active public ministry," Miller said. "As I interpret ministry, [Calicott's school visits are] not active public ministry. He does not dress as a priest, he's not acting as a priest, he's not acting as a pastor. He's acting as a man who's well-loved in his community, who comes by. I mean, what is he expected to do? He's supposed to sit and play tidlywinks all day long?"



Robert Miller
Current pastor

Cardinal Joseph Bernardin removed Calicott from ministry at Holy Angels for the first time in 1994 after two men made allegations of sexual misconduct against the priest dating from 1976, when he was assigned to St. Ailbe parish.

In a June 2002 interview with the Sun-Times, Calicott said he takes "full, complete and total responsibility" for engaging in sexual misconduct with two teenage boys in 1976.

After Holy Angels parishioners pleaded for his return, Bernardin reassigned him to the parish in 1995, saying he believed Calicott no longer posed a threat to children. Calicott remained as pastor of Holy Angels until last year, when new national church policies governing

the handling of sex abuse cases were written.

As they had when he was removed from ministry in 1994, many Holy Angels parishioners spoke out publicly in defense of their pastor, asking Cardinal Francis George to allow him to stay as pastor.

"They keep inviting him back," Dwyer said. "There are still a lot of people there who want him to be pastor, but that's not going to happen."

Calicott does have permission to

attend mass at Holy Angels, Dwyer said.

"That's appropriate," he said.

Rex Alexander, a lifelong friend of Calicott and a consultant at Holy Angels School, said he sees nothing wrong with the former pastor returning to visit his beloved parish and the parishioners who love him.

"The one thing missing in the African-American community is a male role model," Alexander said. "And then we get a male role model. And every time we get one,

something happens to him, somebody has to criticize it."

Barbara Blaine, founder of the advocacy group Survivors Network for those Abused by Priests, said the fact that Calicott freely visits Holy Angels School shows a breakdown in church policy and its monitoring of abusive priests.

"It's a major concern because of the message that this gives to the children as well as to other child molesters out there," Blaine said.

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Accused priest lecturing kids about sex

January 22, 2004

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Calicott, 56, said teachers at Holy Angels had asked him to talk to students about sexuality and Catholic moral teaching, something he used to do regularly with the seventh-grade class when he was pastor.

"I'm not going to run from the word 'sex,'" Calicott said. "If a child has a question about sex, I'm going to try to answer it within the context of Catholic sexual morality. I'm not going to run from that."

"I go to mass at Holy Angels Church. If a kid comes up and hugs me, I'm going to hug that kid," he said. "If I thought I was a risk to kids, I wouldn't be in ministry."

While Calicott is never alone with the students on his visits to Holy Name, still "he's not supposed to be doing that," said Jim Dwyer, spokesman for the Chicago Archdiocese. "We're going to spend a lot of time [today] trying to figure out what's going on here."

The problem is, according to new church policies passed by the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops in June 2002, any priest with even a single credible allegation of sexual misconduct with children against him must be removed permanently from ministry.

The policies, crafted in response to the worst clergy sex abuse scandal in American history, further say that accused priests may not function as clergy, wear priestly garb, serve in any public ministry or celebrate mass publicly.

Calicott is accused of engaging in sexual misconduct with two teenage boys almost 30 years ago. Since his removal in summer 2002, Calicott has been living in a "monitored setting" in a retreat house at Mundelein Seminary, archdiocesan officials said.

Calicott, who has appealed his removal from ministry to the Vatican, does have permission to attend mass at Holy Angels, Dwyer said.

"He does not dress as a priest, he's not acting as a priest, he's not acting as a pastor," Miller said of Calicott on his visits to Holy Angels School. "He's acting as a man who's well-loved in his community, who comes by. I mean, what is he expected to do? He's supposed to sit and play tiddlywinks all day long?"

Cardinal Joseph Bernardin removed Calicott from ministry at Holy Angels for the first time in 1994 after two men alleged that Calicott had engaged in inappropriate sexual contact with them in 1976, when he was a priest at St. Ailbe parish. In a June 2002 interview with the Chicago Sun-Times, Calicott said he takes "full, complete and total responsibility" for sexual misconduct with the two boys.

After Holy Angels parishioners pleaded for his return, Bernardin reassigned Calicott to the parish in 1995, saying he believed the priest no longer posed a threat to children. Calicott remained as pastor of Holy Angels until last year, when the new national church policies governing the

handling of sex abuse cases were written.

"Father John's life is back there," said Rex Alexander, former president of the parish school's advisory board. "That's where he was born and raised and his family is from. To come back and visit, I see nothing wrong with that.

"The one thing missing in the African-American community is a male role model," Alexander said. "And then we get a male role model. And every time we get one, something happens to him, somebody has to criticize it."

Barbara Blaine, founder of the advocacy group Survivors Network for those Abused by Priests, said the fact that Calicott freely visits Holy Angels School shows a breakdown in church policy and its monitoring of abusive priests.

"Nothing proves how little has changed in the church more than this," Blaine said. "This proves that no one can be monitored 24 hours a day. . . . This shows the whole system is broken down, and that policies and paperwork are meaningless."

Calicott's situation is "an anomaly," Dwyer said. "There are still a lot of people who want him to be pastor, but that's not going to happen."

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Sex Abuse Victims Seek Discipline of Chicago Pastor

SNAP Members Upset Because Perpetrator Teaches Sex Ed

Group asks Cardinal George For Public Apology

JANUARY 22, 2004 - Leaders of a support group for clergy sex abuse victims are demanding a public apology from Cardinal Francis George and the removal of a popular pastor who invited a suspended abusive priest to teach sex education and religion to children.

In an interview last night with WMAQ's Mary Ann Ahern, Father Robert Miller, pastor of Holy Angels parish, admitted he invited a controversial, twice-acused priest to work at the parish school. "This dangerous move violates every promise Bishops made to keep known or suspected child molesting clergy away from kids," said Don Robinson of Chicago, a local SNAP leader.

Miller allowed Father John Calicott to teach youngsters despite Calicott's removal from ministry by two Cardinals: Cardinal Joseph Bernadin and Cardinal Francis George.

"There is no exception in the so-called zero tolerance policy for abusive priests who happen to be popular", Robinson said. It is just dangerous to have Calicott around children. Cardinal George should publicly condemn this betrayal, apologize to Chicago-area Catholics and also remove Father Robert Miller as pastor.

Robinson pointed out that now, more than ever, it is crucial that anyone who experienced, witnessed or suspected abuse by Calicott to report it immediately to police. Clearly the current monitoring system established by the Archdiocese is not working.

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IN THE NAME OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY. AMEN.

Considering that on April 6, 1994, the Professional Fitness Review Board, now known as the Professional Responsibility Board, of the Archdiocese of Chicago in a First Stage Review had found that allegations of sexual misconduct with two minors against the Rev. John Calicott, the pastor of Holy Angels parish (Chicago), were of such believability that the Rev. John Calicott was immediately removed from ministry, and that Joseph Cardinal Bernardin, then Archbishop of Chicago, had accepted that finding and disposition;

Considering that after further investigation, on March 18, 1995, the Professional Fitness Review Board in a Second Stage Review had found that the aforementioned allegations were credible and determined that it was not reasonable to return the Rev. John Calicott to ministry at that time, and that Cardinal Bernardin had accepted that determination;

Considering that the Professional Fitness Review Board conducted a series of Supplementary Reviews on May 16, 1998, June 27, 1998 and September 18, 1999 which addressed the question of the Rev. John Calicott's continuation in ministry but did not dispute the credibility of the original allegations or the reasonableness of the earlier findings of the aforementioned Board;

Given that on May 23, 2003 in accord with Canon 1717, I decreed the instruction of a canonical Preliminary Investigation of all the allegations of sexual abuse against minors which have been made against the Rev. John Calicott, given that on July 14, 2003 I accepted the findings of the Preliminary Investigation that the allegations did have the required semblance of truth, and given that the matter has been commended to the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith as required by US Norm 6 and Article 13 of the Procedural Norms of *Sacramentorum Sanctitatis Tutela*;

Given that also on May 23, 2003 in accord with Canon 49, I issued a precept which enjoined the Rev. John Calicott, among other things, not to exercise the rights of any ecclesiastical office and to observe the Individual Specific Protocol which in the practice of this Archdiocese secures his refraining from ministry until the canonical processes are completed;

Given that once the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith has been notified, the US Norm 6 enjoins the Ordinary to apply the precautionary measures mentioned in Canon 1722, which are to exclude the accused from the sacred ministry, from ecclesiastical office and function, to impose or forbid residence in some place or territory, and to prohibit public participation in the Most Holy Eucharist in order to prevent scandals, to protect the freedom of witnesses and to guard the course of justice;

Troubled by the credible reports that I have received concerning the continued presence of the Rev. John Calicott at Holy Angels parish at Eucharistic celebrations, in the rectory, in the parochial school and at other parish functions, and concerned about the credible reports that I have received about his presence at educational sites beyond Holy Angels parish;

Gravely concerned about the disruption of the pastoral care of the parishioners of Holy Angels parish, about the scandal caused to the faithful of the Archdiocese of Chicago, about the diminishment of the credibility of the Church before the general population of this metropolitan area by the recent publicity of the continued presence of the Rev. John Calicott at Holy Angels parish,

Heedful that the Rev. John Calicott had been admonished about his deportment which implies ministry, as well as about his questionable compliance with the Individual Specific Protocols, by my Vicar for Clergy, the Rev. James Kaczorowski, and by the Professional Responsibility Review Board Administrator, Ms. Leah McCluskey MSW, LCSW, and thus the Rev. John Calicott has been lawfully cited,

Observing that I have consulted the Promoter of Justice, the Rev. Daniel A. Smilanic JCD in this matter;

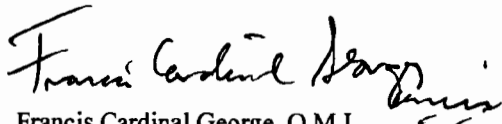
Having come to the determination that it is of a pressing necessity to prevent scandal, as well as for his own security, that the Rev. John Calicott not be physically present in Holy Angels parish or involve himself in any activity which might have any appearance of public ministry;

Conscious that I have provided for the canonical maintenance and sustenance of the Rev. John Calicott at Koenig Hall of the Cardinal Stritch Retreat House in Mundelein, Illinois in accord with Canons 281 and 1350;

I, Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I., by the grace of God and the Apostolic See Archbishop of Chicago, invoke Canon 1722 and

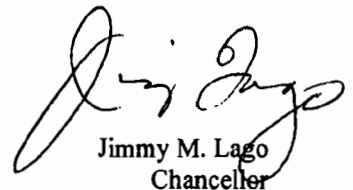
do hereby forbid the Rev. John Calicott from being present in any way at any time on the property of Holy Angels parish in Chicago, from attending any Eucharist celebrated in Holy Angels Church, from ever going into the Holy Angels parochial school, from being physically within the canonical territorial boundaries of Holy Angels parish in Chicago and from being physically within any school, parochial or otherwise, primary or secondary, in the Archdiocese of Chicago, and I further forbid him from engaging in any behavior which might imply, suggest, infer, or simulate sacred ministry until the canonical processes directed by the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith are completed.

This decree is effective immediately. I direct that this decree be communicated without delay to the Rev. John Calicott, to his Canonical Advocate and to his Civil Legal Counsel.



Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I.
Archbishop of Chicago

(seal)



Jimmy M. Lago
Chancellor

JANUARY 23, 2004

Accused ex-pastor invited to teach kids

Priest considered to be a role model

By Geneive Abdo
Tribune religion reporter 1/23

Popular support for a Chicago priest accused of sex abuse has posed a rare question for archdiocese officials as they struggle to regain public confidence after a church-wide scandal: What happens when a parish invites the priest back into the community?

The Catholic Archdiocese of Chicago is reviewing allegations that John Calicott, former pastor of Holy Angels Catholic Church, was invited to give lectures to young students during social studies classes at the parish school over the last 16 months.

Calicott, 56, who was removed from ministry in 2002, is banned from teaching, saying mass or even wearing a collar, according to rules approved by the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops that require priests who have committed abuse to be removed from ministry. The dismissal means they are banned from performing any duties of the priesthood.

"If he has indeed been teaching, then this is a violation of the charter," Jim Dwyer, a spokesman for the archdiocese, said Thursday, adding that the archdiocese has begun a review of the matter but has not launched an investigation.

Unlike most priests accused of sex abuse, Calicott is considered a role model in the parish's South Side community, which is seemingly unfazed by 30-year-old sex abuse allegations against him.

"He was invited to talk to the students about different social problems that concern African-American youth," Rev. Robert Miller, the administrator at Holy Angels, said Thursday, adding that Calicott was never alone with the students.

"He didn't do it as the pastor. He doesn't wear his clerical clothes. This is just a man talking to black youth," he said.

Miller said the parish is waiting for word from church officials as to whether Calicott's lectures violated church regulations.

"There is nothing secretive about his presence in the church community," Dwyer said. "Obviously we are concerned with what the parish wants. Cardinal [Francis] George understands the desires of parishioners, but we have to comply with the charter."

After two men alleged that Calicott had abused them in 1976, Cardinal Joseph Bernardin removed him from ministry at Holy Angels in 1994. But after parishioners begged for his return and [redacted]

[redacted] indicated Calicott posed "no significant risk to children," Bernardin reinstated him in 1995.

After the bishops approved the new restrictions in 2002, George removed Calicott as pastor in June of that year. Calicott now lives in a residence where he is monitored, said Miller.

Barbara Blaine, a leader in the advocacy group Survivors Network for those Abused by Priests, said Calicott should not be allowed to teach or have contact with the parish.

"Most parishes want these priests there, but it is against the bishops' policy," Blaine said. "We believe they can find other teachers beside child molesters."

Priest investigated:

Chicago Archdiocese officials are investigating whether a priest removed from ministry over allegations of sexual misconduct violated policy by talking to students at his former parish school about topics including sexually transmitted diseases. The Rev. John Calicott has several times since he was last removed from ministry in 2002 returned to Holy Angels parish and talked to school children, the Rev. Robert Miller, pastor of the South Side church, according to a published report. Miller said that on some of his visits, Calicott, 56, has discussed sexually transmitted diseases,

drug use and other issues. Under church policies, accused priests may not function as priests, dress as priests, celebrate Mass publicly or serve in any public ministry. "It appears he's violated protocol," said Jim Dwyer, a spokesman for the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Chicago. Calicott is appealing his removal. *Herold 1/23*

Priest ran afoul of policy on abusers, archdiocese says

Accepting invitation to lecture parish kids on sex called violation

Cathleen Falsani
BY CATHLEEN FALSANI
Religion Reporter

The Rev. John Calicott, a Roman Catholic priest who was removed from ministry because of sexual misconduct with minors, clearly violated church policy by

returning to his former parish to talk to school children about sexuality, the chancellor of the Archdiocese of Chicago said Thursday.

"We believe teaching and involvement in the classroom is ministry, and Father John, if he was in the classroom teaching, should not be involved in ministry," Chancellor Jimmy Lago said. "Clearly this was a violation of his protocol and of his instructions from Cardinal [Francis] George to withdraw from public ministry."

Calicott, 56, has admitted to en-

gaging in sexual misconduct with two teenage boys in 1976. George removed him from ministry at Holy Angels parish 18 months ago. But at the request of his former parishioners and staff, Calicott has returned to Holy Angels School on several occasions to lecture students about sexuality, drugs, violence and other issues facing their community.

Lago said Thursday that the archdiocese also recently learned that Calicott, who has lived in a "monitored setting" in a retreat house on the campus of Mundelein

Seminary since his removal in 2002, "spends some time at the parish every day, or most days . . . doing some of his own work in the parish."

In 1994, Cardinal Joseph Bernardin removed Calicott from ministry when the allegations of abuse were made, and sent the priest, who was by then pastor of Holy Angels parish in Chicago's Bronzeville neighborhood, for

for more than a year.

After Holy Angels parishioners pleaded with Bernardin to return Calicott to their pulpit, the late cardinal reinstated Calicott, saying he no longer believed the priest posed any threat to children.

But in 2002, after the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops adopted new policies governing the handling of cases of clergy sexual abuse of children in response to the worst clergy sex abuse scandal in American history, Cardinal George once again removed Calicott from ministry.

The new policies, adopted by the bishops in June 2002, mandate that any priest who has had even one credible allegation of sexual misconduct with children brought against him be removed permanently from public ministry. Such priests are prohibited from wearing clerical garb, presenting themselves as priests, celebrating mass publicly or engaging in any kind of public ministry.

The Rev. Robert Miller, administrator of Holy Angels since Calicott's removal, has said he fully supports Calicott — whom he calls a role model and one of the most

highly respected priests in Chicago — visiting the parish and addressing school students.

"As I interpret the [bishops'] guidelines, there is no real delineation because it says there is no active ministry," Miller said. "As I interpret ministry, [Calicott's school visits are] not active public ministry."

Miller has no business making such a judgment, Lago said.

"Clearly it's not up to the local administrator, Father Bob Miller, to decide what the interpretation of the [policy] is, what the elements of [Calicott's] protocol are, nor what the interpretations of Father Calicott's situation are," Lago said. "That is not something that's up to local interpretation."

George, who was traveling back to Chicago from Washington, D.C., and was not available for comment, intends to speak to Calicott in the next few days, Lago said.

"[The cardinal] agrees that it is a violation," Lago said. "There are boundaries . . . that have been crossed here and we need to correct those."

Don Robinson, a spokesman for the Chicago chapter of the support group Survivors Network for those Abused by Priests, said, "There is no exception in the so-called zero-tolerance policy for abusive priests who happen to be popular."

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Archdiocese head says removed priest violated policy

Friday January 23, 2004

CHICAGO (AP) A priest removed from his ministry over allegations of sexual misconduct violated policy by talking to students at his former parish school, the chancellor of the Archdiocese of Chicago said.

The Rev. John Calicott acted against instructions from the archdiocese to withdraw from the public ministry when he gave lectures to students about topics including sexually transmitted diseases at the Holy Angels parish, Chancellor Jimmy Lago said Thursday.

"We believe teaching and involvement in the classroom is ministry, and Father John, if he was in the classroom teaching, should not be involved in ministry," Lago said. "Clearly, this was a violation of his protocol and of his instructions from Cardinal (Francis) George to withdraw from the public ministry."

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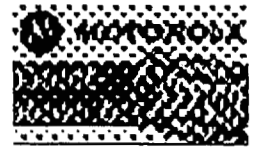
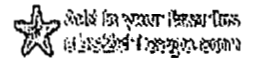
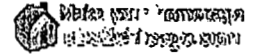
Under church policies, accused priests may not function as priests, dress as priests, celebrate Mass publicly or serve in any public ministry, church officials said.

Calicott, who lives in a monitored setting on the grounds of a seminary in suburban Chicago, could not be reached for comment Friday morning. A message left at the retreat house at the Mundelein Seminary by The Associated Press was not immediately returned.

Calicott was first removed from ministry in the 1990s during the tenure of the late Cardinal Joseph Bernardin after allegations of past sexual misconduct with two teenage boys. Bernardin subsequently reinstated him about 18 months later because [redacted] found Calicott posed "no significant risk to children" if he [redacted]

In 2002, Calicott was one of five priests barred by the archdiocese from pastoral duties as part of the archdiocese's effort to conform to new national church policies regarding accused priests.

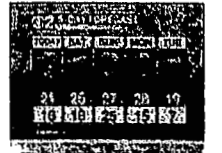
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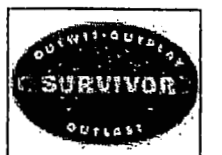
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Archdiocese spokesman Jim Dwyer said the decree goes further than just blocking Calicott from returning to a classroom.

"The statement means he can't go to mass there either," he said.

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The Rev. Robert Miller, administrator of Holy Angels since Calicott's removal, has said he fully supports Calicott's recent visits to the parish. On Friday night, Miller said he had spoken to George in recent days but had not been formally notified of his decision.

"At such time as we do receive it, we'll respond," Miller said.

Since his removal from Holy Angels 18 months ago, Calicott has been living in a "monitored setting" at a Mundelein seminary, where he is supposed to account for his comings and goings.

"He wasn't being straight with the monitor," Dwyer said. "We knew he was visiting the parish; he just wasn't supposed to be around children."

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Ousted priest barred from his old parish

January 25, 2004

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Priest balks at George's order

Cleric told to steer clear of church

By **Manya A. Brachear**
Tribune staff reporter 1/25

A popular priest who was removed from public ministry over allegations of abuse said Saturday that he may remain active in his South Side parish despite an order from Cardinal Francis George to stay away until the Vatican decides his appeal.

Rev. John Calicott, 56, said he does not wear a collar and has not said mass since his removal from ministry in 2002 because of misconduct that allegedly occurred 28 years ago. But he has mentored young

men who plan to go to college or become Eagle Scouts. He also has addressed 7th graders at Holy Angels Catholic School on the morality of human sexuality and other topics. And although he is required to live at a monitored facility in Mundelein, he said Saturday that he spends three to four nights a week at the Holy Angels church rectory in Bronzeville.

Parish administrator Rev. Robert Miller said Calicott is still considered the pastor of Holy Angels, 607 E. Oakwood

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Tribune file photo

Rev. John Calicott, who led Holy Angels Catholic Church, shown in 2002, is appealing his removal from public ministry over abuse allegations.

Archdiocese finds adman to help improve its image

By **Geneive Abdo**
Tribune religion reporter 1/25

Ferdia Doherty's advertising clients include a posh Italian hair salon and spa, a national brewery, and a social network for Irish singles.

So when he saw a notice in a trade magazine that the Catholic Archdiocese of Chicago was seeking an agency willing to donate work to help improve its image, he was tempted to turn the page. But then he read the fine print: "We of-

fer eternal salvation."

"I thought I'd give it a try. I thought I'd give something back to the church," said Doherty, whose first name in Gaelic means "man of God."

On Monday, Doherty will begin distributing a four-page booklet to priests in the Chicago archdiocese in hopes of inspiring them to inspire their parishioners to give money to the Annual Catholic Appeal, a charity campaign.

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Blvd. Calicott said that he is innocent of the abuse allegations and that

proved he was not a risk to children. He has appealed to the Vatican to be reinstated.

"You have rights under the code of canon law," Calicott said during an interview Saturday at the rectory. "I've honestly tried to discern what is public ministry. I've got to stand before Jesus one day too."

The cardinal issued a decree Friday after he learned that Calicott had appeared before the parish school class. Calicott said he was invited there by teachers who were unable to answer all the students' inquiries.

"Kids had questions they needed a black man to answer," said Calicott, who grew up in the neighborhood. "Given what AIDS and teen pregnancy are doing to my community, I'm not going to apologize for that."

In a statement, George said that Calicott's activities violated rules adopted by the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops in June 2002. According to the decree, effective immediately, Calicott cannot teach in or visit any school and must "absent himself from Holy Angels Parish until his case is fully adjudicated,"

the statement said.

Calicott said he would continue his activities until he receives the order in writing, at which time he will explore his options with a canonical advocate.

He does not believe the church has a right to ban him from a house of worship.

"I'm going to continue to push the archdiocese's buttons on human rights," Calicott said. He plans to attend mass Sunday, he said.

Before the decree, Calicott had been permitted to attend mass at Holy Angels as a parishioner. He also is required to be in the presence of an archdiocesan monitor. Miller has been that monitor since 1995.

Every month, Miller said, he prepares a formal report on Calicott's activities and submits them to a review board.

"This man's life is an open book," he said. "I would have reported anything out of the ordinary."

Calicott continues to be a role model for the community, Miller said. "We're in a massive depression because [Calicott] has been removed for 16 months and [there's] no progress in Rome," he said, referring to the appeal.

Parishioners say their priest is a victim of double jeopardy. After two men alleged that Calicott had abused them in 1976, Cardinal Joseph Bernardin removed him from ministry at Holy Angels in 1994.

But after concluded that Calicott posed "no significant risk to children," Bernardin reinstated him in 1995.

Leroy Gill Jr., 46, a member of

the church for 18 years, said the congregation understood when Calicott was removed from ministry the first time.

"You do want a process that's good for everybody," Gill said.

But the second removal seems unjust, he said.

Gill recalled the first time he saw Calicott raise his hands in praise from pews at the rear of the sanctuary and receive communion from a Eucharistic minister with the congregation after he was removed in June 2002.

"Here we have our spiritual leader being stripped of his ministry, which is his life," Gill said. "Here a layperson is giving him the body of Jesus Christ. I cried the first time I saw it happen."

Barbara Blaine, founder of the Chicago-based Survivors Network for those Abused by Priests, said that in addition to Calicott, Miller should also be removed from ministry.

"Even if another child had been molested, no other child was going to feel safe coming forward in the environment at Holy Angels, which was that Father Calicott had done no wrong," Blaine said. "If someone like him can be found around kids, what about the quiet ones, what about the unknown ones?"

Gill said he is proud of both pastors, especially Calicott.

"That man is not sitting back at Mundelein eating breakfast, lunch and dinner—he's still moving forward," Gill said. "He's still on the battlefield. That tells a lot about the man."

Tribune staff reporter Hal Dardick contributed to this report.

Troubled priest hospitalized

Holy Angels rallies to support stricken clergyman

By H. Gregory Meyer

Tribune staff reporter 11/26

A beleaguered Catholic priest spent Sunday in a hospital instead of the Bronzeville church he is banished from, but the change of plans only emboldened more than 100 parishioners to use a midday mass to rally on his behalf.

Rev. John Calicott, 56, was hospitalized with heart palpi-

tations after he attended the Saturday funeral of a member of Holy Angels Catholic Church, 607 E. Oakwood Blvd.

Calicott was removed from ministry at Holy Angels Parish in 2002 after U.S. bishops drafted new rules on sex abuse.

Rev. Robert Miller, parish administrator, said Calicott was in stable condition in Mercy Hospital and Medical Center. He was expected to un-

dergo tests and observation through Monday, church officials said.

Saturday ended a week of tumult in which Cardinal Francis George ordered that Calicott "must absent himself" from the church he once led after reports surfaced that he was giving lectures to Catholic schoolchildren.

In an interview Saturday, Calicott said he planned to stay active in the parish until



Rev. John Calicott was removed from ministry at Holy Angels in 2002 after U.S. bishops drafted new rules on sex abuse.

the cardinal's order arrived in writing, including attending mass Sunday.

"It's been an enormously stressful week," Miller said outside the church Sunday. "With all the stuff happening

to him, he's very torn emotionally about what's going on. It's been a very, very challenging week for him."

Calicott was mentioned several times at the mass he missed. In a prayer, a woman described what she called "this modern-day crucifixion on Father John." In Calicott's absence, Miller laid his hand on the sash across Deacon Dexter Watson's shoulder and said, "I want to pray for him by proxy."

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PRIEST: Parishioners say allegations 'unfounded'

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Roughly 150 parishioners reached with open hands toward the deacon. A woman wept in a pew.

"We are about truth here, Lord, and the truth will prevail in the end. The truth will set us free," Miller said.

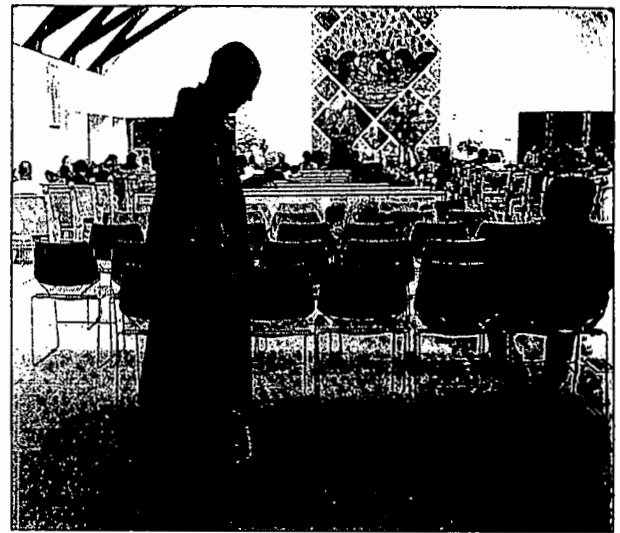
Calicott had been removed from his post at Holy Angels once before, in 1994. When then-Cardinal Joseph Bernardin reinstated him in 1995, he made an exception for the popular clergyman, saying Calicott posed no "significant risk to children" if he

At the time, Calicott publicly acknowledged sexual misconduct with two minors who, according to the Catholic Archdiocese of Chicago, were 15 years old when the incident occurred in 1976.

James Dwyer, an archdiocese spokesman, said Calicott signed a covenant in 1995 admitting to misconduct.

A written statement that ushers passed to parishioners Sunday said that although Holy Angels members "have the greatest empathy and compassion for true victims of clerical sexual abuse," they "wholeheartedly believe in the innocence of Father Calicott of the now-repudiated allegations brought against him."

"The tidal wave is sweeping



Tribune photo by José Moré

Rev. Robert Miller, parish administrator at Holy Angels Catholic Church, 607 E. Oakwood Blvd., says of Rev. John Calicott: "It's been a very, very challenging week for him."

'The tidal wave is sweeping up some innocent people in its path.'

—Rev. Robert Miller

up some innocent people in its path," Miller preached.

Interviewed before and after the mass, a number of parishioners questioned the allegations and said one of Calicott's accusers later recanted his statements.

"He's clean and always has been," said Anita Beard, 66, a Hyde Park resident. She said she would be happy to let her 9-year-old grandson be taught by Calicott. "He has never been

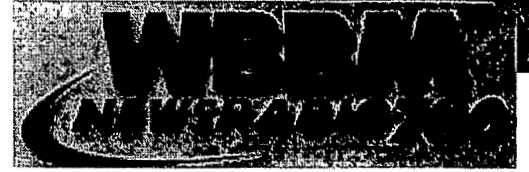
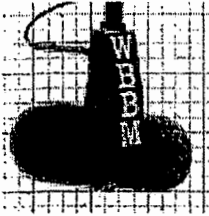
anything but a good priest. The allegations are unfounded."

"My children have been left alone with Father John before. I trust him," said Denise Thomas, another longtime parishioner.

Dozens of parishioners and most of the green-robed choir wore buttons that read "JUSTICE for Father John."

About 35 members of the church's African-American Men's Coalition attended a mass Sunday in Holy Name Cathedral, where they handed out fliers reading "Double Jeopardy Is Wrong!" and "Zero Tolerance Is Not The Best Solution!"

Dwyer said George is simply following sex-abuse rules adopted by the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops in 2002. "It is church law," he said. "There are no exceptions."



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Embattled Priest Taken To Hospital

Rev. John Calicott

Monday, January 26, 2004, 7:33 a.m.

By Steve Miller
WBBM Newsradio 780

(Chicago) -- The Chicago priest at the heart of a fresh controversy over alleged sexual misconduct was rushed to a hospital over the weekend.

Father John Calicott told **WBBM Newsradio 780** he thought it may have been heart problems that sent him to the hospital.

Calicott's story goes back to the 1970s and allegations of sexual misconduct. What Calicott told WBBM a year and a half ago was "It is something which should not have happened, that I have done."

Calicott was on leave, [redacted] then was reinstated. And in the wave of widespread allegations against priests last year, he was removed from ministry at Holy Angels.

Now he's appealing. But he's also been mentoring young people at Holy Angels.

Cardinal Francis George has ordered him to stay away from Holy Angels. Calicott was vowing to go to mass there yesterday anyway - until he was rushed to the hospital on Saturday evening.

It was Sunday morning when the Cardinal says he learned about Calicott.

"Certainly he's under a lot of strain. I think the best thing to do, however, is to go with the process, which we hope will result in a just finding."

WBBM talked to Calicott yesterday, and he said he does not agree with the Cardinal's order for him to stay away from his parish.

Parishioners rally behind priest ousted over sex abuse claims

Calicott, in hospital, denies ever admitting allegations

3 Times 11/26
BY MAUREEN O'DONNELL AND CURTIS LAWRENCE
Staff Reporters

Holy Angels parishioners rallied Sunday behind a priest removed from ministry because of sexual misconduct allegations, blaming his on-again, off-again status on disgruntled critics, troubled accusers and double jeopardy.

The priest, the Rev. John Calicott, was in Mercy Hospital on Sunday. He said he had suffered chest discomfort that may have been caused by stress — and said he has never acknowledged sexual misconduct with minors, contrary to statements from the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Chicago.

Calicott, 56, wouldn't say Sunday whether he intends to continue playing a role at the parish at 607 E. Oakwood.

"I can't say anything until I see the documentation from the bishop, and I've got to deal with canon laws and things like that," he said from his hospital room.

Some parishioners wore "Justice for Father John" buttons at Sunday mass.

"He is our spiritual leader," said LeRoy Gill, 46, who is studying to be a deacon.

"This is double jeopardy," church member Jackson Lucas said of the latest dispute.

Cardinal Francis George removed Calicott, the church pastor, from ministry in

2002 because of sexual misconduct allegations. But Calicott violated church policy, the archdiocese said Thursday, by returning to Holy Angels School to lecture students on sex and other topics.

Calicott was first removed from ministry by Cardinal Joseph Bernardin in 1994, when two men accused him of engaging in sexual misconduct nearly 20 years earlier.

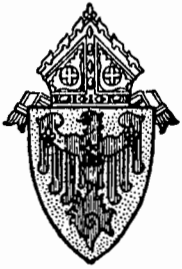
_____ and the archdiocese said Calicott had "acknowledged sexual misconduct with minors."

At the urging of church members, Bernardin allowed him to return to Holy Angels in 1995, saying _____ showed he was not a danger to children. But Calicott was removed from ministry again in 2002, this time by George, after the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops forged new policies to protect children from sexual predators among the clergy.

Calicott is appealing his removal and said Sunday he has never admitted to sexual misconduct. "I have never done that," he said. "That was a statement that was read that I neither acknowledged or condoned."

But archdiocesan spokesman Jim Dwyer said Sunday Calicott had made such an admission. George intends to follow the latest church policies regarding sexual abuse of children "without exception," Dwyer said.

Calicott said he checked into Mercy Hospital on Saturday because of "pressure on my chest and lightheadedness. . . . I'm sure stress is a part of it."



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MEMO

To: Rev. Robert Miller

From: Fr. Jim Kaczorowski

Date: January 27, 2004

Re: Rev. John Calicott

Attached is the decree regarding John Calicott. The original document is at his residence, Cardinal Stritch Retreat House. Please share with John that I spoke with Father Vann, his advocate. He has asked that John please stay away from Holy Angels Parish until he talks with him.

Know that you and John are in my prayers. Please contact me at 312-642-1837. Thank you.

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January 27, 2004

Rev. John Calicott
Post Office Box 455
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Dear Father Calicott,

I hope all is well and I regret that we were unable to meet yesterday when Rev. James T. Kaczorowski and I were at the retreat house.

As you may know, Fr. Kaczorowski and I met with several of the men yesterday who are to be adhering to the monitoring protocols. In the absence of a face to face meeting yesterday, I asked your on-site monitor, Rev. Anthony Talarico to ensure that you received an envelope with copies of the current Individual Specific Monitoring Protocols, a Daily Log form, as well as a Travel/Vacation Agreement form. These forms have been adjusted with the assistance of Rev. Daniel A. Smilanic, Promoter of Justice as a result of the feedback that many of you have provided to me in the past.

I ask that you review the aforementioned forms with your canonical advocate, Rev. Kevin Vann, as copies of this letter and the forms have been forwarded to Fr. Vann's attention. Cardinal George has agreed with the Review Board's recommendation that you review and sign the Individual Specific Protocol and return it to me no later than March 31, 2004.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at [312] 751-5205. Fr. James Kaczorowski may also be reached at [312] 642-1837.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Leah McCluskey".

Leah McCluskey
Professional Responsibility Administrator

~~Enclosures~~Cc: Rev. Kevin Vann, Canonical Advocate
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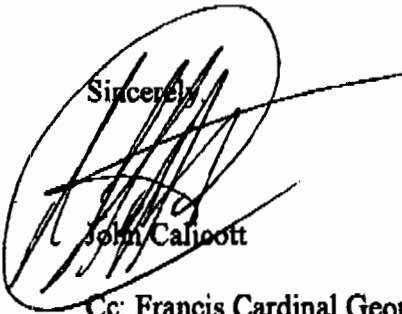
Mr. Dwyer:

I am highly suspicious of anything that I read in the press these days, so I must acknowledge that I am not sure if you are being quoted correctly. However, if you are, I should like to note:

1. I have never acknowledged nor admitted that I engaged in sexual misconduct of any nature. The 1995 statement you are so often quoted as referring to was neither crafted by me nor approved by me. And it would not have been approved by me. It was read to the parish because of an unfortunate communication error. Once the statement was out there it was deemed, at the time, to have been far easier to leave it out there than to attempt to retract it. (So much for listening to the wisdom of the so called legal and professional experts in such matters).
2. As you are neither God nor the Congregation for the Doctrine of Faith or my Cardinal Archbishop I do not understand how you can make such inflammatory statements as "There are still a lot of people there who want him to be pastor, but that's not going to happen." It is my understanding that such a determination has not yet been made by those most responsible for such a decision. And your suggestion that they have made such a decision is a disservice to them and to those who continue to hope and pray for my return as pastor.
3. While it may be true that the Dallas Norms are law, they are particular law with some very substantial murkiness relative to the universal law of the church, canon law.

Dwyer, p.2, 28 January 2004

Again, I realize that you may not have been quoted correctly or quoted out of context by a press peculiarly prone to such editorializing. If so, I apologize for the brusque tone of my letter. However, if the quotes are correct and you are a man of honor, you owe the parishioners of Holy Angels Church a public apology for such unfounded and misleading statements.

Sincerely,

John Calioott

Cc: Francis Cardinal George
Bishop Joseph Perry
Reverend James Kaczorowski
Reverend Robert Miller

From: Leah McCluskey
To: [REDACTED]
Date: 1/28/04 8:56AM
Subject: Re:

Dear [REDACTED],

I appreciate you contacting our office and sharing your strong feelings about the article and priest you referred to in your e-mail.

I assure you that Cardinal George has his own grave concerns and is very aware of the concerns of the parishioners and extended public about this matter.

Your message will be heard--thank you again for your e-mail.

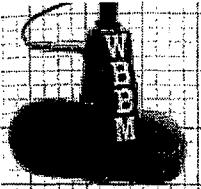
Peace,

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I was very upset when I read the article about a priest who was accused of 'sexual misconduct', a polite term for a child molester, rapist and/or adult molester, back teaching at the church. He was rightfully removed from teaching, but took his own will back. Even if he was invited, by some sick individual or individuals, he should have declined the offer. He took his own will back by returning after he was told not to teach anymore. In my opinion he is not a priest, because he did not model himself after Jesus Christ. Jesus would never had molested anyone nor did he take his will back. This was a temptation that was put in front of him by the devil himself. I am not saying I have never been tempted, but I do know when I am that prayer, communion and confession are the tools to use. I pray that he does not molest anyone else why he is doing his will. Thank you for reading my letter. God bless. [REDACTED]



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Embattled Priest To Fight Cardinal's Stay-Away Order

Wednesday, January 28, 2004, 4:23 p.m.

By Steve Miller
WBBM Newsradio 780

(Chicago) -- The Chicago priest ordered to stay away from his parish by Cardinal Francis George tells WBBM Newsradio 780 he thinks the Cardinal's action is illegal in church law.

To bring you up to date: Father John Calicott is out of the hospital, where he was treated for a racing heart rate.

Father Calicott believes stress may have been part of the problem.

Calicott was removed from public ministry almost two years ago because of sexual misconduct allegations from the '70s.

What Calicott told WBBM last year was this: "It is something which should not have happened, that I have done," he said.

Calicott says his record since then has been clean.

Although he was removed from public ministry as part of the church's zero-tolerance policy, he has been doing some mentoring of young people at his parish, Holy Angels. He says his absence would leave them without a male role model.

Cardinal Francis George has ordered Calicott to stay away from Holy Angels while Calicott's appeal is pending in Rome.

But Father Calicott tells WBBM he'll fight the Cardinal's order.

"Personally, I really believe his decree is illegal in the context of canon law. And I really intend to challenge him on that."

Calicott says he has 10 days to file an appeal to the Cardinal. He says he will stay away from Holy Angels.

He also says he's asked friends who are lawyers to look into what the civil courts have done in the past on issues like his. Not to sue the church, he says, but to add fuel to his canonical case.

Chicago Roman Catholic Archdiocese spokesman Jim Dwyer says, "the Cardinal feels the order is appropriate and he stands by it. The canonical process will run its course and we'll see what happens."

Cardinal asks Vatican to speed priest's appeal

By James Janega

Tribune staff reporter 1129

Cardinal Francis George has asked the Vatican to speed the appeal of a South Side pastor removed from ministry for charges of abuse, a spokesman for the cardinal said Wednesday.

Meanwhile, the suspended priest, Rev. John Calicott, said he would spend the coming weeks with out-of-town relatives after at first challenging last week's order from George that he "absent himself" from Holy Angels, his former parish, as his case moved forward.

Calicott's case has become a sticking point within the Catholic Archdiocese of Chicago and at Holy Angels. Though parishioners have rallied around him, rules set in 2002 by U.S. bishops in Dallas require the removal of priests found to have committed

sexual abuse.

Calicott has said he never admitted to the charges, which were brought in 1994. After

Calicott was reinstated by then-Cardinal Joseph Bernardin in 1995. He was removed by George in 2002 but has appealed his case to Rome.

"They're doing what they can to expedite procedures," archdiocesan spokesman Jim Dwyer said.

Calicott is still convalescing after having heart palpitations while attending a funeral on Saturday.

The day before, George ordered Calicott to remove himself from Holy Angels after it was discovered he had been addressing students at the parish school on youth issues that included sexuality.

Calicott also revealed last week that he had been spending as much as three nights a week at the Holy Angels rectory, in apparent defiance of an earlier order to reside at a seminary in Mundelein.

"He agreed to it," Dwyer said. Calicott said he thought spending part of the week at Holy Angels "was walking some middle ground."

Under the Dallas charter, Calicott also was supposed to refrain from ministry, which, as Dwyer said, is defined as "just about anything. And obviously, counseling students."

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Church must be firm in using abuse policy

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Parishioners at Holy Angels parish on Chicago's South Side have been rallying to the support of the Rev. John Calicott, a longtime priest at the parish who has been ordered to stay away from the church and its school because of allegations he sexually abused two boys almost 30 years ago.

The Archdiocese of Chicago last week ordered Calicott to keep away from the parish, and Cardinal Francis George issued a stern rebuke to the priest for teaching at the parish school and lecturing on sex education in violation of his 2002 removal from ministry.

In our view, Cardinal George had no alternative but to take those steps in light of the 2002 U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops charter, which forbids priests from doing active ministry work if they have been accused of sexual misconduct.

The bishops' charter was put in place primarily to protect children from possible abusers. However, it also was a way for the bishops to demonstrate to shaken church members that they were serious about tackling the problem after a series of disclosures about abuse by priests and subsequent cover-ups by members of the church hierarchy.

Calicott was first removed from ministry in 1994 by Cardinal Joseph Bernardin after two men accused him of engaging in sexual misconduct with them almost 20 years earlier, when the men were teenagers. After

Calicott was allowed by Bernardin to return to Holy Angels in 1995, and no additional allegations have been made

against him.

But in 2002, Calicott was removed from ministry again, this time by Cardinal George, after the U.S. bishops adopted their charter.

A spokesman for the archdiocese said Calicott has been visiting the parish "most days," and had permission to attend Sunday mass there. But he did not have permission to teach in the parish elementary school or to talk to students about sex education, which he was doing at the invitation of the parish administrator.

Calicott has appealed the 2002 order removing him from the ministry and is awaiting a decision. There is no precedent to suggest how long a ruling from the Vatican might take.

The archdiocese says Calicott signed a document in 1995 admitting the misconduct. Under the terms of the Dallas charter, admission of sexual misconduct requires that a priest be immediately removed from ministry. Calicott denies that he made such an admission, and insists that he has been falsely accused.

Many parishioners at Holy Angels are calling for Calicott's return, saying either that they don't believe the allegations or are confident that he poses no threat. But the archdiocese is refusing to allow it, saying that Calicott's removal must stay in effect at least until the Vatican rules on his appeal. We agree with that view.

Catholic bishops did the right thing by adopting the charter, and must enforce it without exception. That is the best way to assure decisions are made in the interest of protecting the children entrusted to the church and its clergy.

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MESSAGE:

URGENT FOR YOUR REVIEW REPLY ASAP COMMENT

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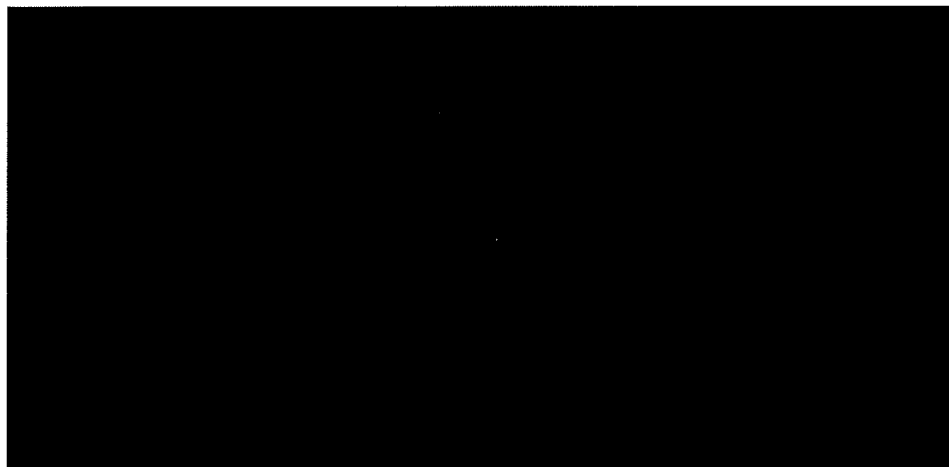


F. Vicar for Priests Agenda: January 30, 2004 11:00 a.m.

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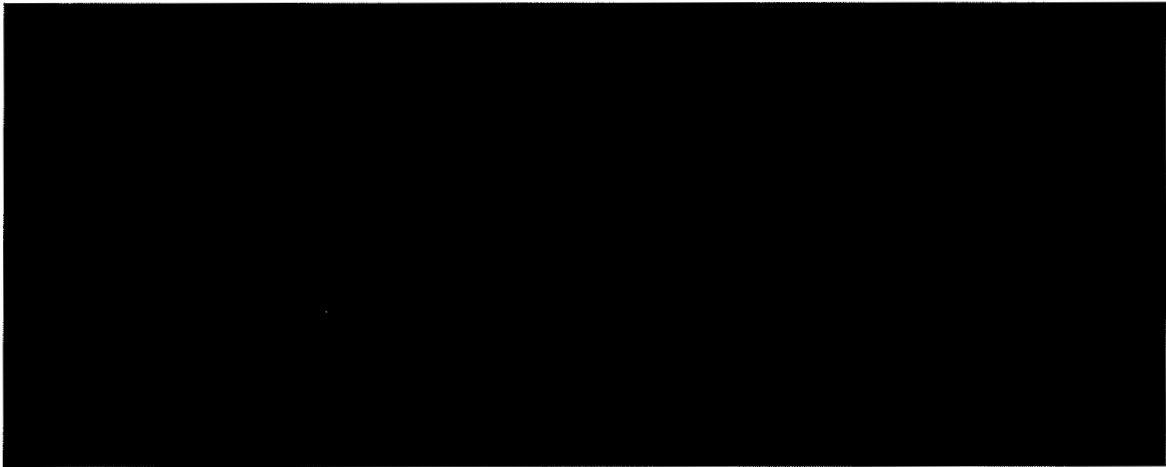


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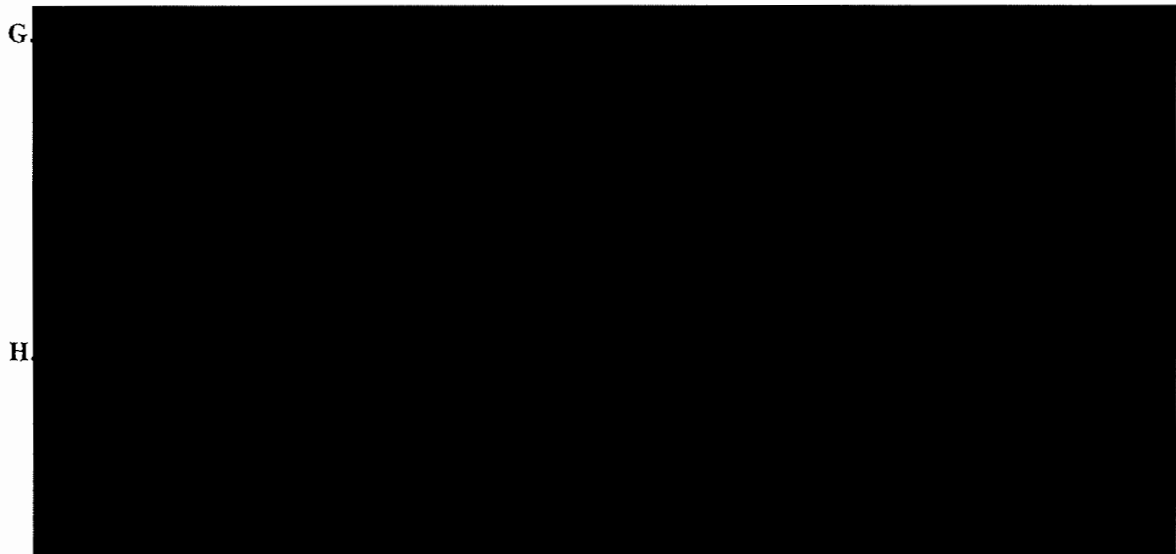


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Troubled priest lands in spotlight

Case illustrates church's challenges

By James Janega

Tribune staff reporter 2/1

As the disgraced leader of a South Side Catholic parish left town recovering from a heart condition and a public row with Cardinal Francis George, national church abuse investigators said they would look into the priest's apparent defiance of George over the last year.

Banned from living in his parish since 2002, Rev. John Calicott has frequently slept there, nevertheless.

Calicott has drawn increasing attention and irritation

among advocates for priests' rights and for victims' rights, as well as the U.S. Catholic Church's apparatus for addressing sexual abuse.

Few cases illustrate certain challenges faced by the Catholic Church as much as Calicott's.

Removed and reinstated under one set of rules in the mid-1990s, he was suspended again after the bishops' Dallas convention in 2002. His case is now under appeal in Rome, and his parish, Holy Angels Church on Chicago's South Side, is in turmoil.

Beyond the continuing



Tribune file photo by Nancy Stone

Rev. John Calicott waits to take Communion in May at Holy Angels Church, after sitting in a pew alongside parishioners. He was removed from public ministry over abuse allegations.

questions of sexual abuse and how to handle it, dealing with Calicott, a popular black pastor in one of the few thriving black parishes in Chicago, has exposed issues that lately have dogged the church in America and the Chicago archdiocese in particular:

How to reach out to African-Americans? And how to preach forgiveness under a

strict new policy of zero tolerance for abusers?

Complicating those notions is the convoluted history of how Calicott's case has been handled in Chicago.

"It's being looked at because it represents something of what has been happening in other cases as well," said Rev. Robert Silva, president of the National Federation of

Priests' Councils. "It demonstrates the whole confused way that the policy is being carried out and the confusing problems it has for the priest, for the community, and everyone."

But the case has grown more complicated in recent weeks.

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CALICOTT: Outsiders, insiders have varying views

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"Cardinal George told him he could not be there in ministry. And he's there. Sleeps there a couple times a week. Speaks to children. Is there every Sunday at mass. That's in clear violation of the charter. Does the cardinal know about it? Who's enforcing this here? Where's the enforcement?" said Illinois Appellate Judge Anne M. Burke, interim chairwoman of the National Review Board of lay people monitoring the response of Catholic bishops to the crisis.

"This is one that certainly needs to be sorted out," said Sheila Horan, deputy director of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops Office of Child and Youth Protection. "It is my intention to call the diocese and inquire as to the details."

Calicott, George agree

In a relationship that has sometimes been adversarial, sometimes supportive, Calicott and George have taken similar stances on abuse issues. They both called for leniency and forgiveness after Catholic bishops in Dallas in 2002 demanded the blanket removal of priests found to have committed sexual abuse.

But they have been at odds over how to carry on while the Vatican decides how to sort out

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the few priests who will perhaps be allowed to remain in ministry.

Meanwhile, parishioners at Holy Angels have rallied around Calicott, and in the 19 months since George ordered Calicott to leave Holy Angels

until his appeal could be concluded, Calicott has spent up to three nights a week in the church rectory.

The quiet standoff exploded last month when it was revealed Calicott, forbidden to preach or wear clerical garb, had last December addressed pupils at Holy Angels' parochial school.

A beloved pastor at a church where 500 families worship, Calicott has built on the work of Holy Angels' former leader, the charismatic Rev. George Clements. The school is among the largest in Chicago, and the parish has instilled a sense of pride in the impoverished Kenwood-Oakland neighborhood.

"We only have something in the neighborhood of 250 African-American priests in a country with a long history of racism and a church which historically has difficulty reaching African-Americans," said Rev. Raymond Kemp, senior fellow at the Woodstock Theological Center at Georgetown University.

"You've got a couple hundred people saying we want our pastor back, and those couple hundred people happen to be black in a predominantly white church, and the people who are rallying are not looking around and seeing a lot of Father Calicott's waiting to take his place," Kemp said.

Victims groups fear the fervor at Holy Angels will have a chilling effect on reporting by other sexual-abuse victims at the parish.

"One of the really untold stories behind this is how hurtful—unintentionally to be sure—these kinds of parishioners can be," said David Clohessy, national director of the Survivors Network for those Abused by Priests. "If you genuinely are Christians, you will pray for Father Calicott and mail him cookies, but you will express your concerns privately, not publicly, and make a climate conducive for victims to come forward."

The fact that Calicott was a charismatic black pastor in one of the few predominantly black churches in the archdiocese of Chicago is part of the reason his cause has been championed so loudly, said Chicago Auxiliary Bishop Joseph Perry, who oversees the vicariate that includes Holy Angels.

"No other community has placed trust in an offending priest as Holy Angels has done," he said.

But in the backs of the minds

of many at Holy Angels and elsewhere is the ambiguity surrounding the charges against Calicott in the first place. The case is complicated and unclear, and unlike many similar abuse cases, there is no corresponding criminal investigation or civil suit. The accusers have been quiet since the charges in 1994.

"The facts of the case are so elusive," Perry said. "That's hard to deal with."

The alleged abuse of two 15-year-old boys occurred in 1976, while Calicott was an associate pastor at St. Albius Church, said James Dwyer, a spokesman for the Chicago archdiocese.

Under sexual-abuse standards the archdiocese followed when the charges were made in the 1990s, then-Cardinal Joseph Bernardin allowed Calicott to return to Holy Angels as long as parishioners knew of his past and he posed no further risk to children, said former archdiocesan chancellor and current Auxiliary Bishop Thomas Paprocki.

Before that determination was made, Calicott

Calicott said. He was ordered to live with a church monitor and to have only supervised contact with children. He also had to admit he had committed sexual abuse, said Paprocki.

"When he was returned to the parish, he signed a covenant, and there was never any dispute or question but that some sexual misconduct was engaged in," Paprocki said. "It was definitely a sexual act."

Publicly, Calicott has denied that was the case but accepted responsibility for mishandling a vaguely described "process of trying to deal with a situation."

"I denied doing what the boy said, presuming what was read to me [by the archdiocese] was what the boy said I did," Calicott said in a phone interview. "Two days after this thing broke, one of the young men who made the allegations came to my rectory crying and said [the archdiocese] lied about what he said had happened."

Longtime parishioner Monica Lewers, now Calicott's spokeswoman, said the youth made another appearance at a Holy Angels mass to apologize after Calicott was returned to ministry in 1995.

Though Calicott's canon lawyer, Monsignor Kevin Vann, is

appealing to the Vatican on the basis that Calicott had already faced the charges that led to a second removal under the 2002 charter, one question that remains unresolved is if Calicott has ever admitted to the accusations.

"That's part of the murkiness of this thing: whether he admitted it or whether he didn't, whether the accuser accused him and recanted or whether the accuser accused him and kept it there," said Perry. "All that is still murky to me."

Since the Dallas charter led to Calicott's removal in 2002, Calicott, George, and others have praised the effort to protect youths from sexual abuse, but also questioned the zero-tolerance policy under which the document requires the removal of any priest credibly accused of sexual abuse in the past.

The charter appears to fly in the face of longstanding church statutes of limitation and the reopening of cases adjudicated in the past, said Monsignor Thomas Green, professor of canon law at Catholic University in Washington.

Though the Vatican has allowed abuse cases to continue despite the apparent conflicts, he said, few of the new guidelines have been set on paper.

Little published

"Right now, it's sort of word of mouth. Very little has been published," he said. "Unless you have a little clearer sense of what is happening, you're really in a quandary to figure it out."

That has been the legal backdrop against which Calicott had been returning to Holy Angels as his appeal continued in Rome.

Holy Angels administrator Rev. Bob Miller said Calicott had frequently spent the night in the rectory since his suspension in 2002. Under the early terms of his suspension, Calicott had been permitted to attend mass at Holy Angels on Sunday, said Dwyer.

But when it was revealed that Calicott had spoken to a health class in the parish school, George ordered him to "absent himself" entirely from Holy Angels until his case has been concluded in Rome.

Calicott's stance appears to have complicated an already messy situation in Chicago, said University of Massachusetts at Amherst religious sociologist Jay Demerath.

"It's a situation where there are not winners," he said.

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John Calicott [name of cleric] has informed this office that he will be traveling to [redacted] [destination address and contact phone number] from [redacted]

02 February 2004 [departure date] through 21 February 2004 [return date].

John Calicott [name of cleric] will be monitored by [redacted] [name of travel monitor]. [redacted] [name of travel monitor] has accepted the responsibility of verifying the location and activities of

John Calicott [name of cleric] during the aforementioned time frame.

[see attached correspondence]

1. Contacts with minors by John Calicott [name of cleric] must be in the presence of [redacted] [name of travel monitor]. Inappropriate situations and locations incompatible with a priestly lifestyle are to be avoided.
2. [redacted] [name of travel monitor] may be asked to attest to the activities and whereabouts of John Calicott [cleric name] over 02.04.04 - 02.21.04 [aforementioned time frame].
3. As previously noted, the date of return to John Calicott's [cleric name] residence has been scheduled for 02.21.04 [aforementioned return date].
However, due to weather conditions or emergencies that may arise, the date may be changed. In the event of such a circumstance, should the original plans be substantially changed, please contact PRA at [312] 751-5205.

Cleric Signature: [Signature] Date: 02.03.04
PRA Signature: [Signature] Date: 2/4/04

A copy of this document will be provided to the cleric. The original will be placed in the cleric's file in the Office of Professional Responsibility and a copy will be placed in the cleric's file in the Vicar for Priests' Office.

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February 6, 2004

Ms. Leah McCluskey
Office of Professional Responsibility
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Chicago, IL 60690-1979

Dear Ms. McCluskey:

This letter is to confirm my handwritten note of January 23, 2004 in response to your letter of January 20, 2004, in which you reported on the recommendation of the Professional Responsibility Review Board with regard to the current monitoring protocols for **Rev. John Calicott**.

I accept the recommendation of the Review Board that Father Calicott continue with [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] Once the canonical proceedings against him have been completed, I believe that this matter should once again be considered by the Review Board.

Thank you for the manner in which you are handling this very sensitive case.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

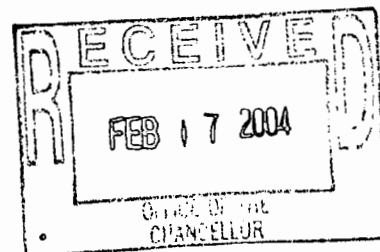
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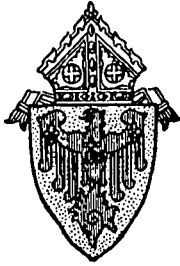
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Ecclesiastical Notary

cc: Most Reverend Edwin M. Conway, Vicar General
Rev. Daniel A. Smilanic, Cardinal's Delegate
Rev. Patrick R. Lagges, Judicial Vicar/Vicar for Canonical Services
Rev. James T. Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests
Mr. Ralph Bonaccorsi, Assistance Minister
Mr. Jimmy Lago, Chancellor
Mr. John C. O'Malley, Director of Legal Services



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February 12, 2004

Dear Leah,

I wasn't sure whether you informed the Bishop and Vicar General in the Jackson, MI diocese of John Calicott's vacation in that area until February 21, 2004. I called the Ordinary, Bishop [REDACTED], in Jackson, and the Vicar General, informing them that John Calicott will be at his mother's home during his vacation located at [REDACTED]. I further informed them that he is restricted from celebrating Mass and performing any public ministry due to sexual misconduct with minors.

If you already informed the bishop in Jackson, I'm sorry I repeated it. When I spoke with the Cardinal this afternoon, he inquired about it and requested that the matter be tended to.

Thank you for all you do. God bless you.

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February 12, 2004

Most Reverend [REDACTED]
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Jackson, MS 39225-2248

Your Excellency:

Francis Cardinal George asked me to inform you that Rev. John Calicott, a priest of the Archdiocese of Chicago is presently visiting his mother, [REDACTED] who lives in your diocese. She is located at



This visit extends until February 21, 2004. Rev. John Calicott should not publicly celebrate the Eucharist or engage in any public ministry. Father Calicott, ordained in 1974, has been accused of sexual misconduct with minors. If you or your Vicar General have any questions regarding Father Calicott, please feel free to contact any of the following persons:

Ms. Leah McCluskey
Director of Professional Responsibility
312-751-5205

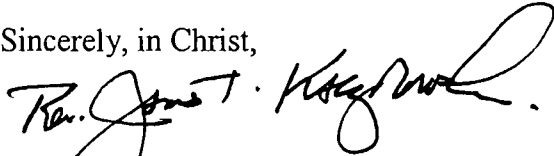
Rev. James T. Kaczorowski
Vicar for Priests
312-642-1837

Rev. Patrick Lagges, JCD
Judicial Vicar
312-751-8384

Rev. Daniel Smilanic, JCD
Adjutant Judicial Vicar
312-751-8206

This a most grave matter. Be assured of my prayers for you.

Sincerely, in Christ,

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Rev. James T. Kaczorowski
Vicar for Priests

Cc: Francis Cardinal George
Most Reverend Edwin Conway, Vicar General
Jimmy Lago, Chancellor

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155 E. Superior St.
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February 18, 2004

COPY

Rev. John Calicott
Cardinal Stritch Retreat House
P.O. Box 455
Mundelein, IL 60060

Dear John:

I am responding to your letter of February 8, 2004 in which you asked me to rescind my decree of January 23, 2004. I have taken into consideration the arguments you presented, but they do not persuade me that I should change my decision in any way. I also believe I need to correct some errors that are contained in your letter.

First, the action which I took on June 25, 2002 was not a penal action. It was a directive, under your promise of obedience to me, not to exercise ministry until your case could be resolved. This was made in virtue of my responsibility as a diocesan bishop to regulate the exercise of rights in the Archdiocese for the sake of the common good (c. 223). Since this was not the imposition of a penalty, c. 1353 cannot be used. Your appeal to the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith was recourse against an administrative decree. Therefore, the canons on administrative hierarchical recourse (cc. 1732-1739) apply. These canons do not provide for the suspension of a decree pending its appeal.

Second, we are not dealing with the actions of the Review Board that took place in 1994. As a result of their recommendations, Cardinal Bernardin decided that other means of pastoral action could be used in your case, as provided for in c. 1341. This was in place of holding a penal trial. Since a trial was never conducted, there is no question of what you called "double jeopardy." The Holy See has reiterated that unless there has been a trial, there cannot be a claim of "double jeopardy."

Third, the Essential Norms for the United States, as well as the motu proprio, *Sacramentorum sanctitatis tuela*, have clearly established that the pastoral solutions of the past are not acceptable. That is, a bishop is no longer able to continue using the provisions of c. 1341 to allow priests who have sexually abused minors to return to ministry. Thus I could not continue the provisions Cardinal Bernardin had made in your case. It was for this reason that I initiated a preliminary investigation into the matter, as I mentioned in my letter of May 27, 2003. As a result of that investigation, I concluded that your cases had to be referred to the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith for further instruction as to how to proceed. I communicated this to you in my letter of July 15, 2003.

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I also want you to be clear, John, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] The issue is whether you sexually abused the two people who have accused you of abusing them as minors; and, if so, what penalty should be imposed on you. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] The purpose of the canonical proceedings against you is to find out whether you committed an offense against the Sixth Commandment with a minor (c. 1395§2) and what the consequences might be.

Finally, the issuing of a decree according to c. 1722 is provided for in the law at the discretion of the bishop. As I wrote to you on July 15, 2003, I refrained from imposing such restrictions at that time due to the fact that you were complying with my request of June 25, 2002. When it became clear that you were no longer complying with that request, I felt it necessary to make other provisions in your case in order to preclude greater scandal among the faithful of the Archdiocese.

Therefore, I am not rescinding the decree that I issued on January 23, 2004, and I again insist that you abide by it. Since this is a decree that is specified as part of the penal process, it is not subject to appeal. Should you decide to try to appeal this anyway, please be aware that such an appeal would *not* suspend the decree.

I hope this clarifies the matter somewhat for you, John. I ask that you be patient during this time when we are awaiting further instruction from the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith. I would like to see these cases resolved quickly as well. However, I cannot act without the permission of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith; and I cannot act against the Charter and Norms which have been established by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops.

As soon as I hear from the Holy See, I will be in contact with you. In the meantime, I must insist that you abide by the terms laid out in my decree of January 23, 2004. I also ask that you remember me in your prayers, as you are always remembered in mine.

Sincerely yours in Christ,



Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I.
Archbishop of Chicago

A G E N D A

Meeting: #20th - Twentieth Board
Date: February 20, 2004
Place: Priests' Placement Board

Present: Rev.: John W. Clemens, William T. Corcoran, James Donovan,
Leonardo Gomez, Joseph P. Grembla, Thomas Hickey
David A. Jones, Robert G. Mair, Daniel J. McCormack

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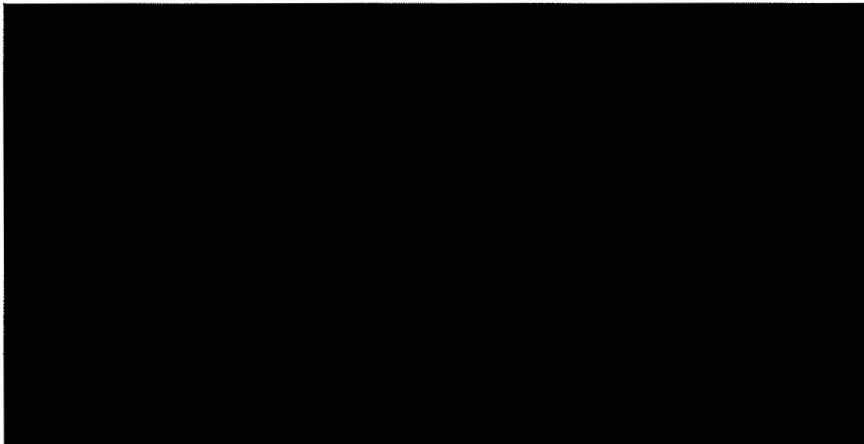


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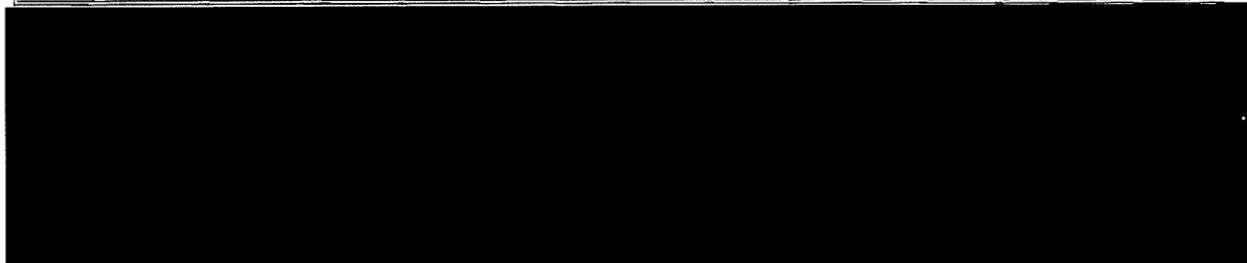
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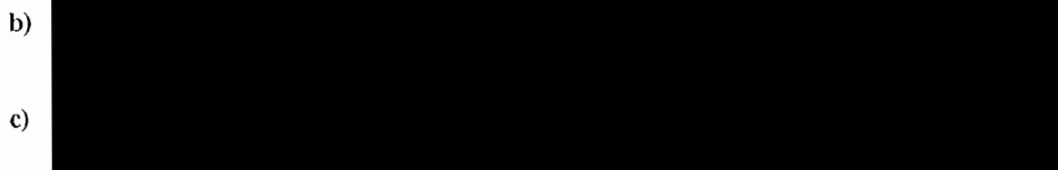
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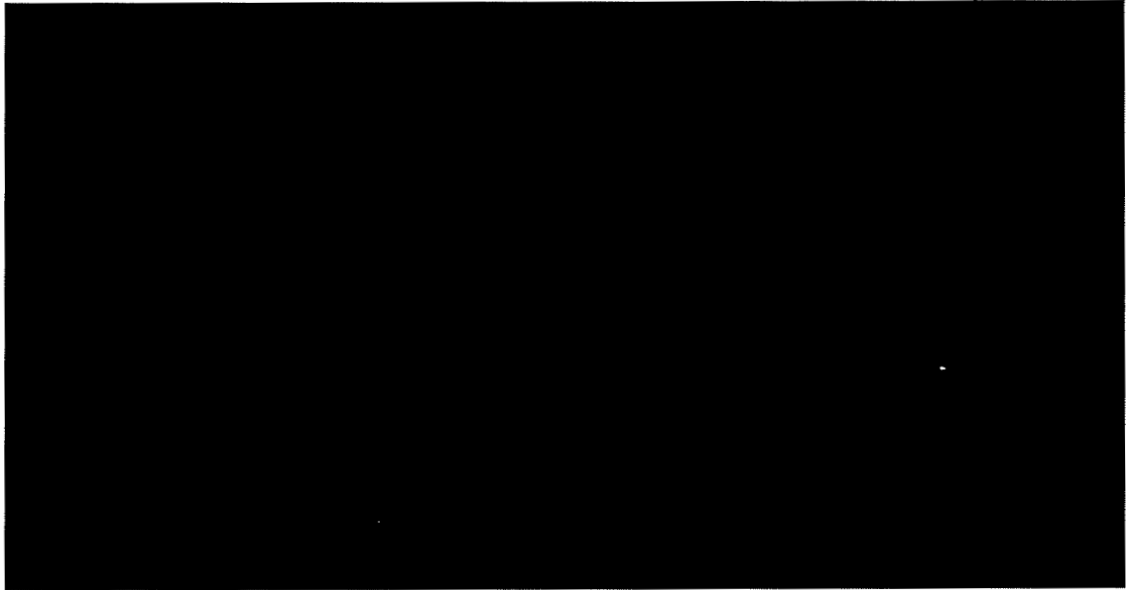


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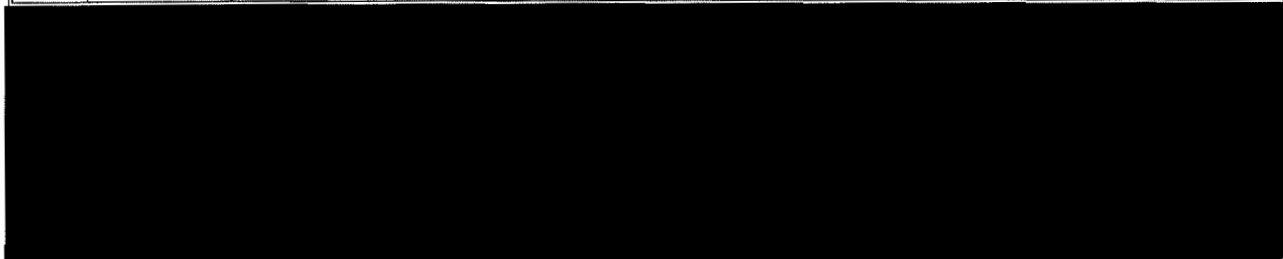
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MEMORANDUM

To: File - PFR-13

From: Review Board Meeting

Re: John Calicott (Withdrawn)

Date: February 21, 2004

A summary of the discussion of the Professional Responsibility Review Board Meeting on February 21, 2004:

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- PRA provided an update on Fr. Calicott's status, monitoring, etc.
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Professional Responsibility Review Board
Saturday, February 21, 2004- 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

MINUTES

Review Board Members Present:

[REDACTED]

Members absent:

[REDACTED]

Non-members present:

Leah McCluskey, Professional Responsibility Administrator [PRA]
Rev. Daniel Smilanic, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board

[REDACTED]

I. Approval of Minutes – January 10, 2004

- The Board requested in a unanimous 6-0 decision that a correction be made on page two, bullet point three of the January 10, 2004 minutes [see revised January 10, 2004 Minutes]

II. Update from January 10, 2004 Meeting

Rev. John Calicott

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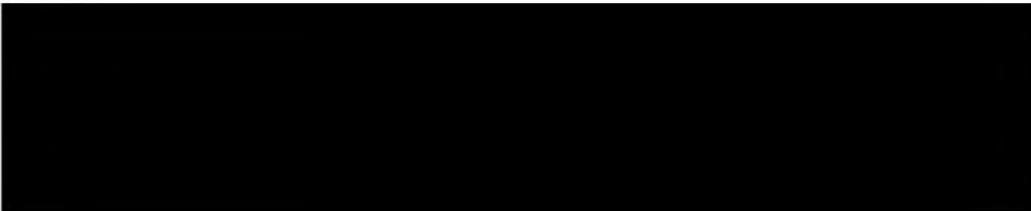
Monitoring

- PRA informed Board that Rev. Anthony Talarico will no longer be the monitor at Mundelein and will be replaced by Bishop Raymond Goedert on an interim basis until July 1, 2004
- Board informed that Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests and PRA will meet with Bishop Goedert on March 4, 2004 to discuss responsibilities of monitor
- Board informed that Fr. Kaczorowski and PRA will meet Fr. Calicott, Rev. ██████████ ██████████, and Rev. John "Jack" Keehan at Mundelein on February 23, 2004 to review Individual Specific Protocol forms and the request for compliance
- ██████████ made the suggestion that in the future, contracts for new priests would include the acknowledgment that one's pension is contingent upon his conduct
- The Board again made the overall recommendation that men withdrawn from ministry as a result of allegations of sexual misconduct need to be involved in a structured, daily routine
 - Fr. Smilanic addressed two issues that affect the recommendation of a structured routine:
 - Definition of ministry
 - Final status of each man upon the conclusion of a canonical trial



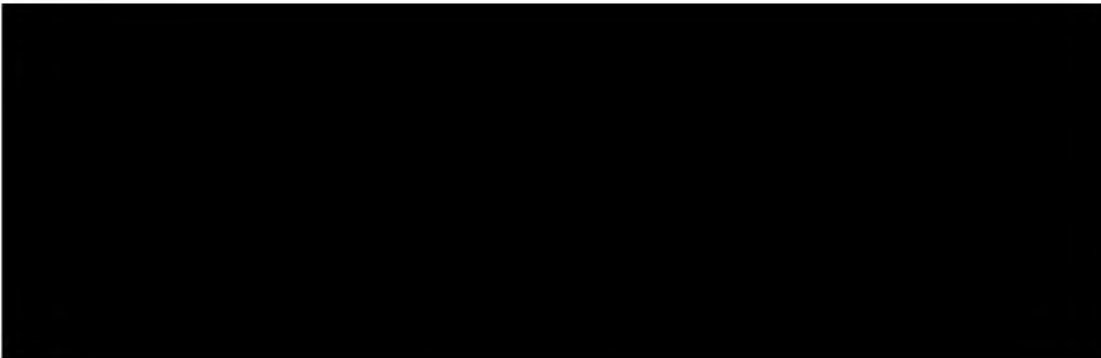
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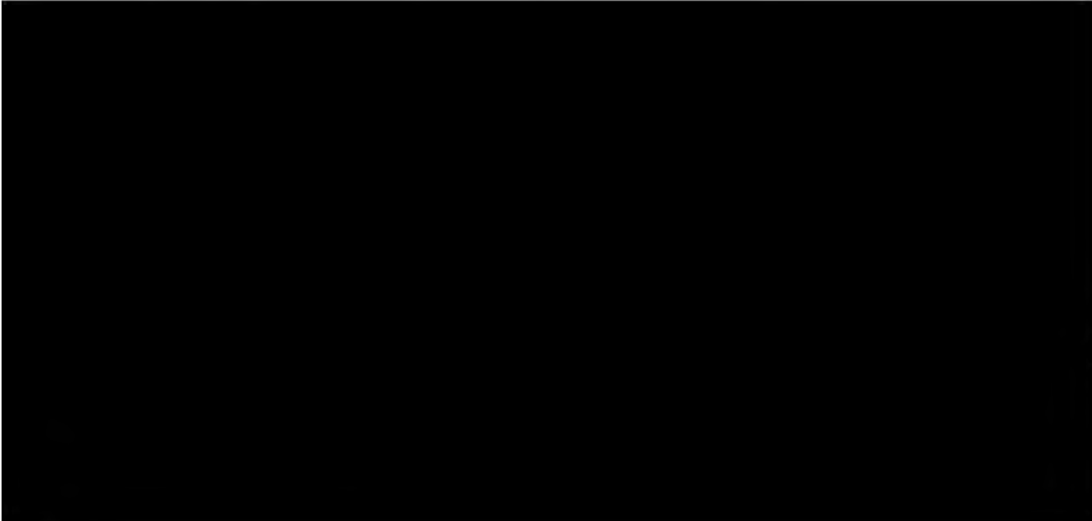
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IV. Case Updates



Rev. John Calicott [Withdrawn 1994; June 25, 2002] - PFR - 13
See above under II. Update from January 10, 2004 Meeting

V. 

VI. Other Matters

- The December 2004 Board meeting has been rescheduled for December 4, 2004

Next scheduled meeting is March 20, 2004 at 9:00 a.m.

Cc: Review Board Members
Rev. Daniel Smilanic, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board
Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests
Rev. Thomas Tivy, Vicar for Priests
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PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY REVIEW BOARD MEETING Saturday, February 21, 2004- 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

AGENDA

I. Approval of Minutes – January 10, 2004

II. Case Reviews

Preliminary Review:

A. [REDACTED]

III. Case Updates:

A. [REDACTED]

B. John Calicott (Withdrawn 1994; 6/25/02) - PFR-13

IV. Monitoring Meetings/Monitoring Update

A. [REDACTED]
B. [REDACTED]
C. [REDACTED]
D. [REDACTED]
E. [REDACTED]
F. [REDACTED]
G. [REDACTED]
H. [REDACTED]

V. [REDACTED]

VI. Update on New Allegations Received

The next scheduled Board Meeting is for Saturday, March 20, 2004

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February 26, 2004

Dear Brother Priests,

Attached is a copy of the letter which the Cardinal sent to all priests in the Archdiocese. This is being sent to you to keep you informed about the communication that is being sent at this time. If you have questions, please feel free to contact Leah McCluskey, Tom Tivy or myself.

Be assured of my prayers and support for you. The beginning of the season of Lent reminds us of the One who sustains us through the difficult times of our lives. May this Jesus be with each of you, now and always.

God bless you.

Sincerely, in Christ,

Handwritten signature of Rev. Jim T. Kaczorowski.

Rev. Jim T. Kaczorowski
Vicar for PriestsCc: Leah McCluskey
Rev. Thomas A. Tivy

ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO

Office of the Archbishop



February 26, 2004

Dear Brothers in Christ:

First, thanks to all of you who shared with your parishioners a copy of my February 15 letter concerning the John Jay study in advance of that report's official release tomorrow. You will remember that there are actually two reports to be released tomorrow, both commissioned by the Bishops. The John Jay social science study will contain national statistics regarding both those abused and accused, as well as dollar amounts spent to respond to the crisis. The National Review Board report will provide a context for the John Jay data.

We have been asked to wait until the reports are officially released tomorrow to offer comment on them, when real figures and perspective become public. I am told that both reports will be available to be viewed by 10 a.m. Friday on the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops website (www.usccb.org, linked to our website at www.archchicago.org). I will meet with media tomorrow to respond to the reports in their entirety and at that time offer our own up-to-date figures for the Archdiocese of Chicago about allegations made against clergy because of sexual abuse of children and youth since 1950.

I am including in this fax an advance copy of a letter and attachment I would like you to share with your parishioners this weekend about the reports. *(A clean copy of this letter will be available to you to download on Friday morning from the archdiocesan website, www.archchicago.org, in English, Spanish, and Polish.)* We will share this same letter with news media at tomorrow's news conference.

We will also be initiating a new service to access information for the protection of minors and to assist those who may have been sexually abused by a priest. The service will allow self-identified individuals, upon request, to receive appropriate information, already made public in another forum, regarding whether there has been reason to suspect that a past or present priest of the Archdiocese of Chicago may have abused a minor. All those inquiring will receive a written response. For inquiries on 98% of archdiocesan priests, the information provided will simply include an ordination date and a description of a current assignment. It is likely that we will be asked to describe this service at the news conference.

I was grateful to learn that some parishes are planning prayer services to coincide with the release of the John Jay report, because surely the issues raised by it are matters to be brought to prayer. I understand, too, that other parishes are planning discussions in which the report can be further evaluated. Because the release of this study could reopen some wounds among our people -- particularly among those who may have been abused -- I encourage you to have on hand contact information about how allegations of clergy sexual abuse can be reported.

Visit the Archdiocese of Chicago's official home page on the World Wide Web
<http://www.archchicago.org>

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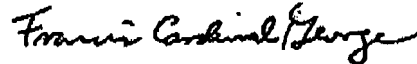
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No other group has faced the scrutiny involved in this type of study, and I know that this cannot be an easy time for you amidst the attention focused on the data that this report will contain. Yet, you are the "face" of the Church within your parish communities, in times both easy and hard. So many of you have told me of the kindness of your parishioners who have expressed their personal support for your priestly ministry – and, like you, I take great comfort from this support.

My prayer for you today is the same one I pray for myself: that in our intentions and in our actions, we might be worthy of the trust placed in us by Jesus Christ and by those whom we serve in his name and with his authority. Thank you for your life and ministry as priests in the Archdiocese of Chicago. Please keep me in your prayers.

Fraternally yours in Christ,



Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I.
Archbishop of Chicago

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MEMORANDUM

TO: File

FROM: Mayra Flores *MF*

RE: [REDACTED] [v. Calicott]

DATE: February 26, 2004

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ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO
OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY

Late yesterday afternoon, the office received a phone call from the pastor at St. Ailbe, Fr. John Breslin. Fr. Breslin called to alert us that he had been contacted by Mr. [REDACTED] concerning an interview Mr. [REDACTED] and Mr. [REDACTED] granted Jay Levine from Channel 2 regarding their allegations against Fr. John Calicott. Mr. [REDACTED] said to Fr. Breslin that the interview was extensive and explicit. He related that they spoke to the reporter (Jay Levine) for "more than an hour" and shared with him the "graphic" details of the abuse and their personal journals detailing the events.

Mr. [REDACTED] also shared his (and Mr. [REDACTED] anger with the Archdiocese over their "handling" of the situation. Mr. [REDACTED] spoke of his guilt that he may have let Mr. [REDACTED] "down" by not formalizing his own allegation against John Calicott, thus leaving the burden to Mr. [REDACTED]

When asked by Fr. Breslin, Mr. [REDACTED] thought the interview would be televised on Monday, March 1st, but speculates that given the release of the John Jay Study (February 27th) the reporter may use the material this week.

Ralph and I told Fr. Breslin that we were not familiar with Mr. [REDACTED] (particularly since he did not formalize his allegation against John Calicott). We assured Fr. Breslin that we would communicate his call to the appropriate archdiocesan people. We immediately called the Communications Office ([REDACTED]), and alerted them to the upcoming interview.

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VICAR FOR PRIESTS OFFICEARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO
OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY**645 N. Michigan, Suite 543****Chicago, Illinois 60611****(312) 642-1837****Fax: (312) 642-4933**To: *Leah McCluskey*From: *Mary Ann*

Fax Number:

Date: *2/27/04*Number of pages including cover sheet: 1**MESSAGE:** URGENT FOR YOUR REVIEW REPLY ASAP COMMENT*Leah,**This is material faxed to priests
at Koenig Hall last night. Kay
listed you as contact, together with
Tom and himself, if there are calls
from those at Koenig Hall.**Blessings on this day!**Mary Ann*

ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO

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February 27, 2004

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

Today the John Jay College of Criminal Justice in New York City released a nationwide social science research study, commissioned by the U.S. Bishops, on clerical sexual abuse of minors. The John Jay Study is a quantitative analysis based on confidential data gathered from almost every diocese, eparchy, and religious order in the U.S. on sexual abuse of minors by Catholic clergy from 1950 to 2002. The data will be crucial in searching for the causes of clerical sexual abuse and in preventing it in the future. This is the study's purpose. A report by the National Review Board providing context for the John Jay data will also be released today.

Officials of the Archdiocese have already published basic data in two reports covering the periods 1950 to 1992 and 1993 to 2002. This information has been updated through December 31, 2003, and is shown on the attached information sheet.

Archdiocesan records reflect that 2,513 archdiocesan priests served in the Archdiocese of Chicago between 1950 and 2003. The Archdiocese has found reason to suspect that, during these 53 years, sexual misconduct with a minor occurred in 142 cases involving 55 Archdiocesan priests, about 2 percent of archdiocesan priests. Of the 55 priests, 13 are deceased, 22 have resigned from the priesthood and 20 are withdrawn from ministry. None is engaged in any public ministry. All cases have been reported to the public authorities.

Money spent because of clerical sexual abuse includes \$26.9 million for victim assistance, settlements and support in the period 1950-2003. Beginning in 1992, the year the Bernardin Commission established procedures for dealing with clerical sexual misconduct, through December 21, 2003, \$5.9 million was spent for treatment and monitoring of priests, and \$5.9 million for legal expenses. Of the \$5.9 million spent on legal fees, \$1.3 million was spent to defend a priest and a school principal judged to be innocent by a civil jury.

The Archdiocese of Chicago, complying with the definition of "allegation" supplied by the John Jay Study, reported for the study all recorded notifications of clerical sexual misconduct with minors, whether or not they resulted in any investigation or whether there was reasonable cause to suspect abuse had occurred.

Since 1992, the Archdiocese of Chicago has addressed allegations of abuse of minors and promoted healing of victims through an Assistance Ministry office, an independent Review Board, and a regular process for reporting abuse allegations to the civil authorities and the public. More recently, the Archdiocese created an Office for the Protection of Children and Youth. It oversees child abuse training programs and background screenings of over

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50,000 employees and volunteers. These measures have allowed us to reach out to victims and parish communities, to create safe environments for children and to remove from ministry any priest for whom there was reasonable cause to suspect that sexual misconduct with a minor had occurred. All of these initiatives will continue in our seminaries, schools, parishes and ministry offices.

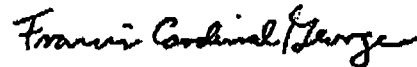
The bishops of the United States have kept the promises they made during and following their June, 2002, Dallas meeting. All offending priests have been removed from ministry; an independent study was undertaken to understand the extent and causes of clerical misconduct; and policies and procedures have been put in place in every diocese in the United States to deal with abuse allegations, to insure the safety of children and to communicate openly with the public. Most important of all, the care of victims has been formalized and will remain high on the agenda of the Church.

The publication of these results reminds us that some priests betrayed the trust placed in them by Christ, by the children He loves, and by families. Church leaders who failed to act on their behalf only added to the harm done. I again sincerely apologize to the victims and to their families for the anguish they have endured. I offer once again an invitation to anyone who has experienced sexual abuse by a priest or deacon to bring this information to our attention by contacting the Office of Professional Responsibility at 1-800-994-6200.

The consequences of these failures have deeply affected the entire Catholic community. I know that many of you are angered and embarrassed, as am I. We can learn from the transgressions of the past, however, and make as sure as we can that no other child or young person goes through what those who have been victims continue to suffer.

You are always in my prayers. Please keep me in yours.

Sincerely yours in Christ,



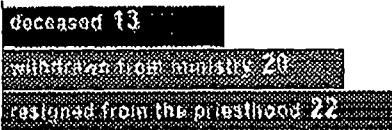
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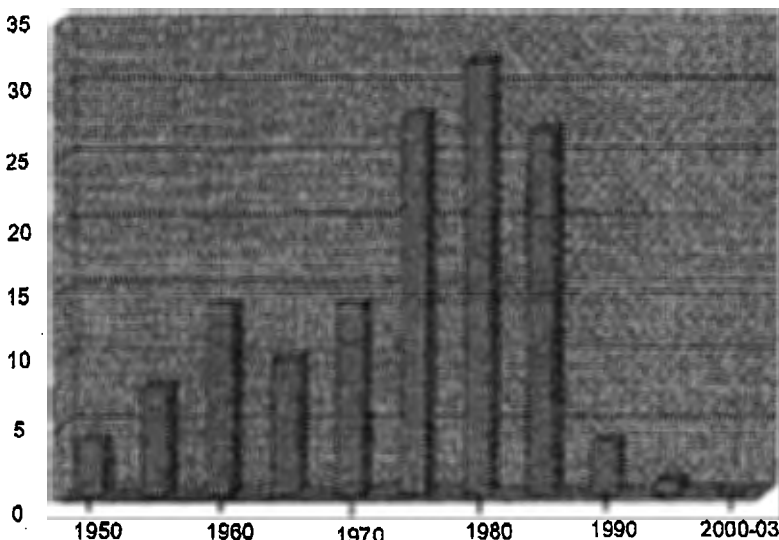
ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO - INFORMATION SHEET

ACCUSED PRIESTS: HOW MANY, WHERE THEY ARE NOW, WHEN OCCURRED

The Archdiocese of Chicago found reasonable cause to suspect that sexual misconduct with a minor had occurred in 142 cases involving 55 Archdiocesan priests in the period 1950-2003. None is currently in ministry. Most incidents occurred between 1970 and 1985.

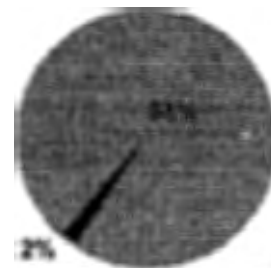


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ACCUSED PRIESTS AS PART OF TOTAL POPULATION

Archdiocesan records reflect that 2,513 archdiocesan priests served in the Archdiocese between 1950 and 2003. Those priests for whom there was reason to suspect that they had engaged in sexual misconduct with a minor represent about two percent of the total number.



FINANCIAL IMPACT

The Archdiocese has spent \$38.7 million on clerical sexual abuse since from 1950 to 2003.



TO REPORT A CASE OF ABUSE

To The Archdiocese

To report suspected sexual abuse of a minor by a priest or deacon -presently or in the past- call:

Leah McCluskey, MSW, LSW Administrator
Office of Professional Responsibility
(800) 994-6200
(Lake and Cook counties only)
or (312) 751-9205

Send written allegations to:

Leah McCluskey, Administrator
Office of Professional Responsibility
Archdiocese of Chicago
Post Office Box 1979
Chicago, Illinois 60690-1979
Email: lmccluskey@archchicago.org
Fax: (312) 751-5279

To Other Authorities

To report allegations directly to civil authorities, call:

The Department of Children and Family Services (D.C.F.S.)
(800) 252-2873
Cook County State's Attorney
(312) 603-5440
Lake County State's Attorney
(847) 377-3000



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MEMORANDUM

TO: Ralph Bonaccorsi, Assistance Ministry
✓ Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests
Jimmy Lago, Chancellor
Leah McCluskey, Office of Professional Responsibility
John O'Malley, Legal Services
Rev. Daniel Smilanic, Archbishop's Delegate to the Review Board
Rev. Thomas Tivy, Vicar for Priests

FROM: Laura Neri-Palomino, ^{LNP}Administrative Assistant
Office of Professional Responsibility

DATE: February 27, 2004

RE: [PFR-13] Calicott, John (Withdrawn)/ [REDACTED]

Attached is a copy of a new allegation received by this office on 2/27/04. We are opening a file and Leah McCluskey, Professional Responsibility Administrator will begin the Review Process by attempting to arrange an interview with [REDACTED]. Please advise this office of any information you may have in your files regarding Calicott, John/ [REDACTED]

It is extremely important that you forward copies of any and all documentation pertinent to this case to this office within 5 business days of receipt of this memo to ensure that the investigation of this matter be properly handled.

Thank you.

Attachment

cc: Most Rev. Edwin M. Conway

AOC 011349

'In his room, in his bed, once a week'

Men describe alleged abuse by priest who remains popular

BY CATHLEEN FALSANI
Religion Reporter

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3/14/04

Two men who say they were sexually abused more than 20 years ago by the popular Roman Catholic priest John Calicott broke their silence Wednesday and told their side of a story that has cost the priest his ministry.

██████████, 40, who lives on Chicago's North Side with his wife and two children, said Calicott began molesting him on a camping trip in Canada in 1976.

At the time, Calicott was an assistant pastor at St. Ailbe Parish on Chicago's South Side, his first assignment after being ordained. ██████████ was a 12-year-old member of the parish.

"I was assigned to his tent," ██████████ recalled, saying he woke up to find Calicott engaging in a sexual act in him. "I was petrified. It was the middle of the night. It was

dark, and I was afraid for my life."

That was the first time, Lasley said, "and it happened again the next night, and the next night, and the next night. It happened basically thereafter on every camping trip," over two years, he said.

"Toward the end of it, it was no longer me laying there and pretending to be sleeping. It was in his room, in his bed, maybe once a week, maybe twice a week. It was at that point that I got so disgusted with it that I just stopped coming around," ██████████ said.

Calicott, 56, did not return a call from the Chicago Sun-Times seeking comment.

In 1994, ██████████ and a second man who says Calicott also molested him in the late 1970s took their complaints to officials at the Chicago archdiocese.

Because of their allegations, Cardinal Joseph Bernardin removed Calicott from ministry in 1994. But less than a year later, at the urging of Calicott's parishioners at Holy Angels Church where he had been pastor since 1992, the cardinal returned the popular priest to the pulpit, say-

██████████ says he's speaking out because the Rev. John Calicott recently has downplayed his actions. ██████████ says: "He makes it sound like he touched me on the head the wrong way." —JOHN J. KIM/SUN-TIMES

ing he did not believe Calicott was a threat to children.

But in June 2002, Cardinal Francis George removed Calicott from ministry again in accordance with new church law that says no priest with allegations of sexual misconduct with children against him can be allowed to serve.

Six weeks ago, George chastised Calicott once again after the priest violated church policy by returning to Holy Angels School to lecture students on sex and other topics.

The second man who made allegations of misconduct against Calicott back in 1993 has maintained his anonymity.

But a third man has come forward with new allegations. ██████████, 40, who lives in the Chicago area with his two teenage sons, says Calicott molested him when he was 16.

It happened on a trip to Kentucky in April 1980, in a hotel, ██████████ recalled.

"That night, [Calicott] had been drinking heavily," he said. "At 5 in the morning I woke up to find him masturbating me. At first I thought it was because of him drinking and that he was dreaming. I was scared. I casually yawned and then moved further away from him.

"Five minutes later on, he scooted over and tried to masturbate me again. At that point, you realize that this wasn't a dream, this wasn't a mistake, this was something he intended to do," he said.

██████████ got up out of bed

and locked himself in the bathroom, he said. A few minutes later, Calicott knocked on the bathroom door and said, "Why don't you come back to bed? I'm not going to bother you," ██████████ said.

██████████ and ██████████ both said they decided to go public

with their stories because of how Calicott recently has portrayed his misconduct. In January, Calicott said he had never admitted to sexual misconduct, repeating what he said in 1995 upon his reinstatement at Holy Angels: "Something that should not have occurred did occur."

"He makes it sound like he touched me on the head the wrong way," ██████████ said. "No. He raped me."

In a prepared statement, the Rev. Robert Miller, administrator of Holy Angels and one of Calicott's staunchest defenders, said ██████████'s story is "directly contradictory" to statement's the man made at Holy Angels 10 years ago after Calicott was removed for the first time.

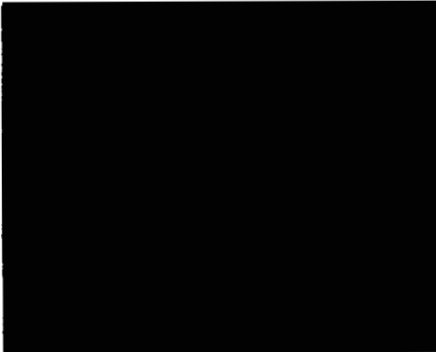
"The accuser came to Holy Angels Church on his own accord and stated that nothing happened," Miller said in the statement.

While he admits he did give a speech at a church meeting in 1994, ██████████ denies any recantation and produced a yellowing computer printout of the speech he says he read that day. Nowhere in the speech, which talks about the need for prayer and forgiveness, does ██████████ recant his claims.



John Calicott
Has defenders

RIGHT: ██████████ was an altar boy at St. Ailbe Parish on the South Side. He planned to be a priest and had a leather notebook giving him a title. BELOW: He says Calicott wrote him a letter that the priest asked him to destroy after reading.



P.S. Do this AFTER YOU READ IT. And destroy

Diaries detail alleged abuse

Priest accused by 2 of abusing them in 1970s

By James Janega
Tribune staff reporter

3/4/04

Angered by a decade of support for a priest he insists raped him repeatedly in the 1970s, a 40-year-old [redacted] came forward this week with a box of diaries detailing how Rev. John Calicott allegedly abused him as a 13-year-old boy.

He was joined by a life-long friend, [redacted] 40, who said he was fondled by Calicott as a teen.

The accusations against

Head of Catholic panel of laity calls for further study of sex abuse scandals. PAGE 3

Calicott reopen wounds at Holy Angels Parish on the South Side, where Calicott had been the church's pastor until his removal in 2002, when bishops adopted a zero-tolerance policy for priests found to have committed sexual abuse.

Holy Angels released a statement Wednesday supporting Calicott, but neither parish officials nor Calicott would respond to questions about the allegations that focus on a period when Calicott was an associate pastor at St. Albe Church.

Officials from the Archdio-

[redacted] (left) has come forward with a box of diaries detailing his alleged abuse by Rev. John Calicott in the 1970s. [redacted]'s friend, [redacted] also has come forward.

Tribune photo by Scott Strazzante

cese of Chicago also would not comment on specific allegations.

"We never discuss what the victims tell us. They can say what they want, but we don't," archdiocese spokesman James Dwyer said. "If we talk about what they tell us in confidence, it may hurt our attempts to get other victims to come forward."

Based on testimony [redacted] and another man, who remains anonymous, gave to the Archdiocese of Chicago in 1994, Calicott already had been removed and reinstated after [redacted] under earlier rules in the archdiocese.

When he was removed again in 2002, Calicott appealed to

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ABUSE: Victim alleges priest sent many letters

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Rome. His case has raised national questions about what is just for disgraced priests who have already been forgiven.

But for years, Calicott had characterized his relationship with the two previously unnamed boys only as his "mis-handling" of what he has said was a "process of trying to deal with a situation."

Last month, he went further, saying "I denied doing what the boy said, presuming what was read to me [by the archdiocese in 1994] was what the boy said I did."

On Wednesday, [redacted] said Calicott's public denials had spurred him to publicly discuss sexual acts he said Calicott initiated with him on a camping trip in 1976, and with a still unnamed victim on subsequent outings.

[redacted] said Calicott first performed oral sex on him on a group camping trip in Canada in 1976. [redacted] said he was terrified and didn't know how to stop him.

"It happened the next night and the next night, and the next

night. It wasn't just confined to this trip," he said. "It was other trips, and it was in the rectory in his bed. Over two years."

At times [redacted] said it involved the other victim, who has not come forward publicly but whose allegations also were part of the archdiocese's case against Calicott in 1994.

And for the first time, a third alleged victim, [redacted]'s long-time friend [redacted] also described an unwanted sexual advance he said Calicott made on a camping trip in 1980.

[redacted] said he woke up to find Calicott sexually touching his genitals and that when he moved away, Calicott waited a short time and then did the same thing again.

"About a week later, Father had called me over to the rectory, and had told me something about he had been dreaming," [redacted] said.

[redacted] said he remained silent when [redacted] made his allegations to the archdiocese in 1994, and quietly supported him when he apologized to angry Holy Angels parishioners for their pain weeks later. He said he came forward this time out of guilt.

"I didn't want him to be on his own as he was in 1994," [redacted] said of [redacted].

Holy Angels parishioners—who still emphatically support Calicott—have said they took [redacted]'s statements at the time to be a recantation of his accusations against Calicott.

"This is the same man who

stood up in church 9 1/2 years ago and said nothing happened. So we are massively confused," Rev. Robert Miller, parish administrator at Holy Angels, said Wednesday of [redacted]'s renewed allegations.

[redacted] provided the Tribune with a copy of the statement he said he read to the parish at the time. While it expresses sympathy for the pain Calicott's original removal brought to Holy Angels and anger at the public way in which the archdiocese carried it out, it neither renounces nor recants his charges against Calicott.

[redacted] also showed reporters copies of rambling letters he said Calicott wrote to him in the late-1970s and early-1980s.

"I try to sleep and my mind turns to sexual things I wanted to do with you when we were doing it but was too afraid to ask and the thought of these things keep me awake nights," part of one letter reads. "Then I'll think of the really good times we had together and I am saddened because they were tainted by the sex thing that I had at least helped to cause."

Miller looked at a copy of the letters and said they were not in Calicott's handwriting.

[redacted] said he [redacted] twice considered the priesthood.

Instead, he became a [redacted] and tried to lead a normal life.

"At different times, it did ruin my life," [redacted] said.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
COUNTY DEPARTMENT, LAW DIVISION

JOHN DOE,
Plaintiff,
vs.
CATHOLIC BISHOP OF CHICAGO, a Corporation Sole,
Individually; JOHN CALICOTT, Individually and as an
Agent and/or Employee of CATHOLIC BISHOP OF
CHICAGO, a Corporation Sole,
Defendant.

No. _____
Please serve defendant(s) as indicated on reverse.

SUMMONS

To each defendant:

YOU ARE SUMMONED and required to file an answer to the complaint in this case, a copy of which is hereto attached, or otherwise file appearance, in the office of the Clerk of this Court at the following locations:

- Richard J. Daley Center, 50 W. Washington, Room 801, Chicago, Illinois 60602
- District 2 - Skokie
5600 Old Orchard Rd.
Skokie, IL 60077
- District 3 - Rolling Meadows
2121 Euclid
Rolling Meadows, IL 60008
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1500 Maybrook Ave.
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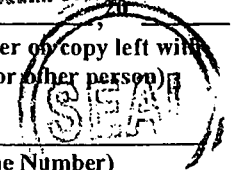
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COUNTY DEPARTMENT - LAW DIVISION

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v.) No. 04 L 002661 "C"
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OF CHICAGO, a Corporation Sole,)
)
Defendants.)

ORDER

THIS CAUSE coming to be heard on Plaintiff's Motions to Bar Plaintiff's Identify and Motion to Seal Record, due notice having been given, and the court being fully advised;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Plaintiff's Motions are granted. That all parties and all court personnel and Court Clerk are barred from disclosure of the identity of the Plaintiff in this case.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that the record in the above-captioned matter be kept in a separate and private location by the Clerk of the Court and sealed from disclosure to anyone.

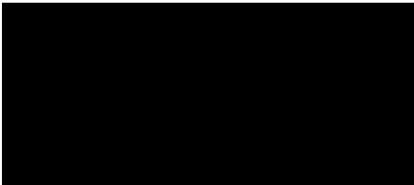
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Defendants.

No.

Jury Demanded

COMPLAINT AT LAW

- Count I Negligent Retention - Catholic Bishop of Chicago - John Doe
- Count II Failure to Exercise Reasonable Care to Control Its Employee -
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Negligence of the CATHOLIC BISHOP OF CHICAGO

39. In 1975, 1976, and 2004 and at all relevant times, the CATHOLIC BISHOP OF CHICAGO owed a duty of care to protect the members of its parish including JOHN DOE to

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**Actual and Constructive Notice of the Catholic Bishop of Chicago
of the Sexual Abuse Committed by John Calicott**

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- a. Failing to supervise JOHN CALICOTT in 1975; or
- b. Failing to supervise JOHN CALICOTT in 1976; or
- c. Failing to supervise JOHN CALICOTT in 2004; or
- d. Failing to investigate JOHN CALICOTT prior to 1975, when it knew or should have known that JOHN CALICOTT was sexually abusing children attending the Saint Ailbe's Catholic Elementary School; or
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48. As a proximate result of one or more of the foregoing negligent acts and/or omissions, plaintiff JOHN DOE was sexually abused in Chicago, Illinois; has endured and will in the future endure tremendous mental suffering and psychological injuries.

WHEREFORE, plaintiff, JOHN DOE demands judgment against Defendant, CATHOLIC

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Failure to Exercise Reasonable Care to Control its Employee
Catholic Bishop of Chicago - John Doe

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20. While assigned to the residence in Mundelien, JOHN CALICOTT was assigned to a monitor whose role was to ensure that JOHN CALICOTT did not resume his priestly duties.

21. In 2002 the monitor assigned to JOHN CALICOTT was an agent and/or employee of the CATHOLIC BISHOP OF CHICAGO.

22. That at all times relevant to this action, the monitor assigned to JOHN CALICOTT was acting within the scope and course of his/her agency and/or employment relationship with the CATHOLIC BISHOP OF CHICAGO.

23. That on or about January 2004, JOHN CALICOTT came forward to declare his innocence in relation to abuse of children.

24. That on or about January 2004, JOHN CALICOTT has returned to Holy Angels Parish and slept in the rectory on numerous occasions.

25. That on or about January 2004, Reverend Robert Miller was a pastor at Holy Angels Parish.

26. That on or about January 2004, Reverend Robert Miller knew or should have known that JOHN CALICOTT had been relieved of his priestly duties.

27. That regardless of this knowledge, Reverend Robert Miller allowed JOHN CALICOTT to sleep in the rectory at Holy Angels Parish on numerous occasions.

28. That regardless of this knowledge, Reverend Robert Miller allowed JOHN CALICOTT to lecture to students.

29. That Reverend Robert Miller is an agent and/or employee of CATHOLIC BISHOP OF CHICAGO.

30. That at all times relevant to this action, Reverend Robert Miller was acting within the scope and course of his agency and/or employment relationship with the CATHOLIC BISHOP OF CHICAGO.

31. That sometime in January 2004, JOHN CALICOTT lectured to students on sex in a health class at Holy Angel Parish School.

32. Prior to 2004, JOHN DOE, did not know that he suffered emotional injury caused by the childhood sexual abuse committed by JOHN CALICOTT.

33. Prior to January 2004, JOHN DOE did not discover that he suffered emotional injury caused by the childhood sexual abuse committed by JOHN CALICOTT.

34. Prior to January, 2004, JOHN DOE did not discover or know that any emotional injuries or condition he suffered from were a result of the childhood sexual abuse of JOHN CALICOTT.

35. Prior to January, 2004, JOHN DOE repressed memories of the childhood sexual abuse committed upon him by JOHN CALICOTT.

36. Prior to January, 2004, JOHN DOE knew of no relationship between the abuse by JOHN CALICOTT and the current emotional injury from which he suffers.

37. Prior to January, 2004, JOHN DOE did not appreciate that his current condition and problems were, in fact, injuries.

38. Prior to January, 2004, JOHN DOE did not discover: (a) that the condition he now suffers from was an injury; or (b) that the condition was caused by the sexual abuse of JOHN CALICOTT.

Negligent Infliction of Emotional Distress

39. On and after 1975, 1976, and 2004, JOHN CALICOTT owed a duty of care to JOHN DOE by virtue of their relationship.

40. On and after 1975, 1976, and 2004, JOHN CALICOTT breached the aforesaid duty owed to JOHN DOE when he negligently sexually abused him in and around Chicago, Illinois and when he returned to Holy Angels Rectory in 2004 and began lecturing to students at Holy Angels School.

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42. On and after 1975, 1976, and 2004, CATHOLIC BISHOP OF CHICAGO breached the aforesaid duty owed to JOHN DOE when it negligently allowed JOHN CALICOTT to knowingly and intentionally sexually abused him in and around Chicago, Illinois and when it negligently allowed JOHN CALICOTT to return to Holy Angels Rectory in 2004 and lecture to students at Holy Angels School.

43. As a direct and proximate result of the foregoing breaches, plaintiff JOHN DOE was injured; has endured and will in the future endure tremendous mental suffering and psychological injuries [REDACTED]

WHEREFORE, plaintiff, JOHN DOE demands judgment against Defendants, JOHN CALICOTT, and CATHOLIC BISHOP OF CHICAGO, and each of them, in such sum in excess of the jurisdictional limit of the Law Division of the Circuit Court of Cook County, as shall represent fair and just compensation.

[REDACTED]

By: _____

[REDACTED]

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March 9, 2004

Francis Cardinal George O.M.I.
Archbishop's Residence
1555 N. State Parkway
Chicago, IL 60610

COPY

Dear Cardinal George,

Greetings once again in the good Lord. I pray that this letter finds you well and being blessed with all good Grace and Blessings from our great God.

I write today to thank you for the conversation we had Sunday evening about my frustration and anger at the media's treatment of this delicate situation and myself, and our conversation in general about the Holy Angels situation. I was glad to have the opportunity to reassure you that I have indeed complied with your personal request of January 23 not to speak to the media about this volatile situation. We spoke about both Jay Levine's pure dishonesty in leading John into the Feb 28 interview, and then the *Tribune's* deception in purporting to have "interviewed" me personally. I thought that the level of deceitfulness and antagonism towards the Church by some in the media had ceased to surprise me, but this week truly showed me how they will use anyone to earn ratings and "a story".

I also tried to describe for you the volatile situation here at Holy Angels, and the reasons why some here express such strongly vocal support for Fr. John Calicott. This includes the fact that as black folk they are defensive about their popular black leader in a church that has had 30 years of black pastors & priests; the fact that dozens and dozens of people claim to have heard (and indeed signed multiple affidavits to assert such fact) the accuser deny that anything happened; and the existence of a independent channel 9 interview reporting that their conversation with this accuser made similar denials. The fact that John grew up here, went to school here, still has family and friends here further deepens the bond of connectedness many have.

However, as a result of the unfortunately dramatic and climactic events of the past several weeks, as well as our conversation, I am focusing now towards the delicate future of expressing to our troubled membership honest, simple truths about ours and John's future. I believe that I have a distinct advantage in doing this because of the trust built up with many over the past 8 years of my time here. The members here now need a strong, confident voice they trust urging them to look past this crisis - not to leave the Church, staying prayerful and focused on the Lord, remaining united in mission, purpose and sacrament. This is my goal and intention during my remaining time here.

Finally, however, we did not in our conversation get to discuss my personal plans for the future. For quite some time, it has been my desire to be pastor on my own - indeed you may recall that on Feb 2, 2002 I wrote requesting St. James, and then in the spring of 2003 I began the process of applying for St. Ailbe's but was halted when Fr. Breslin's 12 years were extended for 2 more. I wish to re-iterate again my desire to be pastor elsewhere, and believe that I have a plan which can work to all our mutual benefits. I would ask that I be allowed to remain here as Administrator until the end of 2004 (at the latest January 2005) which would help bring stability and healing to a wounded situation here; and then be allowed to

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take a 3-4 month much-needed sabbatical, prior to applying for a parish in the spring of 2005. I have already had a very preliminary conversation with Clem on the Personnel Board about this, and expect to have the same with Bishop Perry soon as well.

Your Eminence, I thank you again for our conversation of Sunday evening. In these very difficult times, when we are seemingly being called to walk through our own passion with Jesus Christ, I pray that we may indeed find Resurrection joy, healing and freedom in our Faith and Hope. I pray that the future will bring continued blessings for both of us, our ministries and our Archdiocese.

Sincerely yours in the Lord,

Rev. Robert Miller

Cc: Fr. Jim Kazczorowski
Bp. Joseph Perry

Ex-Holy Angels priest sued for alleged abuse

STARS 3/9
BY CATHLEEN FALSANI
Religion Reporter

A 42-year-old man filed a lawsuit Monday against the Rev. John Calicott, a suspended Roman Catholic priest, and the Archdiocese of Chicago, alleging that the priest sexually abused him when he was a student at St. Ailbe parish in the 1970s.

The man, who filed the lawsuit under the name "John Doe," said Calicott, now 56, sexually abused him on multiple occasions in 1975 and 1976, according to the suit. He's seeking in excess of \$50,000 in damages for emotional distress.

Doe is one of two men who complained in 1994 to archdiocesan officials about the alleged abuse, prompting the late Cardinal Joseph Bernardin to remove Calicott from ministry at Holy Angels parish, where he had been pastor since 1992. Calicott was an assistant priest at St. Ailbe at the time of the alleged abuse.

In 1995, after Calicott was

and at the behest of Holy Angels parishioners who begged for his return, Bernardin reinstated Calicott at Holy Angels, saying he did not believe the priest was a threat to children.

Calicott served again as pastor of Holy Angels until June 2002, when Cardinal Francis George once again removed the priest from ministry because new church law governing the handling of cases of clergy sex abuse went into effect, barring any priest with a past allegation of abuse against him from any public ministry.

In January, a Sun-Times report revealed that despite having been removed from ministry, Calicott had been spending much of his time at



John Calicott
Suspended

Holy Angels, even lecturing school children about sexuality. George has since forbidden Calicott from going to the parish or having any contact with children. In the wake of this latest rebuke, Calicott has denied publicly on numerous occasions having committed any sexual misconduct with minors in the past.

It was a combination of revelations of his lecturing pupils in a Holy Angels classroom and his public denials of wrongdoing that led Doe to file a lawsuit against Calicott and the archdiocese, said his attorney, [REDACTED].

"He's very upset that the archdiocese would allow [Calicott] to have contact with children," [REDACTED] said.

Calicott did not return a request for comment Monday left at the Mundelein Seminary retreat where he now lives.

3rd man accuses priest of sex abuse

By James Janega

Tribune staff reporter 3/9

Days after two men publicly accused Rev. John Calicott of sexually abusing them as minors, a third alleged victim filed a civil suit Monday against the South Side priest and the Catholic Archdiocese of Chicago.

All three men say they took action because they are angry over Calicott's recent statements of denial and at the archdiocese's handling of the Calicott case.

Calicott was removed from ministry at Holy Angels Parish on the South Side in the mid-1990s over abuse allegations from two men. One of them, 40-year-old [REDACTED], spoke publicly last week about the accusations, saying the priest had repeatedly assaulted him over two years in the 1970s.

The other man is the 42-

year-old Chicago businessman who filed suit Monday as John Doe, according to his attorney, [REDACTED].

[REDACTED], 40, also came forward last week to say that Calicott had abused him, but said he had not previously reported his allegations.

The lawsuit filed in Cook County Circuit Court alleges that, beginning in January 1975, Calicott "sexually abused multiple children"—including the plaintiff—from St. Ailbe Catholic School but gives no details of the abuse. Calicott was an associate pastor at St. Ailbe Parish at the time.

Under rules in place in the 1990s, Cardinal Joseph Bernardin allowed Calicott to return to ministry at Holy Angels after he admitted to the abuses and after officials decided [REDACTED] had showed he posed no further threat to children.

But new Catholic sexual-abuse guidelines established in 2002 require priests be removed from ministry if they are found to have committed sexual abuse in the past. Calicott was removed again but has appealed to the Vatican to be reinstated.

Earlier this year, Calicott said he "denied doing what the boy said" he did. Parishioners at Holy Angels have rallied to Calicott's support, and it recently was revealed that Calicott had been staying at the Holy Angels rectory and had addressed pupils at the parish school in December.

[REDACTED] said his client "was angered by the fact that Father Calicott was denying it, and he was angered by the fact that the archdiocese was allowing Father Calicott to have contact with children."

A spokesman for the archdiocese declined comment on the lawsuit.

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MEMORANDUM

To: File - PFR-13

From: Leah McCluskey, Professional Responsibility Administrator 

Re: Calicott, Rev. John [Withdrawn]

Date: March 14, 2004

PRA and Rev. James T. Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests met with Rev. John Calicott at the Cardinal Stritch Retreat House on February 23, 2004. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the revised Individual Specific Protocols that are asked to be signed by March 31, 2004.

PRA initiated discussion regarding the Individual Specific Protocols that were hand delivered to the retreat house for Fr. Calicott on January 26, 2004. Fr. Kaczorowski then informed Fr. Calicott of the possibility that Cardinal George may choose to reduce one's salary if the monitoring protocols are not followed.

Fr. Calicott very calmly informed Fr. Kaczorowski that he would "make it a public nightmare for the Cardinal if he tries to cut my salary." He continued by informing Fr. Kaczorowski and PRA that he "is not convinced with the canons he [Cardinal George] is using." In response, Fr. Kaczorowski suggested to Fr. Calicott that he discuss such concerns with his canonical advocate.

Fr. Calicott shared his view that "cutting my salary and making me get a job will make the church look very, very bad." He informed Fr. Kaczorowski and PRA that his brother and his wife are renewing their vows at Holy Angels in March 2004 and that he plans to be in attendance. Fr. Kaczorowski advised Fr. Calicott to discuss the situation with Cardinal George.

Fr. Calicott continued, "Until someone tells me I'm a risk to children, I will continue to do what I'm doing." In response, Fr. Kaczorowski referred to Fr. Calicott's actions of teaching sex education classes at Holy Angels school despite being withdrawn from ministry. Fr. Calicott acknowledged Fr. Kaczorowski's reference to Holy Angels and stated that he [Fr. Calicott] would "do it [teach at Holy Angels despite his status of

'withdrawn'] again." Fr. Kaczorowski then suggested that Fr. Calicott have a one on one discussion with Cardinal George, to which he responded, "I'll think about it."

Fr. Calicott then spoke of his "dog and other belongings" that are still at Holy Angels and that "the Cardinal's name will be mud in the black community [if Cardinal George cuts his salary]." He then shared his own "solution" regarding clerics who are accused of sexual misconduct of minors. Fr. Calicott referred back to past monitoring in the Archdiocese of Chicago and "...to work with victims and accused." He spoke of working towards "healing" for both victims and accused and "...to return those to ministry who can." Fr. Calicott shared his opinion that "I do not feel that the no tolerance policy is right [any cleric with at least one substantiated allegation of sexual misconduct of a minor may no longer function as a priest]." Fr. Kaczorowski responded to Fr. Calicott by suggesting that he share his feelings with his canonical advocate and with Rome. Fr. Calicott informed Fr. Kaczorowski that he has already done so.

Fr. Kaczorowski initiated a conversation regarding the period of time canonical trials may take, to which Fr. Calicott shared his feeling, "We [the Archdiocese of Chicago] had a system [involving cases concerning abuse of minors by clerics] that worked...[and that the Archdiocese] should go back [to the 'system']." Fr. Calicott informed PRA and Fr. Kaczorowski, "I'm doing this [speaking against his removal; monitoring] for my people...for Holy Angels...for black people..." Fr. Calicott also confirmed for Fr. Kaczorowski that he has his own press people.

When asked by PRA, Fr. Calicott stated that health-wise, he is "doing much better." [REDACTED]

Cc: Rev. Daniel Smilanic, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board
Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests

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TRAVEL/VACATION NOTIFICATION

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John Calicott [name of cleric] has informed this office that he will be traveling to

[redacted] [destination address and contact phone number]

12 March 2004 [departure date] through 14 April 2004 [return date].

John Calicott [name of cleric] will be monitored by

[redacted] [name of travel monitor]. [redacted] [name of

travel monitor] has accepted the responsibility of verifying the location and activities of

John Calicott [name of cleric] during the aforementioned time frame.

[see attached correspondence]

1. Contacts with minors by John Calicott [name of cleric] must be in the presence of [redacted] [name of travel monitor]. Inappropriate situations and locations incompatible with a priestly lifestyle are to be avoided.
2. [redacted] [name of travel monitor] may be asked to attest to the activities and whereabouts of John Calicott [cleric name] over 3.13.04 - 4.14.04 [aforementioned time frame].
3. As previously noted, the date of return to John Calicott's [cleric name] residence has been scheduled for 14 April 2004 [aforementioned return date].
However, due to weather conditions or emergencies that may arise, the date may be changed. In the event of such a circumstance, should the original plans be substantially changed, please contact PRA at [312] 751-5205.

Cleric Signature: [Signature]

Date: 12 March 2004

PRA Signature: [Signature]

Date: 3/14/04

A copy of this document will be provided to the cleric. The original will be placed in the cleric's file in the Office of Professional Responsibility and a copy will be placed in the cleric's file in the Vicar for Priests' Office.

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From: *Dr. Jim Kaczorowski*

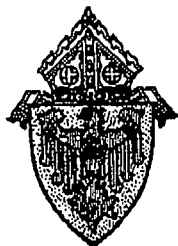
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To: Most Reverend Raymond E. Goedert
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Ms. Leah McCluskey
Reverend Thomas A. Tivy
Reverend Daniel A. Smilanic
Reverend Anthony Talarico
Reverend Edmund J. Siedlecki

From: Reverend James T. Kaczorowski

Date: March 15, 2004

Re: Residents at Koenig Hall

Attached is a copy of the letter sent by Francis Cardinal George to each of the residents at Koenig Hall, Cardinal Stritch Retreat House.

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Office of the Archbishop



Post Office Box 1979
Chicago, Illinois 60690-1979

March 15, 2004

Rev. John Calicott
P O Box 455
Mundelein, IL 60060

Dear Father Calicott,

I would like to take this opportunity to inform you that the Most Reverend Raymond E. Goedert will assume the responsibilities of interim monitor at the Cardinal Stritch Retreat House, Koenig Hall, effective Tuesday, March 16, 2004. While he serves in this capacity, Bishop Goedert will reside at the retreat house. I am deeply grateful to him for accepting this responsibility at the present time. As this transition occurs, I also wish to thank Father Anthony Talarico for having served in the capacity of monitor for the past two or more years while, at the same time, performing his primary duties of administrator at the retreat house.

Sometime within the next two weeks, Bishop Goedert, Father Jim Kaczorowski, my Vicar for Priests, and Ms. Leah McCluskey, Professional Responsibility Administrator, will meet with the residents at Koenig Hall as a group and review the contents of the protocol. We are also inviting Father Talarico and Father Siedlecki to be present for this meeting since there will be occasions when they will function as monitor in Bishop Goedert's absence.

I am sorry this process is taking so much longer than I believed and expected it would. I want to assure you of my prayers for you. Likewise, I ask that you pray for me. May this season of Lent be a time of special blessing for you.

Sincerely, yours in Christ,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Francis Cardinal George".

Francis Cardinal George
Archbishop of Chicago

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Cc: Most Reverend Raymond E. Goedert
Most Reverend Edwin M. Conway
Mr. Jimmy Lago
Dr. Carol Fowler
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March 16, 2004

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Mr. Michael J. Howlett, Jr.
Cook County State's Attorney Counsel
69 West Washington Street, 32nd Floor
Chicago, Illinois 60602

RE: [REDACTED]

Date of Birth: unknown
Date of alleged abuse: unknown

Dear Mr. Howlett:

Please be advised that the Archdiocese of Chicago has received an allegation from [REDACTED] current age unknown, that he was the victim of sexual misconduct by an archdiocesan priest, Rev John Calicott.

The Archdiocese will conduct an appropriate inquiry and advise you of any developments. Mr. [REDACTED] is not currently represented by an attorney.

Very truly yours,


John C. O'Malley
Director of Legal Services

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cc: Ms. Shauna Boliker
Ms. Leah Mc Cluskey
Mr. James A. Serritella

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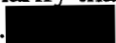

To: File - PFR-13



From: Leah McCluskey, Professional Responsibility Administrator 

Re: Calicott, Rev. John [Withdrawn]/



Date: March 19, 2004

PRA received two messages on March 17, 2004 from Mr.  regarding an allegation of physical misconduct against "Fr. John who was on the news."

PRA returned Mr. 's phone call today and was able to clarify that the allegation of physical misconduct is against Rev. John Calicott. As per Mr.  the physical abuse took place when he was in 6th and 7th grades at Holy Name of Mary school. According to Archdiocesan Archives, Fr. Calicott was assigned to Holy Name of Mary from June 8, 1980 through October 27, 1991. Mr.  explained that he saw "Fr. John" on the news and had "always thought" that Fr. Calicott had behaved strangely [at Holy Name of Mary].

PRA explained to Mr.  that it would be determined the appropriate person for him to speak with regarding this matter. It was agreed that PRA would contact Mr.  at the end of the day after speaking with her Director.

When asked by PRA, Mr.  stated that his birthdate is 

Mr.  appreciated the return call and will be expecting PRA's phone call this afternoon. He can be reached at 

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MEMORANDUM

To: File - PFR-13

From: Leah McCluskey, Professional Responsibility Administrator

Re: Calicott, John (Withdrawn)

Date: March 20, 2004

A summary of the Professional Responsibility Review Board Meeting March 20, 2004:

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**Professional Responsibility Review Board
Saturday, March 20, 2004- 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.**

MINUTES

Revision

Review Board Members Present:

[Redacted]

Members absent:

[Redacted]

Non-members present:

Leah McCluskey, Professional Responsibility Administrator [PRA]
Rev. Daniel Smilanic, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board

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Cc: Review Board Members
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[REDACTED]

Members absent:

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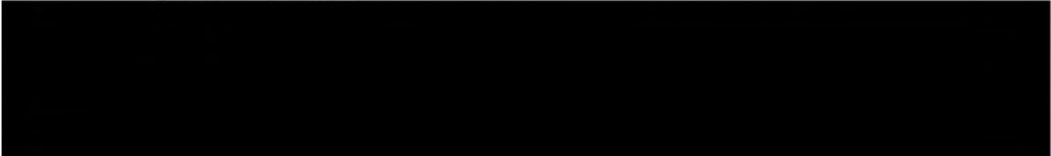
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PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY REVIEW BOARD MEETING
Saturday, March 20, 2004 - 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

AGENDA

- I. Approval of Minutes – February 21, 2004
- II. Update on decisions made by FEG from 2/21/04
- III. Case Reviews

Initial Reviews:

A. [Redacted]

Preliminary Review:

B. [Redacted]

C. [Redacted]

Second Stage Reviews:

B. [Redacted]

III. Other Matters

- [Redacted]
- [Redacted]
- Rev. John Calicott (Withdrawn 2002) - PFR-13
- [Redacted]
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MEMORANDUM

To: Carol Fowler
Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests
Rev. Thomas Tivy, Vicar for Priests

From: Laura A. Neri-Palomino *LNP*

Re: Calicott, Rev. John (Withdrawn) [REDACTED]

Date: March 24, 2004

I have been asked to forward the above allegation of physical misconduct to the Vicar for Priests Office.

Enclosure

Cc: Rev. Daniel Smilanic, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board
Ralph Bonaccorsi, Assistance Ministry

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Leah McCluskey
FROM: Bishop Goedert 
RE: Father John Calicott
DATE: April 20, 2004

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I just wanted to let you know that Father Calicott has arrived here at the Retreat House. I saw him for the first time at dinner on Saturday, April 17.

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MEMORANDUM

To: File - PFR-13

From: Leah McCluskey, Professional Responsibility Administrator 

Re: Calicott, Rev. John

Date: April 27, 2004

PRA and Rev. James T. Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests, contacted Rev. John Calicott via phone today. Fr. Kaczorowski had informed PRA that he has received information within the last two days that Fr. Calicott has been seen at Holy Angels at least five times since he was presented with a Decree signed by Cardinal Francis George, O.M.I on January 23, 2004. As included in the Decree, Fr. Calicott is forbidden "from being present in any way at any time on the property of Holy Angels parish in Chicago...[and] from being physically within the canonical territorial boundaries of Holy Angels parish in Chicago..."

Fr. Calicott stated that since being presented with the aforementioned Decree, he has been present at Holy Angels parish to pick up his mail and tend to his pets. Fr. Kaczorowski clearly communicated to Fr. Calicott that he is not to be present within the boundaries of Holy Angels parish at any time until the matter involving the allegations of sexual misconduct against him is concluded [canonically].

Cc: Rev. Daniel Smilanic, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board
Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests
Most Rev. Raymond Goedert, Monitor

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CATH. L.L.C. BISHOP OF CHICAGO
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Hi Jim,

This is all that was in
the Quigley South Calicott file.

Take Care,

Fr. Peter Swirey

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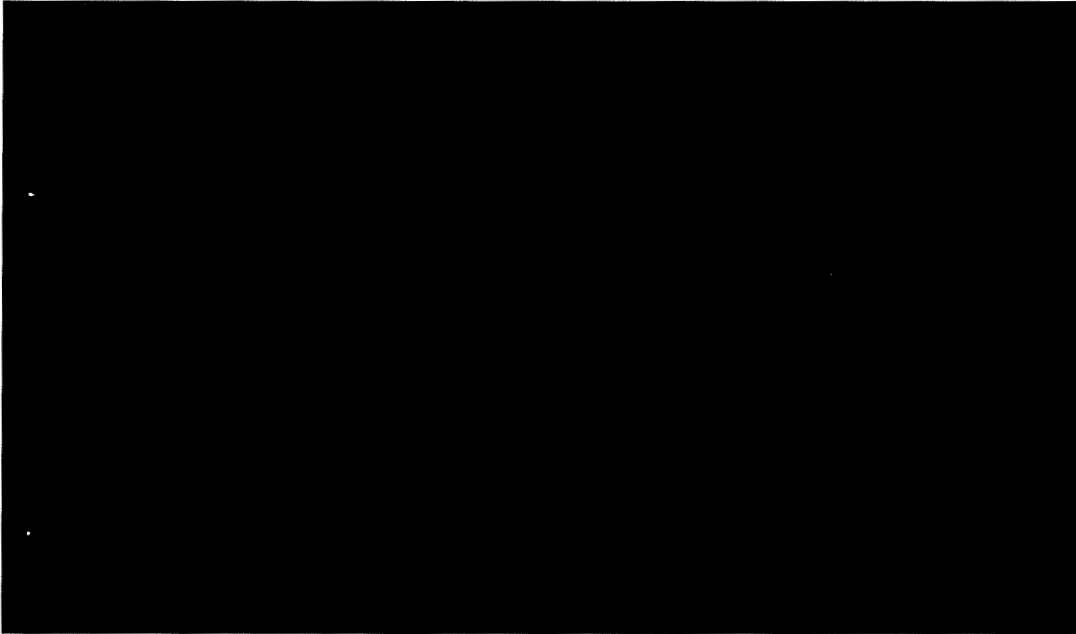
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B. Bishop Joseph Perry Agenda:

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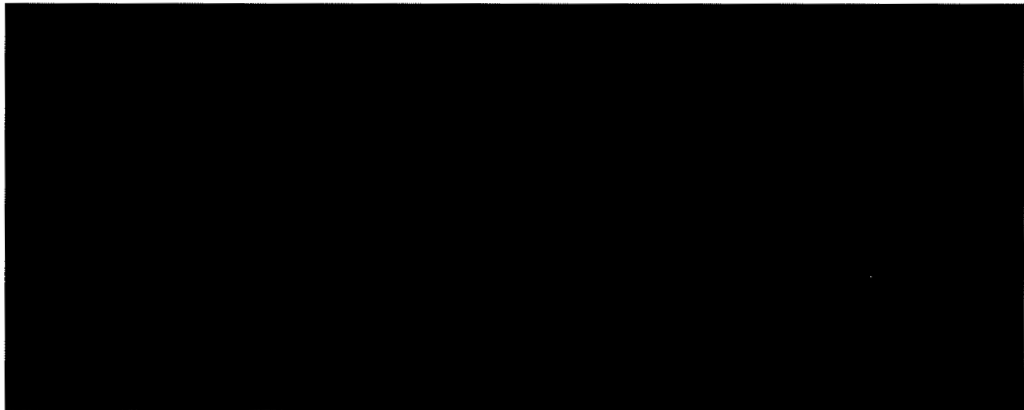
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5. **Holy Angels:** Bob Miller should move from Holy Angels and go to St. Philip Neri. In addition to this scenario, the Board recommends that Thomas Walsh '86 who is done at Presentation next year would be an excellent candidate to go to Holy Angels when the Calicott situation is settled.

III.



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17. Brian Walker OP: The Cardinal has asked Brian to consider Holy Angels when John Calicott's situation is settled.

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TRAVEL/VACATION NOTIFICATION

MAY 25 2004

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John Calicott [name of cleric] has informed this office that he will be traveling to [redacted] [destination address and contact phone number] from 25 May 2004 [departure date] through 27 May 2004 [return date].

John Calicott [name of cleric] will be monitored by [redacted] [name of travel monitor]. [redacted] [name of travel monitor] has accepted the responsibility of verifying the location and activities of John Calicott [name of cleric] during the aforementioned time frame.

[see attached correspondence]

1. Contacts with minors by John Calicott [name of cleric] must be in the presence of [redacted] [name of travel monitor]. Inappropriate situations and locations incompatible with a priestly lifestyle are to be avoided.
2. [redacted] [name of travel monitor] may be asked to attest to the activities and whereabouts of John Calicott [cleric name] over 5.25.04 ~ 5.27.04 [aforementioned time frame].
3. As previously noted, the date of return to John Calicott's [cleric name] residence has been scheduled for 5.27.04 [aforementioned return date]. However, due to weather conditions or emergencies that may arise, the date may be changed. In the event of such a circumstance, should the original plans be substantially changed, please contact PRA at [312] 751-5205.

Cleric Signature: [Signature] Date: 24 May 2004

PRA Signature: [Signature] Date: 5/25/04

A copy of this document will be provided to the cleric. The original will be placed in the cleric's file in the Office of Professional Responsibility and a copy will be placed in the cleric's file in the Vicar for Priests' Office.

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Arliott, John
Last Name, First, Middle Initial

[Redacted]
Social Security Number

200269
Employee Number

Active F/T Active P/T _____ Active P/T Benefits _____ Position _____

Ordination Date 74 Transfer to P.C. _____ Date Transfer from Agency/Parish/School# _____

Dept. Name _____ No. 10305 Agency _____ No. 10359

Pay through payroll
Regular Salary
(Compensation Book)
Other: Type

\$ 25,905

Effective Date: July 1, 2004

Non-Payroll Compensation
Type

_____ \$ _____

_____ \$ _____

-10% \$ _____

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_____ \$ _____

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_____ \$ _____

Total through Payroll \$ 23,314

Total Non-Payroll \$ _____

Comments Pastor

Birth Date _____ EEOC: OM _____ PR _____ OC _____ SW _____ SL _____ ADM _____ Other _____ Veteran _____

Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____ Handicap: Yes _____ No _____

Mailing Address _____

Street, City, State, Zip Code _____

Dental Insurance: Yes _____ No _____ Name of Dental Plan _____

Payroll Direct Deposit: Yes _____ No _____ Forms attached: Yes _____ No _____ Federal/State Taxes: Yes _____ No _____ Forms attached: Yes _____ No _____

Defined Contribution Plan (AETNA) Yes _____ No _____ Amount per year \$ _____

TRANSFERS - EFFECTIVE DATE

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Name Parish #, School #, or Agency # Personnel Services - Interim Salary #

Transfer From _____ To _____
Personnel Services - Interim Salary # Name Parish #, School #, or Agency #

Transfer From _____ To _____
Location Location

Termination/Resignation/Date _____ Reason _____

Agency Director/Date _____ Department Director/Date _____ Director, Human Resources/Date _____

Chancellor/Date _____ Director, Personnel Services/Date 07 6-9-04

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COUNTY DEPARTMENT, LAW DIVISION

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COUNTY, ILLINOIS
LAW DIVISION

JOHN DOE

Plaintiff

v.

No. 04 L 002661

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JOHN CALICOTT

Defendant

APPEARANCE

- GENERAL APPEARANCE 0900 - APPEARANCE - FEE PAID; 0909 - APPEARANCE - NO FEE;
0904 - APPEARANCE FILED - FEE WAIVED
- SPECIAL AND LIMITED APPEARANCE 0905 - SPECIAL APPEARANCE - FEE PAID
0906 - SPECIAL APPEARANCE - NO FEE
- JURY DEMAND 1900 - APPEARANCE & JURY DEMAND FEE PAID; 1909 APPEARANCE & JURY DEMAND NO FEE

The undersigned enters the appearance of: Plaintiff Defendant

JOHN CALICOTT

(INSERT LITIGANT'S NAME)

Patrick G. Reardon
SIGNATURE

- INITIAL COUNSEL OF RECORD PRO SE
- ADDITIONAL APPEARANCE SUBSTITUTE APPEARANCE

A copy of this appearance shall be given to all parties who have appeared and have not been found by the Court to be in default.

ATTORNEY

NAME: Patrick G. Reardon

ATTORNEY FOR: John Calicott

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CITY/STATE/ZIP: Chicago, Illinois 60601

TELEPHONE: 312-372-5716

INSURANCE COMPANY: _____

ATTORNEY NUMBER: 20538

PRO SE

NAME: _____

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ATTORNEY NUMBER 99500

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Plaintiff,

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Sole, Individually; JOHN CALICOTT, Individually
and as an Agent, and/or Employee of CATHOLIC
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Defendants.

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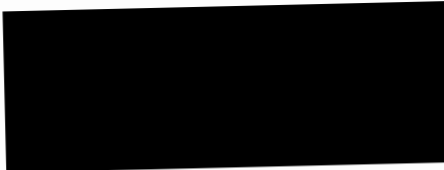
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NOTICE OF MOTION

To:



James C. Geoly
Burke Warren McKay and
Serritella PC
One IBM Plaza
330 N. Wabash, 22nd Floor
Chicago, Illinois 60611

10:00

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT on the 25 day of June, 2004, at 9:30
a.m. I shall appear before the Honorable Judge Sharon Johnson Coleman in Room 2001,
Chicago Daley Center and present the attached Motion to Vacate Any Technical Defaults
and to File Appearance and Motion to Dismiss Instanter.

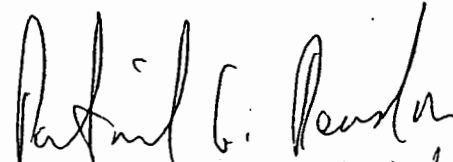
Respectfully submitted,

Patrick G. Reardon

Patrick G. Reardon
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Attorney No. 20538

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Patrick G. Reardon, an attorney, certify that I caused a copy of the foregoing Notice, Motion, Motion to Dismiss Plaintiff's Complaint and Appearance to be served upon the above mentioned individuals via first class mail this 1st day of June, 2004 before 5:00 p.m.


Patrick G. Reardon *avr/*

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**MOTION TO VACATE ANY TECHNICAL DEFAULTS AND TO FILE
APPEARANCE AND MOTION TO DISMISS INSTANTER**

NOW COMES the defendant, JOHN CALICOTT, by his attorney, Patrick G. Reardon, and respectfully asks leave of this Honorable Court to vacate any and all technical defaults and to file his Appearance and Motion to Dismiss Plaintiff's Complaint Instanter. Grounds for this Motion are as follows:

1. By agreement of the parties, defendant CALICOTT was served in this cause, at the office of his attorney.
2. Within 30 days of service, defendant did file a Motion to Dismiss Plaintiff's Complaint.
3. At the time that defendant filed his Motion to Dismiss Plaintiff's Complaint, his attorneys inadvertently failed to file an Appearance.

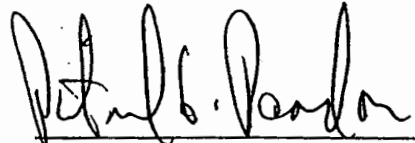
WHEREFORE, defendant, JOHN CALICOTT, requests as follows:

- A. For this Honorable Court to enter an Order vacating any technical defaults and allowing him to file his Appearance and Motion to Dismiss Plaintiff's Complaint instanter.

B. For this Honorable Court to set a briefing schedule for his Motion to Dismiss Plaintiff's Complaint.

C. For what other relief that this Court deems equitable and just.

Respectfully submitted,


Patrick G. Reardon *my*

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BISHOP OF CHICAGO, a Corporation Sole,)**

Defendants.

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**DEFENDANT CALICOTT'S MOTION TO
DISMISS PLAINTIFF'S COMPLAINT**

NOW COMES the defendant, **JOHN CALICOTT**, by his attorney, **Patrick G. Reardon**, and pursuant to 735 ILCS § 2-615; 735 ILCS § 2-619(a)(5), 735 ILCS § 2-619.1 and Ill. Rev. Stat. Ch. 110 §13-202.2 requests that this Honorable Court dismiss the plaintiff's Complaint against this defendant. Grounds for this Motion are as follows:

I. INTRODUCTION

1. The plaintiff has filed a Complaint against defendants **JOHN CALICOTT** and **THE CATHOLIC BISHOP OF CHICAGO**.
2. The plaintiff filed his Complaint on March 8, 2004. At the time the Complaint was filed, plaintiff **JOHN DOE** was 42 years of age. See Complaint, paragraph 12 of Count I.
3. The plaintiff alleges intentional infliction of emotional distress against defendant **CALICOTT** in Count III of the Complaint and negligent infliction of emotional distress against **CALICOTT** in Count IV of the Complaint. Counts I and II of the Complaint make no claims against defendant **CALICOTT**. Both the claims of intentional infliction of emotional distress

and negligent infliction of emotional distress allege that defendant **CALICOTT** sexually abused the plaintiff in 1975 and 1976.

II. MOTION TO DISMISS INTENTIONAL INFLECTION OF EMOTIONAL DISTRESS CLAIMS AND NEGLIGENT INFLECTION OF EMOTIONAL DISTRESS CLAIMS FROM 1975 AND 1976 PURSUANT TO 735 ILCS § 2-619(5)

Statute of Repose

4. The plaintiff was over the age of 30 when the instant Complaint was filed.

5. The alleged sexual abuse by this defendant against the plaintiff allegedly occurred in 1975 and 1976. See Complaint, paragraphs 13 of Counts III and IV.

6. The Illinois legislature enacted Ill. Rev. Stat. Ch. 110 § 13-202.2 (now 735 ILCS § 5/13-202.2) with an effective date of January 1, 1991. Section (b) of this statute provided the following:

An action for damages for personal injury based on childhood sexual abuse must be commenced within 2 years of the date the person abused discovers or through the use of reasonable diligence should discover that the act of childhood sexual abuse occurred and that the injury was caused by the childhood sexual abuse, but in no event may an action for personal injury based on childhood sexual abuse be commenced more than 12 years after the date on which the person abused attains the age of 18 years.

Section (e) provided that:

This Section applies to actions pending on the effective date of this amendatory Act of 1990 as well as to actions commenced on or after that date.

Under this Statute of Repose, plaintiff **DOE** would have had to file his lawsuit by December 16, 1991, which he obviously has not done.

7. Although this Statute of Repose was repealed in January, 1994, it still applies to

the plaintiff because the Statute of Repose is the defendant's vested right which the legislature cannot remove. See M.E.H. v. L.H., 177 Ill.2d 207, 685 N.E.2d 335 (1997).

8. As such, the Statute of Repose is applicable to the plaintiff and is a complete bar to allegations against this defendant based upon alleged behavior allegedly occurring in 1975 and 1976.

**III. MOTION TO DISMISS INTENTIONAL INFLICTION
OF EMOTIONAL DISTRESS CLAIM FROM
2004 PURSUANT TO 735 ILCS § 2-615**

9. In Count III of the Complaint, plaintiff alleges a cause of action for intentional infliction of emotional distress. Defendant **CALICOTT** has already responded to the allegations of sexual abuse allegedly forming the claim of intentional infliction of emotional distress which allegedly occurred in 1975 and 1976. However, in Count III of the Complaint, plaintiff also alleges intentional infliction of emotional distress due to actions that defendant **CALICOTT** allegedly performed in 2004.

10. These actions include defendant **CALICOTT** allegedly returning to Holy Angels Rectory in 2004 and lecturing students at Holy Angels School in 2004. See Complaint, paragraph 42 of Count III.

11. Initially, the plaintiff alleges a duty on the part of defendant **CALICOTT** to plaintiff in 2004 "by virtue of their relationship." See Complaint, paragraph 39 of Count III.

Why defendant **CALICOTT** has any duty to plaintiff in 2004 is not explained, except to state that is based upon their "relationship." But, even assuming *arguendo* that plaintiff and defendant

CALICOTT had a relationship of some kind in 1975 and 1976, this still does not explain how or why this prior alleged relationship created a duty by defendant CALICOTT to the plaintiff in 2004. Moreover, it stretches all credulity to believe that this alleged duty to plaintiff was breached when defendant CALICOTT allegedly went to Holy Angels Rectory in 2004 or lectured students at Holy Angels School in 2004, especially when there is no allegation in the Complaint that the plaintiff was ever present at Holy Angels Rectory or School in 2004.

12. Adams v. Sussman and Hertzberg, Ltd, 292 Ill.App. 3d 30, 684 N.E.2d 935, 950-951 (1st Dist. 1997) states the following with respect to pleading the necessary elements of a cause of action for intentional infliction of emotional distress:

To prove a cause of action for intentional infliction of emotional distress, the plaintiff must establish three elements: (1) extreme and outrageous conduct; (2) intent or knowledge by the actor that there is at least a high probability that his or her conduct would inflict severe emotional distress and reckless disregard of that probability; and (3) severe and emotional distress. *Public Finance Corp. v. Davis*, 66 Ill.2d 85, 4 Ill.Dec. 652, 360 N.E.2d 765 (1976); *Knysak v. Shelter Life Insurance Co.*, 273 Ill.App.3d 360, 210 Ill.Dec. 30, 652 N.E.2d 832 (1995); *Hearon v. City of Chicago*, 157 Ill.App.3d 633, 110 Ill.Dec. 161, 510 N.E.2d 1192 (1987). Extreme and outrageous conduct sufficient to create liability for intentional infliction of emotional distress is defined as conduct that exceeds all bounds of human decency and that is regarded as intolerable in a civilized community. *Public Finance Corp.*, 66 Ill.2d 85, 4 Ill.Dec. 652, 360 N.E.2d 765; *Khan v. American Airlines*, 266 Ill.App.3d 726, 203 Ill.Dec. 171, 639 N.E.2d 210 (1994). The tort does not extend to “mere insults, indignities, threats, annoyances, petty oppressions, or other trivialities” (*McGrath v. Fahey*, 126 Ill.2d 78, 127 Ill.Dec. 724, 533 N.E.2d 806 (1988), quoting Restatement (Second) of Torts § 46, comment d, at 73 (1965)); and the infliction of such emotional distress as fright, horror, grief, shame, humiliation and worry is not sufficient to give rise to a cause of action. The emotional distress required to support the cause of action must be so severe that no

reasonable person could be expected to endure it. Public Finance Corp., 66 Ill.2d 85, 4 Ill.Dec. 652, 360 N.E.2d 765. See generally Restatement (Second) of Torts § 46, comment j, at 77 (1965). The intensity and the duration of the distress are factors to be considered in determining its severity. Lundy v. Calumet City, 209 Ill.App.3d 790, 153 Ill.Dec. 874, 567 N.E.2d 1101 (1991).

13. With the above standards in mind, it is inconceivable that defendant **CALICOTT'S** alleged visit to Holy Angels Rectory in 2004 or his alleged lectures to students at Holy Angels School in 2004 could be considered "extreme and outrageous" conduct, especially when there is no allegation that plaintiff was present at Holy Angels Rectory when defendant **CALICOTT** allegedly appeared there or was present at Holy Angels School when defendant **CALICOTT** allegedly lectured there. No rational jury could ever decide that such alleged conduct exceeded all bounds of human decency and was intolerable in a civilized community. There is no allegation that defendant **CALICOTT** abused minors when he allegedly appeared at Holy Angels Rectory in 2004. There is no allegation that defendant **CALICOTT** abused minors when he lectured students at Holy Angels School in 2004. There is absolutely no allegation that defendant **CALICOTT'S** alleged visits to Holy Angels Rectory and School in 2004 in any way involved the plaintiff.

14. Moreover, such conduct cannot satisfy the second element of the tort of intentional infliction of emotional distress. Again, it is inconceivable that defendant **CALICOTT** intended or had knowledge that his alleged visits to Holy Angels Rectory and his alleged lectures at Holy Angels School in 2004 would inflict severe emotional distress on someone that he had allegedly last seen in 1976, and that he recklessly disregarded that probability. Defendant **CALICOTT'S**

alleged conduct in 2004 did not even rise to the level of “mere insults, indignities, threats, annoyances, petty oppressions, or other trivialities” to plaintiff, much less conduct that exceeded all bounds of human decency and was intolerable in a civilized community. None of the alleged conduct in 2004 directly or indirectly involved the plaintiff.

15. Finally, there is no indication in the Complaint that the plaintiff has suffered from the severe emotional distress that is required under this cause of action from the alleged conduct of defendant **CALICOTT** in 2004. Plaintiff merely alleges in the Complaint certain conclusions regarding his emotional damages. See Complaint, paragraph 45 of Count III. He alleges “tremendous mental suffering and psychological injuries.” He does not mention how these injuries manifest themselves or what they consist of. As such, plaintiff has failed to satisfy the third element of the tort of intentional infliction of emotional distress, since it is impossible to determine whether these alleged mental injuries are severe enough to satisfy the requirements of this cause of action.

**IV. MOTION TO DISMISS NEGLIGENT INFLICTION
OF EMOTIONAL DISTRESS CLAIM FROM
2004 PURSUANT TO 735 ILCS § 2-615**

16. In Count IV of the Complaint, plaintiff alleges a cause of action for negligent infliction of emotional distress. Defendant **CALICOTT** has already responded to the allegations of sexual abuse allegedly forming the claim of negligent infliction of emotional distress which allegedly occurred in 1975 and 1976. However, in Count IV of the Complaint, plaintiff also alleges negligent infliction of emotional distress due to actions that defendant **CALICOTT**

allegedly performed in 2004.

17. Defendant **CALICOTT** re-alleges paragraph 11 as paragraph 17.

18. When analyzing the tort of negligent infliction of emotional distress in Illinois, a plaintiff can either be a direct victim or a bystander. See Rekosh v. Parks, 316 Ill.App.3d 58, 735 N.E.2d 765 (2nd Dist. 2000); Hiscott v. Peters, 324 Ill.App.3d 114, 754 N.E.2d 839 (2nd Dist. 2001). In the allegations relating to the alleged conduct of defendant **CALICOTT** in 2004, the plaintiff is obviously a bystander, since there is no allegation that he was ever present or in contact (physical or otherwise) with defendant **CALICOTT** in 2004.

19. As such, the plaintiff has failed to state a cause of action for negligent infliction of emotional distress. As stated in Rekosh, *supra* at 771:

In Rickey v. Chicago Transit Authority, 98 Ill.2d 546, 555, 75 Ill.Dec. 211, 457 N.E.2d 1 (1983), our supreme court recognized a limited exception to the “impact rule” known as the “zone of physical danger rule.” The “zone of physical danger rule” requires that the bystander must have been in such proximity to the accident that injured the direct victim that there was a high risk to himself of physical impact. Rickey, 98 Ill.2d at 555, 75 Ill.Dec. 211, 457 N.E.2d 1. The bystander must also show physical injury or illness resulting from the emotional distress caused by the defendant's negligence. Rickey, 98 Ill.2d at 555, 75 Ill.Dec. 211, 457 N.E.2d 1.

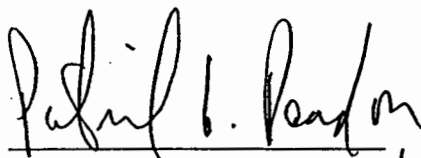
20. In the instant cause, there is no allegation that the plaintiff was in any danger of physical impact and there is no allegation that the plaintiff was physically injured or developed a physical injury as a result of this defendant's alleged negligence.

V.

CONCLUSION

In conclusion, the Statute of Repose bars plaintiff's claims against defendant CALICOTT for behavior which allegedly occurred in 1975 and 1976. Further, the plaintiff has failed to state a cause of action against defendant CALICOTT for behavior which allegedly occurred in 2004. As such, plaintiff's Complaint must be dismissed with prejudice.

Respectfully submitted,


Patrick G. Reardon *mhw*

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OFFICE OF LEGAL SERVICES

July 15, 2004

John O'Malley
ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO
155 East Superior
Chicago, Illinois 60611

Re: [REDACTED]

Dear John:

This letter is to confirm our prior conversation informing you that [REDACTED] has retained me as his attorney to represent him in regards to his claim from being molested as a child by John Calicott at St. Ailbe's Parish. I understand that you will be putting me in touch with counsel for the Archdiocese who can negotiate this matter on behalf of the Archdiocese. Please have whomever this is contact me at the above number at their earliest convenience.

Very truly yours, [REDACTED]

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MEMORANDUM

To: File – PFR-13
From: Review Board Meeting
Re: Rev. John Calicott (Withdrawn)
Date: July 17, 2004

A summary of the discussion from the Review Board Meeting on July 17, 2004:

- **Rev. John Calicott** has refused to complete a Daily Log as per the Individual Specific Protocols. The Cardinal has approved a cut to Fr. Calicott's salary as a result.

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Professional Responsibility Review Board
Saturday, July 17, 2004 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

MINUTES

Review Board Members Present:

[REDACTED]

Members absent:

[REDACTED]

Non-members present:

Leah McCluskey, Professional Responsibility Administrator [PRA]
Rev. Daniel Smilanic, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board

I. Approval of Minutes - June 19, 2004

II. Case Reviews

Initial Review

A. [REDACTED]

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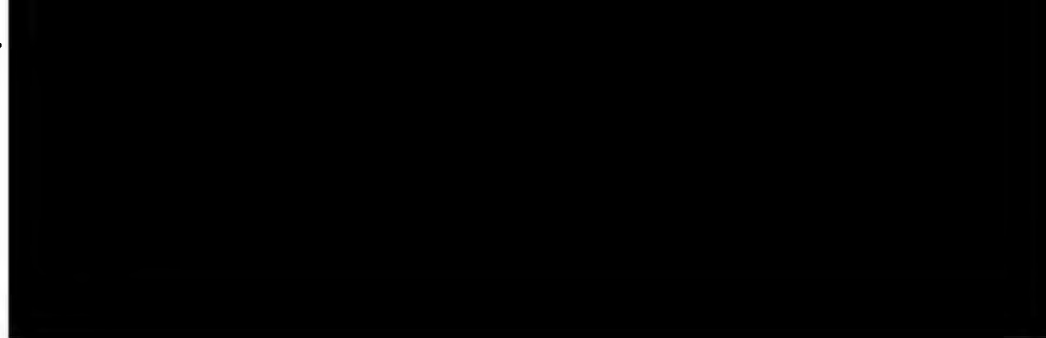
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III. Other Matters

- [Redacted]
- [Redacted]
- Terms for Board members [Redacted] and [Redacted] will expire in September 2004
- [Redacted]
- PRA provided the Board information on the following:
 - [Redacted]
 - **Rev. John Calicott** has refused to complete a Daily Log as per the Individual Specific Protocols. The Cardinal has approved a cut to Fr. Calicott's salary as a result.
 - [Redacted]
 - [Redacted]

- PRA updated the Board with Cardinal George's decisions based upon their recommendations from the June 19, 2004 meeting

Next scheduled meeting is August 21, 2004 at 9:00 a.m.

Cc: Review Board Members
Rev. Daniel A. Smilanic, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board
Rev. James T. Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests
Rev. Edward D. Grace, Vicar for Priests
Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I.

From: Leah McCluskey
To: Zrust, MaryAnn
Date: 8/3/04 2:57PM
Subject: Calicott

Sr. Mary Ann,

Welcome back! Hope the last day of the conference went well :)

Could you please ask Kaz to check his Calicott file to see if there is a written response from Pat Reardon [on behalf of Calicott] to [REDACTED]'s allegation from when the allegation first came in 1994? If Kaz has such a document, could I please have a copy for my files?

Thanks.

Leah

No document indicated that Pat Reardon wrote on behalf of J. Calicott to [REDACTED]

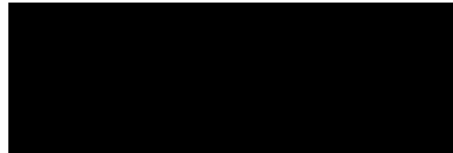
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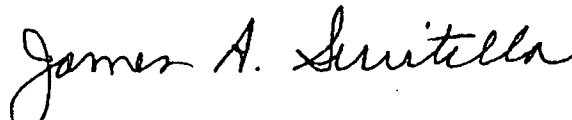
Re: [REDACTED] Father John Calicott

Dear [REDACTED]:

I am following up on your letter regarding the above matter. I have passed your correspondence on to Ms. Leah McCluskey, the Fitness Review Administrator of the Archdiocese of Chicago. It is my understanding that someone from her office has been or will be in contact with you about this matter. Either you or your client may contact Mr. Ralph Bonaccorsi (312-751-8267), Assistance Minister of the Archdiocese, for therapy at the Archdiocese's expense from a licensed therapist, pastoral counseling or related assistance. We would also note that in reviewing our records, we found that [REDACTED] came forward before in 1994 concerning Father Calicott and did not advance a claim at that time.

Please call me if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,


James A. Serritella

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cc: Leah McCluskey
Ralph Bonaccorsi

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bcc: Reverend James Kaczorowski
Reverend Edward Grace
John O'Malley

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AOC 011431

From: MaryAnn Zrust
To: Leah McCluskey
Date: 8/6/04 11:59AM
Subject: Calicott

Leah,

I reviewed J. Calicott's file and found no document from Pat Reardon to [REDACTED] on behalf of John Calicott when the allegation first was made, 1994. If there is anything else that can be done, please let me know.

Mary Ann

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August 9, 2004

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Mr. Patrick Reardon
221 North LaSalle Street, Suite 1938
Chicago, IL 60601

Dear Mr. Reardon,

I am writing this letter in regards to your client, Rev. John Calicott.

In a review of files, it has come to my attention that Mr. [REDACTED] came forward to the Archdiocese of Chicago in 1994 with an allegation of sexual misconduct of a minor against Fr. Calicott. According to documentation in the files, you as Fr. Calicott's counsel indicated that a response to Mr. [REDACTED] allegation would be written on behalf of your client and forwarded to the Archdiocese.

A copy of a written response on Fr. Calicott's behalf is not present in the files in the Office of Professional Responsibility [formerly Professional Fitness Review]. I request that you forward a copy of Fr. Calicott's response to Mr. [REDACTED] allegation to my attention as soon as possible.

I thank you in advance for your cooperation with this matter. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at [312] 751-5205.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Leah McCluskey".
Leah McCluskey
Professional Responsibility Administrator

AOC 011433

TRAVEL/VACATION NOTIFICATION

AUG 18 2004

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John Calicott [name of cleric] has informed this office that he will be traveling to
[redacted] ¹¹²⁵ [destination address and contact phone number] from
8.20.04 [departure date] through 9.9.04 [return date].

John Calicott [name of cleric] will be monitored by
[redacted] [name of travel monitor]. [redacted] [name of
travel monitor] has accepted the responsibility of verifying the location and activities of
John Calicott [name of cleric] during the aforementioned time frame.

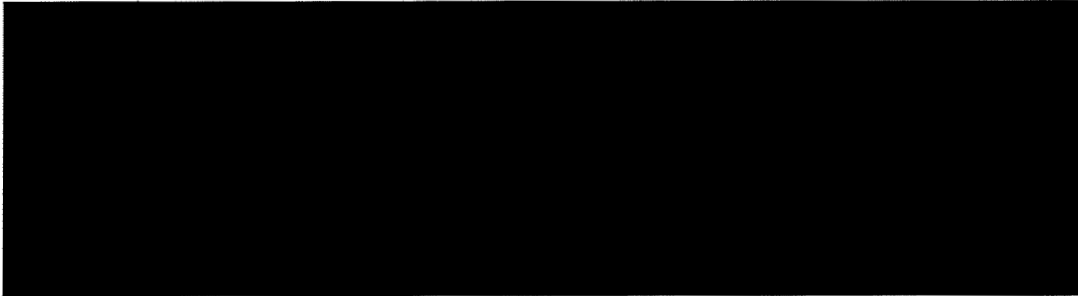
[see attached correspondence]

1. Contacts with minors by John Calicott [name of cleric] must be in the presence of [redacted] [name of travel monitor]. Inappropriate situations and locations incompatible with a priestly lifestyle are to be avoided.
2. [redacted] [name of travel monitor] may be asked to attest to the activities and whereabouts of John Calicott [cleric name] over 8.20.04-9.9.04 [aforementioned time frame].
3. As previously noted, the date of return to John Calicott's [cleric name] residence has been scheduled for 9.9.04 [aforementioned return date].
However, due to weather conditions or emergencies that may arise, the date may be changed. In the event of such a circumstance, should the original plans be substantially changed, please contact PRA at [312] 751-5205.

Cleric Signature: [Signature] Date: 8.17.04
 PRA Signature: [Signature] Date: 8/19/04

A copy of this document will be provided to the cleric. The original will be placed in the cleric's file in the Office of Professional Responsibility and a copy will be placed in the cleric's file in the Vicar for Priests' Office.

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F. Bishop Perry Agenda:

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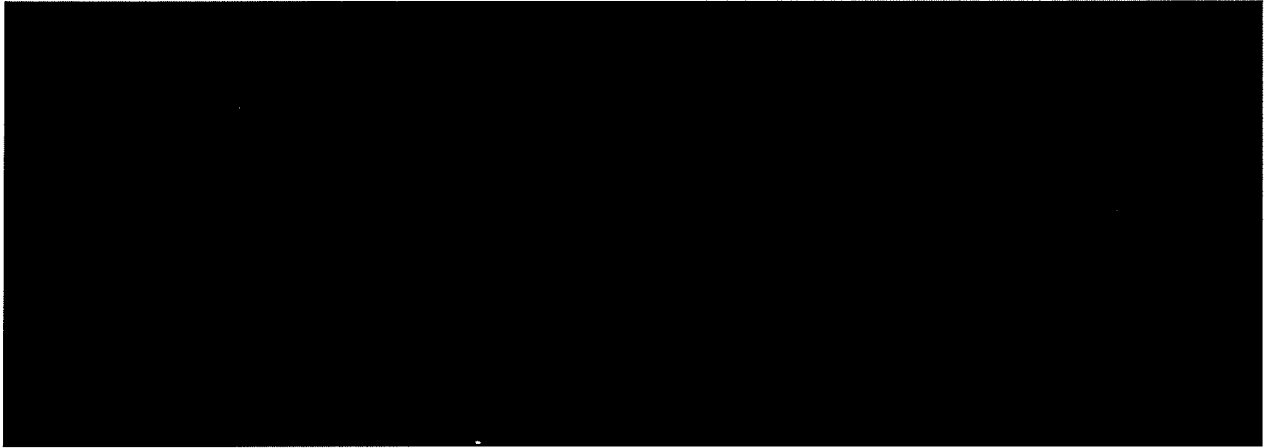
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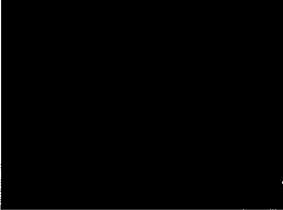
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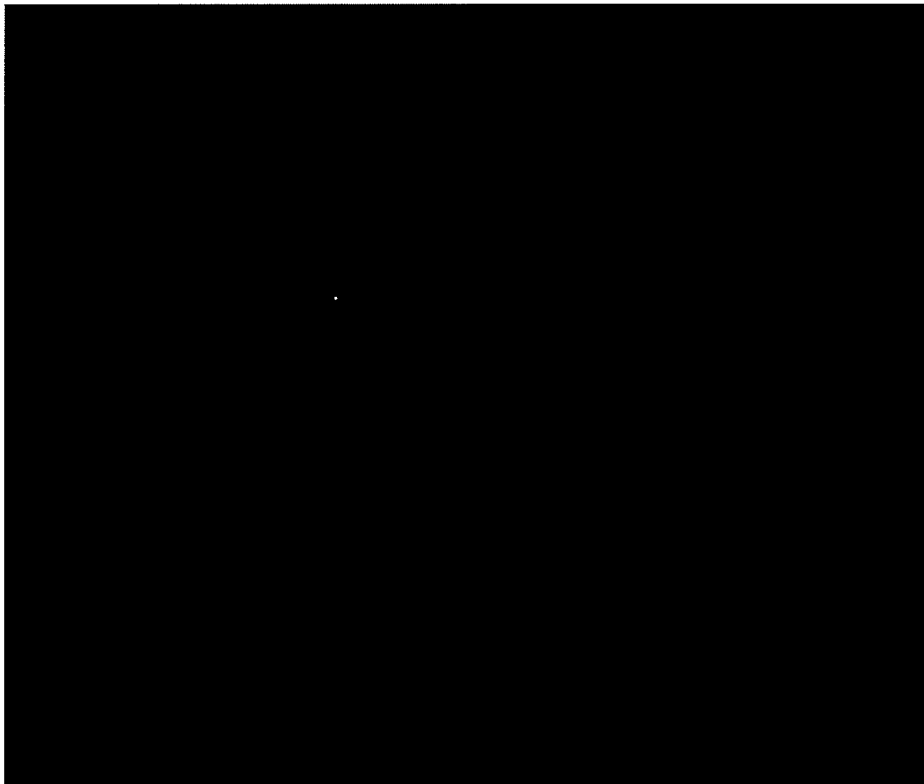


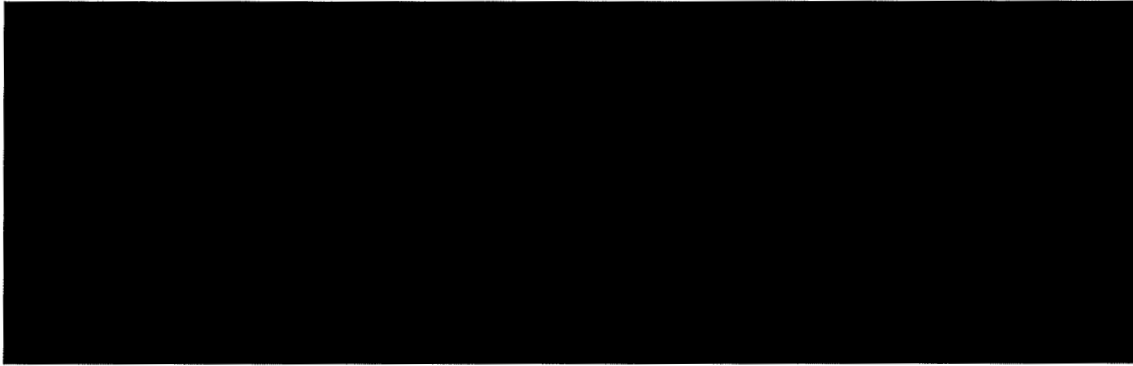
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2. Priests:

a) John Calicott '74: John's case continues, but Bishop Perry and David Jones feel people are thinking he is not coming back.

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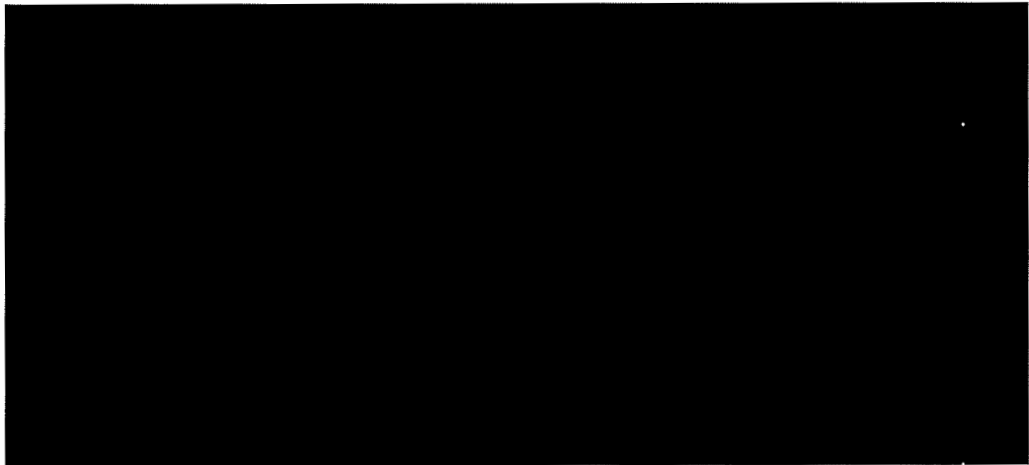
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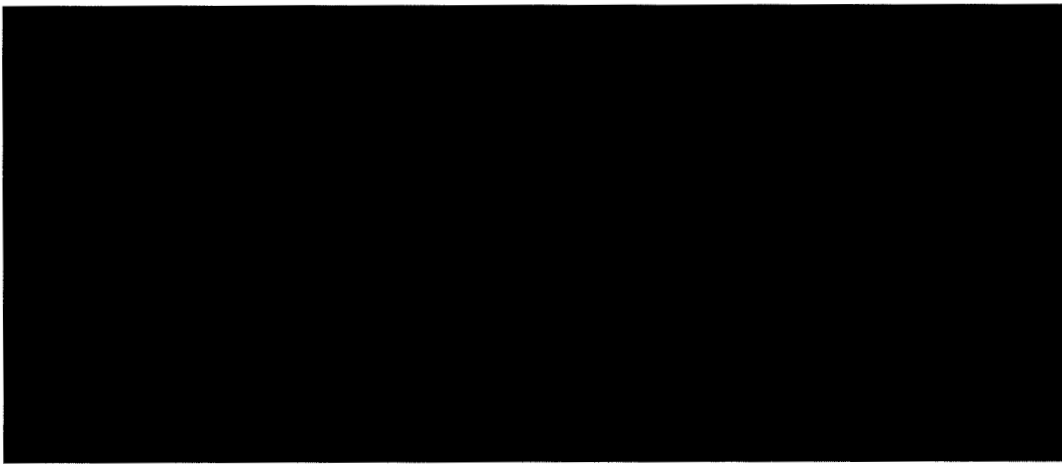
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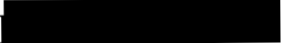
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MEMORANDUM


To: File – PFR-13

From: Leah McCluskey, Professional Responsibility Administrator 

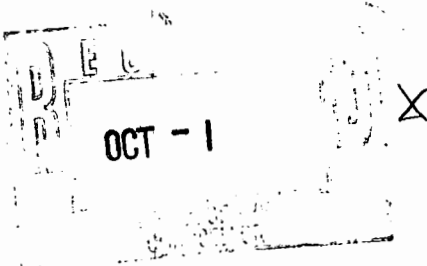
Re: Calicott, Rev. John [Withdrawn 

Date: September 15, 2004

Upon a review of files, it was determined that a third party [Rev. John Breslin] contacted the office of Assistance Ministry via phone on February 26, 2004 regarding Mr. 
 allegation of sexual misconduct against Rev. John Calicott. This information was then forwarded to the Office of Professional Responsibility.

Due to the fact that PRA has no contact information for Mr.  and that he has not contacted PRA on his own accord, this matter is considered to be Inactive at this time.

Cc: Rev. Daniel Smilanic, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board
Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests
Ralph Bonaccorsi, Assistance Ministry

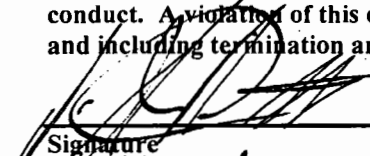


CODE OF CONDUCT ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FORM
Archdiocesan, Religious and Extern Priests

Parish/School/Agency Holy Angels

DATE 17 September 2004

I have received a copy of the CODE OF CONDUCT FOR CHURCH PERSONNEL. I have read and understand the Code of Conduct, and I agree to abide by it. I have also read and understand the "Measures to Aid Observance of the Code of Conduct" and the "Practical Suggestions" and will employ them to help me observe the code of conduct. A violation of this code can result in disciplinary action, up to and including termination and/or removal from ministry.



Signature

Rev. Joluc W. Carlicott

Print Name

Pastor

Position

- Archdiocesan Extern
 Religious Community _____

The signed Code of Conduct Acknowledgement Form shall be kept in personnel files at the Pastoral Center. Please return the acknowledgement form to:

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Office of the Chancellor
Archdiocese of Chicago
155 E. Superior
Chicago, IL. 60611

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October 4, 2004

Mr. Patrick Reardon
221 North LaSalle Street, Suite 1938
Chicago, IL 60601

Dear Mr. Reardon,

I am writing this letter in follow-up to the August 9, 2004 letter that I wrote to you in regards to your client, Rev. John Calicott.

As I stated in my August 9th letter, I am asking at this time for a written response to Mr. [REDACTED]'s allegation of sexual misconduct against Fr. Calicott. Mr. [REDACTED] first notified the Archdiocese of Chicago in 1994 of his alleged abuse by Fr. Calicott.

I ask that you please forward Fr. Calicott's written response to Mr. [REDACTED]'s allegation to my attention by October 18, 2004. I will then present Mr. [REDACTED]'s allegation and Fr. Calicott's response to the independent Review Board for their recommendations to Cardinal Francis George, O.M.I.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at [312] 751-5205.

Sincerely,

Leah McCluskey ^{AMP}

Leah McCluskey
Professional Responsibility Administrator

Cc: Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests
Rev. Kevin Vann, Canonical Advocate
Rev. John Calicott

AOC 011441

PBC
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October 19, 2004

Mr. James A. Serritella
Burke, Warren, MacKay & Serritella, P.C.
330 North Wabash Avenue, 22nd Floor
Chicago, Illinois 60611-3607

Re: [REDACTED] Father John Calicott

Dear Mr. Serritella:

Please find enclosed several documents regarding Mr. [REDACTED]. Also, please advise of a date and time in which these matters can be discussed with Mr. [REDACTED].

If you have any questions feel free to contact me at the office.

Very truly yours,

[REDACTED]

Enc.
[REDACTED]

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4. [REDACTED]
5. [REDACTED]
6. [REDACTED]

7. **Robert Miller '76:** A memo from the Cardinal says no to Bob's sabbatical and that Bob must stay at Holy Angels until after John Calicott's trial.

8. [REDACTED]
9. [REDACTED]
10. [REDACTED]
11. [REDACTED]

F. [REDACTED]
G. [REDACTED]
H. [REDACTED]

Victim Statement Abstract:

This abstract replaces a letter written by Victim IO, addressed “To the Hierarchy of the Archdiocese of Chicago” and dated November 1, 2004. The letter is carbon copied to Leah McCluskey, Ralph Bonaccorsi and Cardinal George. In the letter, Victim IO describes how his abuse by Fr. John Calicott in 1980 and the actions of the Archdiocese in response to the allegations against Fr. Calicott over the years have negatively affected Victim IO’s life.

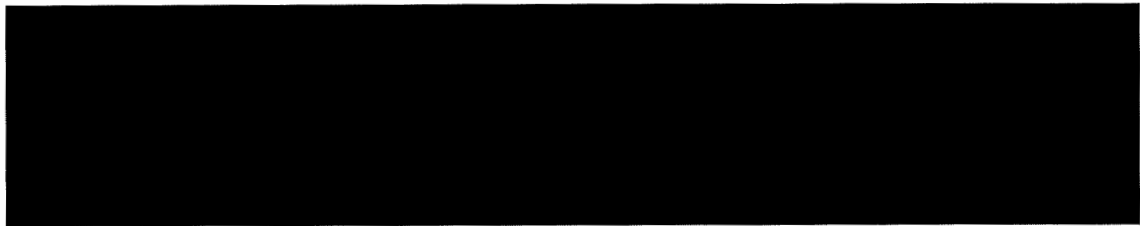
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UPCOMING PARISHES



John Calicott '74

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Holy Angels

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