

**Memo to File, RE: Phone conversation with [REDACTED] April 2, 2002 with Deacon Timoteo Lujan.**

[REDACTED] phoned the Chancery today at 9:14am mst. Requesting to speak with me. I immediately took the call. He introduced himself to me, I let him know that I was aware of who he was and that I was aware of the circumstances regarding his recent communication with Mrs. June Kellen, Chancellor of the Diocese of Tucson. [REDACTED] seemed surprised that Fr. Burns was a priest of the Diocese of Gallup. He indicated that he had received information about this from Mrs. Kellen above. He also commented about the letter he sent to the attorney general of Arizona and how he had written a letter rescinding that. This was somewhat confusing and I am not sure what he was trying to say. I did not want to push the issue and turn the conversation into a discussion about litigation.

[REDACTED] was very cordial and friendly, the entire conversation was this way. He did not ask for anything nor did he make any threats about what he was or was not planning to do.

He expressed great surprise and concern that Fr. Burns had been in and around Thatcher without the knowledge or permission of either the Diocese of Gallup or Tucson. He went on to say the whole story told him by Fr. Burns about his assignment in Thatcher, Arizona was a lie to keep him (Fr. Burns) legitimately near him [REDACTED]. He asked where Fr. Burns was now, I answered truthfully, that Fr. Burns is retired in Wickenburg, AZ.

[REDACTED] then went into great detail regarding his current condition, he is seeing therapists and counselors. He has been unemployed since last September due to health problems. He is waiting for a liver transplant, he recounted again how deeply hurt he was and remains over what was done to him by Fr. Burns. I listened sympathetically assuring him of our prayers and willingness to help in some way. [REDACTED] found it important to relay to me that he was loyal to the Church and was still an active parishioner.

[REDACTED] commented frequently his high admiration and trust of Fr. O'Keefe who had been Pastor in St. Johns while he was a youth and also while Fr. Burns was abusing him. He lamented that he should have gone to Fr. O'Keefe in the beginning. He asked about Fr. O'Keefe. I asked him if he would be willing to hear from him (Fr. O'Keefe) he responded enthusiastically that he would very much like to hear from Fr. O'Keefe at any time and went on to give me his phone number and reasons why he would or would not be at home. In closing, I reassured [REDACTED] again that we deeply regretted the injury done to him by Fr. Burns and that we would keep him in our prayers.