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Re: *Rudofski vs Diocese of Joliet*
=====
Father Lawrence Mullins

Dear Mr. Johnson:

As per a Court Order, I am enclosing Diocesan records of Father Anthony Ross consisting of the following:

- 1.) **Priest file of Father Lawrence Mullins** (total pages 489)
- 2.) **A Privilege Log**, for documents in this priest file.

Names of Accusers

The only names of accusers that have been made public are those who have filed lawsuits using their full identity, i.e., [REDACTED]

My Best Regards,

SPESIA & AYERS

By: *James C. Byrne*
James C. Byrne

JCB/skm

cc: The Most Rev. R. Daniel Conlon, JCD
The Honorable Michael Powers
Mr. Patrick Bradley, Esq.
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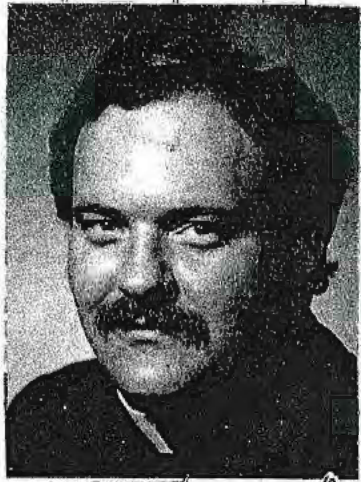
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FR. MULLINS SCAN FROM THE DIOCESE OF JOLIET NO. 11

ORDERS	DATE CONFERRED	ORDAINING BISHOP	PLACE	DATE CONFERRED	EXTRAORDINARY APPOINTMENTS	DATE RELIEVED
TONSURE						
FIRST MINORS						
SEC. MINORS						
SUB-DIACONATE						
DIACONATE						
PRIESTHOOD	10/15/77	Romeo Blanchette	Cathedral of St. Raymond			

DATE APPOINTED			ASSIGNMENT	DATE LEFT	DATE OF BIRTH	PLACE OF BIRTH
10	15	1977	Joliet, Cathedral of St. Raymond	Assoc.	6 15 '83	
6	15	'83	Elmhurst Immaculate Conception Assoc.		6 22 88	
6	22	88	Naperville St. Mary. Mary Assoc.		3 1 93	
3	1	93	(Sick Leave)			

HOME ADDRESS	[REDACTED]
HOME PARISH	[REDACTED]
NATIONALITY	
FATHER'S NAME	[REDACTED]
MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME	[REDACTED]
READING KNOWLEDGE OF LANGUAGES OTHER THAN ENGLISH	
SPEAKING KNOWLEDGE OF LANGUAGES OTHER THAN ENGLISH	
PUBLIC SPEAKING RATING	
PREPARATORY EDUCATION	St. Charles B. Sem., Our Lady of Angels
	DeAndreis Institute of Theology
DEGREES	B. A. Sociology; M.A. Theology
REMARKS:	



Reverend Lawrence Mullins

MULLINS, LAWRENCE

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Larry Mullins

Note on Xmas card to him: 12/19/86

"Larry, you are one I've been praying for resurrection for a long time. I continue to be grateful for your loving care of [redacted] for your children, with [redacted] and for all you do - but more important than what you do is who you are, a zealous, generous, still young (to me) friend of Jesus Christ. Let's not delay [redacted] If I can help you in any way, Loller! [redacted]

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M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Bishop Joseph Imesch
FROM: Bishop Roger Kaffer
RE: Father Larry Mullins

I met for about 45 minutes with Larry this morning. I was pleased - he was about 15 minutes early. The meeting was cordial and the conversation frank. Larry is hurt and angry at some of the negative things being said about him by his fellow priests. He cannot understand our lack of charity for and about each other. He mentioned that he has been accused of having been responsible for the indebtedness at both the Cathedral and Immaculate Conception, by being a big spender.

Larry likes [REDACTED] and is so happy to have someone with whom he can really talk things out. He also likes [REDACTED]. He was quite taken aback to learn that [REDACTED] had real reservations about coming to Immaculate Conception because of Larry, being told he is aggressive, hard to get along with, runs the show, etc.

I recalled to Larry that I know and he has told me that he will do what he is told. He told both Father O'Keefe and Father Wilkening that. However, I also acknowledged that Larry in effect ran both the Cathedral and Immaculate Conception because of the style of the pastors. Larry is able to step in and take charge. I have complimented him in the past and reminded him of that, telling him I was grateful for what he had done at the Cathedral. Since I have said that to him and others in the past, he did recall it and is grateful. I also reminded Larry that anybody who really gets things done is going to be subject to criticism.

We then got on to his own personal problems. He is probably going through a mid-life crisis in his early forties. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Larry also said he knows he needs a spiritual director, and was considering having a woman for his spiritual director. I suggested [REDACTED]

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██████████
Thoughts this morning before you meet:

1. Please listen but don't give any answer yet.
2. Talk to ██████████ and get any input from him. He may feel very strongly about what he will or will not do.
3. Follow your own procedures from our present guidelines.
4. Consult outside the diocese.
5. As I told ██████████ the role of counsellor is advocate; the role of administrator is to secure the common good. The common good must always take precedence. For weal or woe, yours is the ultimate responsibility for the common good.
6. I am not as convinced this morning as I was last night of truthfulness. Denial is part of this disease, so maybe I should not say truthfulness as much as accuracy or fact.
7. I would not allow him to stay, and I believe he is ready to go. Hence I would reiterate 1. and 2. above.
8. Sorry if my observations and disagreement cause you grief, but I would be disloyal to you not to articulate my "wisdom".
9. I left a message on Larry's answering machine that he could come at 11:00 or 1:00. Since I have a personnel board meeting, and feared we might not connect, I am typing this myself at home so you will at least have my counsel before you meet. This morning was my 6:00 am prayer session with ██████████ You were prayed for very especially.

In the Sacred Heart,

+R.I.K. 1/5/93

F. Mullins

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L.

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1-17-1993

While a priest who knew [redacted] very well was talking to him about another matter on Jan. 2, 1993, at my request, [redacted] told him he could provide some other information. The priest said he didn't want it, but that [redacted] should tell it to me. [redacted] told him to have me call if I wanted to talk to him. I called [redacted] right away and arranged to meet him at the Chancery at 4:00 p.m. the next day, Sunday, January 3. [redacted] told me L. and he had engaged in mutual masturbation less than 10 times about 12 years ago at the rectory, either just before or just after [redacted] had graduated from high school.

On Jan. 4, I saw L. at my residence at 8:00 p.m. and confronted him on this. He said [redacted] that the young man was not a minor at the time. [redacted]

[redacted] I also discussed a change of residence [redacted]

On Thursday, Jan. 7, I met with the parents of [redacted], who told me their younger son said L. put his hand down his pants.

On Tuesday Jan. 12 I talked with [redacted] himself, the older son, who told me L. was known as Gacy to the 8th grade boys and had twice put his hand down [redacted] basketball trunks, fondling him the first time and grabbing his penis the second time, saying: "What's this?" He also told me he thought his parents were confusing him and his younger brother, and that L. had touched not the younger but the older son. He likewise told me he thought L. put his hand down the trunks of all the basketball team members, generally the last one out of the locker room. He said he would also corner them in the hallway at school and do it. He said on a sickness scale he did not think it was as serious as other kinds of sexual activity, but he was "all over the place."

[redacted] met with Bishop Imesch on Thursday, Jan. 13 at 10:00 a.m. at his (Bp. Imesch's) residence.

L. emphasized both to me and to Bp. Imesch that nothing has happened since he left [redacted] parish. [redacted]

[redacted]

On Sunday, January 16, I phoned [redacted] to ask if he can help me locate and contact another person who he suspects may have been involved with L. (which L. has denied).

+RLK

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PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL MEMO

After my meeting with L. on Jan. 4, 1993, I told Bishop Imesch I think he should be removed from the parish at once, and reside at a non-parish place (perhaps one of Chicago's two residences for priests with problems) while getting evaluation and treatment.

On Tuesday, Jan. 12 in the afternoon, I told L.'s pastor I was very uncomfortable with his staying at the parish while the evaluation is being set up (L. was not in when I called). I spoke with L. Tuesday night and told him the same thing. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

When Bp. Imesch met with [REDACTED] said he didn't care whether or not L. remained in ministry.

I reiterated my disagreement with L.'s remaining in or assignment to parish ministry, and said I do not believe him: denial is part of the disease, if L. has the disease.

On Friday, Jan. 14, [REDACTED] told me she and [REDACTED] spoke with the parents of [REDACTED] last Tuesday night, January 12th, and we set up a dinner meeting with them at their request on January 20th.

On Saturday, January 15, I spent an hour with Cardinal Bernardin reviewing my disagreement with Bp. Imesch on this matter, and seeking his advice. From the situation as I presented it, he agrees with me, and suggested I go to him one more time to state my disagreement in conscience on this matter. I told him I would have no difficulty telling Bp. Imesch I consulted him, if he has no objection. He has none. So I did. Bishop Imesch will talk to the Cardinal.

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+R.Z.K. 1/17/93

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June 14, 1993

Reverend Larry Mullins
St. Luke's Institute
2420 Brooks Drive
Suitland, MD 20746-5294

Dear Larry:

It is Saturday morning, June 12th, as I dictate this letter, driving to the Diocesan Pastoral Council Meeting (without a great deal of enthusiasm, I might add - it's a beautiful day to be almost anyplace else!) You are so often in my thoughts and in my prayers. [REDACTED] tells me he talks to you and you are finding St. Luke's to be immensely helpful. I can't tell you how pleased I am for that. I told him earlier this week that I was going to write you soon, and today is the day.

Last night I had my last confirmation at [REDACTED] and this week the clergy appointments finally were announced. I'll ask [REDACTED] to photo the list from the Explorer in case you haven't seen it.

Last Saturday, I got a haircut from [REDACTED]. He talked to me about a chaplain - I know they miss you. I did get to [REDACTED] at which he gratefully mentioned you when speaking of the fine associates who have worked with him at [REDACTED]. I think [REDACTED] is finally ready to leave [REDACTED]. Let me thank you for your very helpful insights on the Pastor Appraisal form. They were very much appreciated. The individual responses have been destroyed and [REDACTED] was given a composite.

[REDACTED]

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Reverend Larry Mullins

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June 14, 1993

[REDACTED]

On the local scene, the second gaming boat has been launched in Joliet. The first one, the Empress, has brought in between eight and nine million dollars in taxes to the City of Joliet in the past year and a half! I believe the taxes to the State have been \$70,000,000.00 from that one boat. Harrah's has a temporary pavilion and their permanent pavilion is going up. You wouldn't recognize downtown Joliet. They threw up a parking garage that looks like a beautiful modern castle in about three months time.

The Bulls won their second from Phoenix last night, and happily I was able to hear a good part of the last half on my way home from Confirmation.

Well, I just pulled in to the Pastoral Center, waved at [REDACTED] and with that will conclude this letter. I prayed for you this morning by name on my Sacred Heart Saturday list, as I have done for years. I do pray for you all the time, and count on your prayers in return.

With cordial personal regards, and with a plea and a promise of continued mutual prayers always, I remain

Sincerely yours in the Sacred Heart,

Most Reverend Roger L. Kaffer
Auxiliary Bishop of Joliet
Vicar General

RLK:bjd

Enclosure

Diocese of Joliet

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Chancery

425 Summit St
Joliet, Illinois 60435

815-722-6606
Fax 815-722-6602

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Just I forget - we spoke briefly about Larry Mullins, you said St. Luke's wants to know sooner than later re: his future.

I don't know how he could ever minister again as a priest. That was my personal conviction even before our meeting with [redacted]. That meeting just confirmed me in my view.

Indeed, we can discuss it more at length if you wish, but in the meantime the weeks are ticking away so let St. Luke's help him readjust.

Frj
7/22/93

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February 28, 1994

Dear Fr. Roger Kaffer:

In our discussion concerning Fr. Anthony J. Ross and Fr. Larry Mullins on Tuesday, January 12, 1993, I consulted you in confidence as a priest. I wish to have that confidence respected.

Sincerely,



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April 26, 1994

The Most Reverend Joseph L. Imesch
Catholic Chancery Office
425 Summit Street
Joliet, Illinois 60435

Dear Bishop,

Greetings! I'm writing to let you know [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] I am presently making preparations for finding employment in the
Washington, D.C. area. I have discussed relocating to D.C. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

There are some concerns that need to be addressed in the area of finances. I am presently working a part-time job and in search of full-time employment; in finding full-time employment I will be able to financially sustain myself. At present I am in the process of working on a realistic budget which will cover all of my expected expenses. I have already make preparations to "turn in" my car, it is too expensive, and I will attempt to lease a smaller, less expensive vehicle. I am also in the process of looking for an apartment. I would like to ask the diocese to financially

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support me for the first six month period. I would hope to have secured a full time position by this time. I am also asking that the diocese continue to cover me with health and car insurance, at least for that initial six month period.

I realize that the diocese has spent an incredible amount of money on [REDACTED] I hope you know how grateful I am for that support. However, I believe that as I build upon what I have received I will be able to later repay the diocese in living a lifestyle [REDACTED] in priestly service.

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] when I look back I realize what a dysfunctional lifestyle I had been leading. I cannot express to you the full extent of my gratitude. Please know that you and the diocese are in my prayers.

Sincerely,
Larry
Larry Mullins

[REDACTED]

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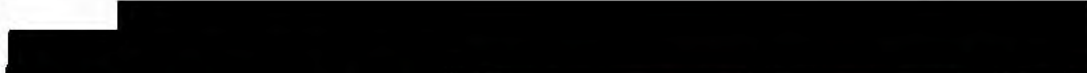
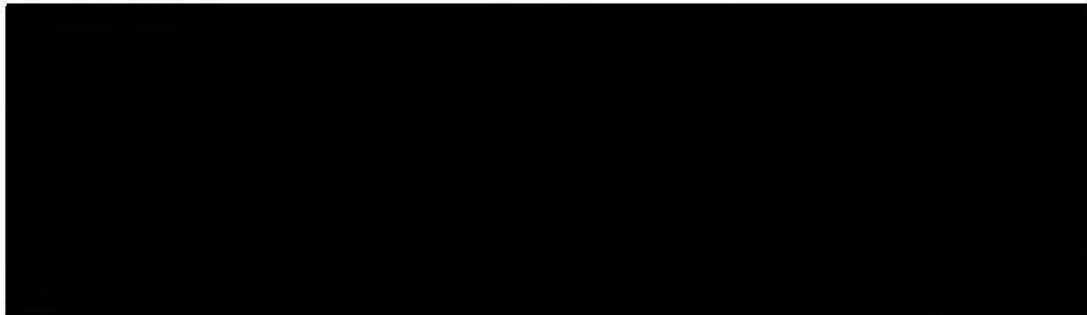
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May 16, 1994

Reverend Lawrence Mullins



Dear Larry,



By now, you have received a letter from [redacted] informing you about handing over a number of files. Since the lawyer had given indication that he already knew of certain situations, including yours, I don't think there is any cause for anxious concern, but it would be helpful for us to be able to contact anyone involved before the lawyer does. The names have been deleted for the present, but we don't know if that will stand up. The new situation certainly makes more problematical the possibility of continuing ministry here.

It is distressing to me that the Judge has made this ruling, but we had no choice but to comply. What the lawyer will do with those files is anyone's guess, but judging from his past record, I do not expect anything good. How he will make use of those is still not known, but it seems as if his goal is to prove that the diocese did not respond to allegations of sexual abuse in the assignment of priests. How he intends to do this, I have no idea. I can just say that the relationship between the lawyer and the diocese is rather strained.

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May 11, 1994

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Lawrence Mullins

[REDACTED]

Dear Larry:

In a lawsuit brought by a plaintiff against another priest and the diocese, a court order has been entered requiring the diocese to produce any documents concerning any clergy which contain allegations, admissions or even inquiries about the sexual abuse of children.

Since, as you know, there have been such allegations, pertinent documents from your file had to be turned over. In this initial stage, our attorney was able to obtain from the judge a ruling that the names could be deleted of all persons involved: priests, children and those coming forward with such allegations or inquiries.

Bishop Imesch did alert the Presbyteral Council to this possibility, so you may already be aware of it. However, we wanted to be sure that you are aware of this. There is no need for you to take any action at this time, but you may want to consult with Mr. James Byrne, our diocesan attorney, or another attorney about this.

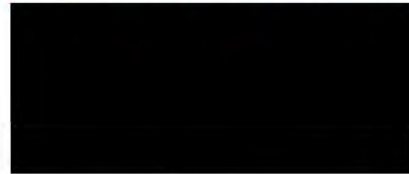
With cordial personal regards and with a plea and a promise of continued mutual prayers always, I remain

Sincerely yours in the Sacred Heart,

Most Reverend Roger L. Kaffer
Auxiliary Bishop of Joliet
Vicar General

RLK: [REDACTED]

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Sept. 10, 1995

Dear Bishop,

You may remember me from years ago, [redacted]

Presently I am seeking further healing and growth at St. X. Much of my pain stems from a period of sexual molestations that occurred at St. Charles Borromeo High School Seminary and at the Cathedral Rectory. The first incident took place in the spring semester of 1979, initiated by Reverend Frederick Lenczycki under the guise of psychological research he was conducting for a graduate student friend. During our sessions, he would perform various types of massage to my naked body and conclude by manipulating my penis until I reached orgasm. Afterward he had me write down my thoughts and feelings. Several more incidents followed through the summer and the beginning of the fall semester. I was saddened to discover in 1995 that he is still listed in active ministry [redacted] in St. Louis.

In the fall of 1979, Reverend Lawrence Mullins sexually abused me during the sacrament of reconciliation and a second time in his room at the Cathedral rectory. These two incidents were extremely painful because during the first one I was trying to extricate myself from the secrecy trap Father Lenczycki had entangled me. The second incident took place at a moment of incredible vulnerability. [redacted]

[redacted] To my horror, Father Mullins sought to seduce me once in his room. Amazingly, I was able to stop my tears and fight him off. I demanded he take me back to the seminary. This ended my encounters with either of them, [redacted]

[redacted] I am finding it possible to let go and trust you have or will do what is necessary for these priests and to protect others. I trust you will maintain my confidence in regard to these sensitive areas of my past. If you wish to contact me, my address is above.

Sincerely Yours



SEP 14 1995

*I called DOE on Sept 15th & spoke
w/ him. On the 18th I spoke to
D. who will contact DOE*

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Fr. Kapper
[REDACTED]

~~At one time and maybe still, you were associated with the Catholic Church, in an official capacity. Under that condition, it is important to converse with you now.~~

An episode in 1979 has been consuming my thoughts more and more. I thought I did the right thing back then, however years later I found the action taken was in vain.

In 1979 I went to a priest for confession and advice on; [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] The priest artfully and skillfully led me on a pincer to find out if I was gay or not. When I finally got the ^{name} ~~name~~ to admit to myself that he was seducing me, I ran.

I told a priest and thought it was over.

The second priest ~~to~~ was later caught doing something with second grade boys.

In about 1993 some stuff came out in the paper about a local priest. A young man [REDACTED] told about the priest at his parish. That priest was the same priest that hit up on me; he was showing his

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hand down the little boys pants in gym class at the same proximity of time he hit up on me.

The priest was at Saint Rays and was Larry Mullins. The priest I confided in was Fred Synsicki.

If "Moon" Mullins is still an active priest please look into any concerns or complaints.



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MEMORANDUM

November 17, 1998

TO: Bishop Joseph L. Imesch
Bishop Roger L. Kaffer
Mr. James Byrne

FROM: Sister Judith A. Davies, OSF

RE: Meeting of November 14, 1998

When I met with [REDACTED] on Saturday, November 14 at the Pastoral Center, he stated that he didn't want to get the priest "in trouble". After he told me Father X's name, he said he didn't "want to crucify" him, but that he was concerned [REDACTED]. Then, he began relating things he remembered, though not in chronological order. I have attempted to order the events.

[REDACTED]

When [REDACTED] was about 15 or 16, he and a friend got into Mr. [REDACTED] liquor. [REDACTED] who did not have a license, drove his friend home,

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Later on he was hired to work at the rectory, where on occasion he would stay overnight.

Father X was against [REDACTED] girlfriend. Eventually [REDACTED] and the girl broke up. Both sets of parents and Father X met afterwards. [REDACTED] thought it was strange that Father X was present for the meeting.

When [REDACTED] was 16, his older brother had a graduation party. [REDACTED] found [REDACTED] crying. When he asked him what was wrong he wouldn't say. [REDACTED] said that he "couldn't get through to him" afterwards.

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On the senior retreat given by Father X, something happened. The Sunday that the kids got back from the retreat, Father X was upset, so upset that he couldn't finish the Mass.

Father X was close to the family. He did funerals for several family members. Through the intervention of Father X, [REDACTED] was admitted to [REDACTED]. On parents day, Father X came along and went out to dinner with the family and [REDACTED]. Afterwards, Father X went somewhere with [REDACTED] and they didn't return until 3:00 a.m.

[REDACTED] After that he went on trips and vacations with Father X. When Father X was transferred to another parish, [REDACTED] would visit him, then call to say that he was going to stay overnight. [REDACTED] felt bothered by something but could not identify what was wrong. He said that when he, himself was a teen, priests would take kids on trips and overnights.

When Father X was removed from ministry, [REDACTED] found a letter from Father X to [REDACTED] and told [REDACTED] that 'it was not right.' When she asked [REDACTED] about the letter, he replied that 'if anybody touched him, he would punch them.'

[REDACTED] said that when Father X was in St. Louis, [REDACTED] went to visit him. (He thought this was in 1995.) Contact with Father X basically stopped after that. There were just a few phone calls and letters.

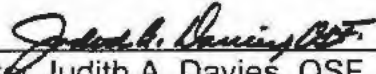
[REDACTED] began recalling the time that Father X had spent with the family. He said that his wife had always encouraged his sons. [REDACTED]

A couple of weeks ago, Mr. Doe talked to his older son who is also concerned [REDACTED]. Father X came into the conversation. The older son said that Father X had tried something with him when they had gone on a trip - that Father X rubbed up against him. He told Father X to get away but did not tell [REDACTED] about the instance because he didn't know how to talk about what had happened.

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I told [REDACTED] that the Review Committee would be meeting toward the beginning of December. Following that, someone would be in touch with him.



Sister Judith A. Davies, OSF
Chancellor

JD

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
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COUNTY OF WILL)

SS.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWELFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS

[REDACTED])
JOHN DOE 1, JOHN DOE 2 and)
JOHN DOE 3,)

Plaintiffs,)

vs.)

BISHOP JOSEPH L. IMESCH,)
as Trustee for the Diocese of Joliet Trust)
and REVEREND LAWRENCE MULLINS,)

Defendants.)

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No.

JURY DEMAND

COMPLAINT AT LAW

NOW COMES Plaintiffs, [REDACTED] JOHN DOE 1,
JOHN DOE 2 and JOHN DOE 3, by and through their attorney, [REDACTED] and as
and for their Complaint against the above-named Defendants, states as follows:

PARTIES

1. Plaintiff, [REDACTED] and a resident of the State of Illinois. Plaintiff was a minor at the time of all sexual abuse alleged herein.
2. Plaintiff, [REDACTED] and a resident of the State of Wisconsin. Plaintiff was a minor at the time of all sexual abuse alleged herein.
3. Plaintiff, JOHN DOE 1, is an adult man whose true identify has been provided to Defendant's by separate cover letter. Plaintiff JOHN DOE 1 was a minor at the time of the sexual abuse alleged herein.
4. Plaintiff, JOHN DOE 2, is an adult man whose true identify has been provided to Defendant's by separate cover letter. Plaintiff JOHN DOE 2 was a minor at the time of the sexual

Initial case management set for

1-30-03 at: 9:00 am

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14. While employed at St. Raymond's Cathedral, Defendant, **REVEREND**

LAWRENCE MULLINS, systematically sexually molested children entrusted to his care.

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BACKGROUND FACTS
APPLICABLE TO PLAINTIFF, [REDACTED]

15. Plaintiff, [REDACTED] was raised in a devout Roman Catholic home, was baptized, confirmed and regularly attended mass and received the sacraments through the Roman Catholic Church. Plaintiff, [REDACTED] came into direct contact with Defendant, **REVEREND LAWRENCE MULLINS**, through the latter's status and employment as parish priest at St. Raymond's Cathedral. The Plaintiff, [REDACTED] developed admiration, trust, reverence and respect for Roman Catholic priests in general, and Defendant, **REVEREND LAWRENCE MULLINS**, in particular. Defendant, **REVEREND LAWRENCE MULLINS**, occupied a position in Plaintiff's life of influence and persuasion as a parish priest, religious counselor, altar boy supervisor and authority figure.

16. Plaintiff, [REDACTED] activities centered around his family and his commitment to his religion and his church including altar boy and other youth group involvement.

17. During the relevant times set out herein, Defendant, **REVEREND LAWRENCE MULLINS**, pursuant to his employment duties, provided counseling and spiritual instruction to the Plaintiff at St. Raymond's Cathedral and elsewhere.

18. During the years 1978/1979, in the course of spiritual counseling and supervision, Defendant, **REVEREND LAWRENCE MULLINS**, sexually abused, molested and exploited Plaintiff, [REDACTED] by engaging in illegal sexual contact with him when Plaintiff, [REDACTED] was under eighteen (18) years old.

19. As a result of Plaintiff's age and vulnerability as a minor, together with Defendant, **REVEREND LAWRENCE MULLINS'** position as a priest and authority figure in the Roman Catholic Church, Defendant was able to have control and influence over Plaintiff, [REDACTED]

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WHEREFORE, Plaintiff, demands judgment against Defendant, **BISHOP JOSEPH L. IMESCH**, as Trustee for the Diocese of Joliet Trust, in an amount in excess of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00) for compensatory damages.

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BACKGROUND FACTS
APPLICABLE TO PLAINTIFF, [REDACTED]

47. Plaintiff, [REDACTED] was raised in a devout Roman Catholic home, was baptized, confirmed and regularly attended mass and received the sacraments through the Roman Catholic Church. Plaintiff, [REDACTED] came into direct contact with Defendant, **REVEREND LAWRENCE MULLINS**, through the latter's status and employment as parish priest at St. Raymond's Cathedral. The Plaintiff, [REDACTED] developed admiration, trust, reverence and respect for Roman Catholic priests in general, and Defendant, **REVEREND LAWRENCE MULLINS**, in particular. Defendant, **REVEREND LAWRENCE MULLINS**, occupied a position in Plaintiff's life of influence and persuasion as a parish priest, religious counselor, altar boy supervisor and authority figure.

48. Plaintiff, [REDACTED] activities centered around his family and his commitment to his religion and his church including altar boy and other youth group involvement.

49. During the relevant times set out herein, Defendant, **REVEREND LAWRENCE MULLINS**, pursuant to his employment duties, provided counseling and spiritual instruction to the Plaintiff at St. Raymond's Cathedral and elsewhere.

50. During the year 1978, in the course of spiritual counseling and supervision, Defendant, **REVEREND LAWRENCE MULLINS**, sexually abused, molested and exploited Plaintiff, [REDACTED] by engaging in illegal sexual contact with him when Plaintiff, [REDACTED] was under eighteen (18) years old.

51. As a result of Plaintiff's age and vulnerability as a minor, together with Defendant, **REVEREND LAWRENCE MULLINS**' position as a priest and authority figure in the Roman

Dollars (\$15,000.00) for compensatory damages.

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BACKGROUND FACTS
APPLICABLE TO PLAINTIFF, JOHN DOE 1

79. Plaintiff, **JOHN DOE 1**, was raised in a devout Roman Catholic home, was baptized, confirmed and regularly attended mass and received the sacraments through the Roman Catholic Church. Plaintiff, **JOHN DOE 1**, came into direct contact with Defendant, **REVEREND LAWRENCE MULLINS**, through the latter's status and employment as parish priest at St. Raymond's Cathedral. The Plaintiff, **JOHN DOE 1**, developed admiration, trust, reverence and respect for Roman Catholic priests in general, and Defendant, **REVEREND LAWRENCE MULLINS**, in particular. Defendant, **REVEREND LAWRENCE MULLINS**, occupied a position in Plaintiff's life of influence and persuasion as a parish priest, religious counselor, altar boy supervisor and authority figure.

80. Plaintiff, **JOHN DOE 1's**, activities centered around his family and his commitment to his religion and his church including altar boy and other youth group involvement.

81. During the relevant times set out herein, Defendant, **REVEREND LAWRENCE MULLINS**, pursuant to his employment duties, provided counseling and spiritual instruction to the Plaintiff at St. Raymond's Cathedral and elsewhere.

82. During the year 1978, in the course of spiritual counseling and supervision, Defendant, **REVEREND LAWRENCE MULLINS**, sexually abused, molested and exploited Plaintiff, **JOHN DOE 1**, by engaging in illegal sexual contact with him when Plaintiff, **JOHN DOE 1**, was under eighteen (18) years old.

83. As a result of Plaintiff's age and vulnerability as a minor, together with Defendant, **REVEREND LAWRENCE MULLINS'** position as a priest and authority figure in the Roman Catholic Church, Defendant was able to have control and influence over Plaintiff, **JOHN DOE 1**. By his words and actions Defendant, **REVEREND LAWRENCE MULLINS**, represented to

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BACKGROUND FACTS
APPLICABLE TO PLAINTIFF, JOHN DOE 2

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111. Plaintiff, **JOHN DOE 2**, was raised in a devout Roman Catholic home, was baptized, confirmed and regularly attended mass and received the sacraments through the Roman Catholic Church. Plaintiff, **JOHN DOE 2**, came into direct contact with Defendant, **REVEREND LAWRENCE MULLINS**, through the latter's status and employment as parish priest at St. Raymond's Cathedral. The Plaintiff, **JOHN DOE 2**, developed admiration, trust, reverence and respect for Roman Catholic priests in general, and Defendant, **REVEREND LAWRENCE MULLINS**, in particular. Defendant, **REVEREND LAWRENCE MULLINS**, occupied a position in Plaintiff's life of influence and persuasion as a parish priest, religious counselor, altar boy supervisor and authority figure.

112. Plaintiff, **JOHN DOE 2's**, activities centered around his family and his commitment to his religion and his church including altar boy and other youth group involvement.

113. During the relevant times set out herein, Defendant, **REVEREND LAWRENCE MULLINS**, pursuant to his employment duties, provided counseling and spiritual instruction to the Plaintiff at St. Raymond's Cathedral and elsewhere.

114. During the year 1980, in the course of spiritual counseling and supervision, Defendant, **REVEREND LAWRENCE MULLINS**, sexually abused, molested and exploited Plaintiff, **JOHN DOE 2**, by engaging in illegal sexual contact with him when Plaintiff, **JOHN DOE 2**, was under eighteen (18) years old.

115. As a result of Plaintiff's age and vulnerability as a minor, together with Defendant, **REVEREND LAWRENCE MULLINS'** position as a priest and authority figure in the Roman Catholic Church, Defendant was able to have control and influence over Plaintiff, **JOHN DOE 2**. By his words and actions Defendant, **REVEREND LAWRENCE MULLINS**, represented to Plaintiff, **JOHN DOE 2**, that the object of his relationship with Plaintiff, **JOHN DOE 2**, was to

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Church. Plaintiff, **JOHN DOE 3**, came into direct contact with Defendant, **REVEREND LAWRENCE MULLINS**, through the latter's status and employment as parish priest at St. Raymond's Cathedral. The Plaintiff, **JOHN DOE 3**, developed admiration, trust, reverence and respect for Roman Catholic priests in general, and Defendant, **REVEREND LAWRENCE MULLINS**, in particular. Defendant, **REVEREND LAWRENCE MULLINS**, occupied a position in Plaintiff's life of influence and persuasion as a parish priest, religious counselor, altar boy supervisor and authority figure.

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144. Plaintiff, **JOHN DOE 3's**, activities centered around his family and his commitment to his religion and his church including altar boy and other youth group involvement.

145. During the relevant times set out herein, Defendant, **REVEREND LAWRENCE MULLINS**, pursuant to his employment duties, provided counseling and spiritual instruction to the Plaintiff at St. Raymond's Cathedral and elsewhere.

146. During the year 1980, in the course of spiritual counseling and supervision, Defendant, **REVEREND LAWRENCE MULLINS**, sexually abused, molested and exploited Plaintiff, **JOHN DOE 3**, by engaging in illegal sexual contact with him when Plaintiff, **JOHN DOE 3**, was under eighteen (18) years old.

147. As a result of Plaintiff's age and vulnerability as a minor, together with Defendant, **REVEREND LAWRENCE MULLINS'** position as a priest and authority figure in the Roman Catholic Church, Defendant was able to have control and influence over Plaintiff, **JOHN DOE 3**. By his words and actions Defendant, **REVEREND LAWRENCE MULLINS**, represented to Plaintiff, **JOHN DOE 3**, that the object of his relationship with Plaintiff, **JOHN DOE 3**, was to provide counseling, comfort and advice. This representation was untrue and was intended by Defendant, **REVEREND LAWRENCE MULLINS**, to deceive Plaintiff, **JOHN DOE 3**, to gain Plaintiff, **JOHN DOE 3's**, trust and confidence and to obtain control over him. Plaintiff, **JOHN**

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**STATEMENT FROM THE DIOCESE OF JOLIET
CONCERNING CIVIL ACTION FILED TODAY**

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We understand that the Diocese of Joliet has been named in a complaint filed in Will County court today. The complaint involves allegations of sexual misconduct with minors more than 20 years ago by Rev. Lawrence Mullins, who has not served in any ministry since 1993.

The allegations in the complaint, filed on behalf of five adults who were minors at the time of the alleged incidents, involve sexual abuse reported to have occurred between 1978 and 1980 when Father Mullins was an associate pastor at the Cathedral of St. Raymond.

Allegations of sexual misconduct with a minor against Father Mullins were first reported to Bishop Imesch and diocesan leadership in November of 1986. Those allegations related to incidents alleged to have occurred at St. Raymond during the late 1970's and 1980. Bishop Imesch was installed as Bishop of the Diocese of Joliet on August 28, 1979.

The allegations were handled consistent with the diocesan procedures in place at the time. As a result, Father Mullins received professional evaluation and therapy, after which he was permitted to remain in ministry based on the advice of professionals.

Later, in March of 1993, another allegation of sexual misconduct with a minor involving Father Mullins was reported to the Diocese of Joliet. That allegation, which relates to an incident reported to have occurred prior to 1983, was processed under the diocese's formal set of policies on sexual misconduct with minors that were adopted in 1990. Father Mullins was placed on administrative leave and accepted professional evaluation and therapy. He has never returned to any ministry.

There are no Diocese of Joliet priests currently serving in any ministry against whom there is even a single, substantiated allegation of sexual misconduct. Consistent with our policies and with the U.S. Bishops' *Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People*, no priest against whom such an allegation has been substantiated is permitted to function as a priest.

It is painful for all those affected by sexual misconduct with minors whenever allegations are brought to light. The Diocese of Joliet understands that civil action is in some instances part of the healing process for victims and their families, and we respect the rights of individuals to pursue their goals through the legal system.

The Diocese of Joliet takes the issue of sexual misconduct with minors very seriously. We are committed to doing everything in our power to ensure the safety of children and young people. We encourage all victims of child sexual abuse to come forward to civil authorities and to their Church, and we continue to pray for their healing and peace.

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WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS

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[REDACTED]

Plaintiff,

v.

LAWRENCE MULLINS, ROMAN
CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF JOLIET,
DIOCESE OF JOLIET TRUST, and
JOSEPH L. IMESCH, not Individually
but as Bishop and Trustee of the DIOCESE
OF JOLIET TRUST,

Defendants.

NO. 04 L 400

COMPLAINT AT LAW

Now comes Plaintiff, [REDACTED] by his
attorneys, [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] and
complaining of the defendants, LAWRENCE MULLINS, ROMAN CATHOLIC
DIOCESE OF JOLIET, DIOCESE OF JOLIET TRUST (hereinafter, collectively,
Diocese), and JOSEPH L. IMESCH, not Individually but as Bishop and Trustee of the
DIOCESE OF JOLIET TRUST, states and alleges as follows:

COMMON ALLEGATIONS

1. At all times relevant herein defendant Imesch and/or a predecessor in
office (hereinafter, Bishop) was Bishop of the Diocese of Joliet and Trustee of the
Diocese of Joliet Trust. Bishop is and was titular and factual chief executive in charge of

initial case management set for

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and ultimate decision maker in respect of staffing and operations of Roman Catholic parochial schools operated within the Diocese.

2. The events and occurrences alleged in this Complaint occurred during the approximate period 1978 through 1981, commencing prior to the appointment of Joseph Imesch as Bishop of Joliet. Imesch is named as defendant not individually, but rather as representative of defendant ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF JOLIET and DIOCESE OF JOLIET TRUST and as successor in interest to the bishop holding office during the periods herein alleged.

3. At all times relevant herein defendant DIOCESE operated the cathedral parish, St. Raymond Nonnatus in Joliet, including an elementary school attendant thereto. The cathedral was staffed by parish priests incardinated in the Diocese, and the school principally by lay teachers (although some "hanger-on" Franciscan nuns may still have been adjunctive participants). Defendant Mullins, an ordained priest incardinated in the Diocese of Joliet, was assigned to the St. Raymond Parish as assistant pastor. Mullins participated in spiritual education of students at St. Raymond's elementary school and was involved in the training and supervision of the altar boy cohort.

4. Mullins' assignment brought him into close contact with parish school children who he was permitted and encouraged to instruct and counsel in religious, moral and ethical principles. Mullins, and all parish priests, were held out by Diocese as persons upon whose advice and direction the children were instructed they could and should rely. Mullins' further ingratiated himself with the students at St. Raymond's generally, and with the altar boys particularly, joining them in recreational and social activities including games and rough-housing and encouraging selected altar boys to join him for

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private extra-curricular meetings in Mullins' rooms in the rectory and in various locations around the parish grounds.

5. [REDACTED] and, in [REDACTED] 5th grade student at the St. Raymond's elementary school. Plaintiff was also an altar boy which, at St. Raymond's, represented an elite group of servers. As the cathedral parish, St. Raymond's was the Bishop's parish. Certain sacerdotal functions, e.g., the ordination of priests, could only be performed by a Bishop and, hence, were performed only at St. Raymond's in the Diocese of Joliet (comprising a territory of all or part of some 7 Illinois counties). St. Raymond's altar boys were expected to maintain high (for pre-teen boys) standards of deportment, maintain consistent good grades (because altar boy participation would involve loss of class time), and practice before and/or after school so their performance at mass was of "drill-team" precision. When sacramental ceremonies involving an appearance of the Bishop were scheduled, the altar boy cohort would frequently be called *en masse* from classes for training rehearsals in the cathedral. Additional individualized training, instruction and rehearsal were required for elite altar boys selected for participation in portions of rituals involving public sacerdotal interaction with the Bishop, priests and other ordained participants.

6. Commencing in 1978 and continuing through approximately 1980, defendant Mullins sexually abused plaintiff by engaging plaintiff in lewd fondling, masturbation and fellatio, which events occurred in the school, the sacristy of the Church, and Mullins' private quarters in the St. Raymond's rectory.

7. By unconscious psychological mechanisms and use of alcohol and drugs (which use/abuse began in plaintiff's pre-teen years), Plaintiff repressed and secreted

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From: JOHN DOE
Sent: Monday, March 06, 2006 4:31 PM
[REDACTED]
Subject: Fwd: Lawrence Mullins

JOHN DOE

-----Original Message-----

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wed, 22 Feb 2006 10:41:54 PM Eastern Standard Time
Subject: Re: Lawrence Mullins

i would still like to no where he is located! he is an evil man, and the bishop covered his ass for years. try to give me his location, or there will many more legal complaints! And where is the bishop immesh located?

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From: JOHN DOE
Sent: Friday, March 10, 2006 4:20 PM
Subject: Fwd: How to reach Lawrence Mullins

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-----Original Message-----
From: JOHN DOE
Sent: Thu, 09 Mar 2006 17:09:19 -0500
Subject: Fwd: How to reach Lawrence Mullins

JOHN DOE

-----Original Message-----
From: JOHN DOE
Sent: Wed, 8 Mar 2006 8:39:27 PM Eastern Standard Time
Subject: How to reach Lawrence Mullins

I would like more information on how to reach the ex-priest, of whom the bishop covered up about for years! There will be many more legal problems, for you and the diocese, than you already have, if i don't get the information. My original email was supposed to be returned by the bishop anyway!

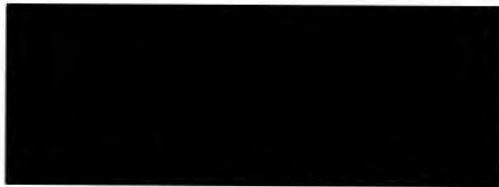
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March 30, 2006



Dear [REDACTED]

I received the letter you sent me recently and I would like to respond to some of your concerns. I hope that this letter will be received in the spirit in which it is being written. The letter read in your parish over the weekend of February 5th was written from my heart. I wrote it because I wanted to tell the people of the diocese how I felt about what was being reported in the media. I believed that I owed it to parishioners to inform them how things were done in the past and why they were done as they were. I did not mean to avoid responsibility for the decisions I made [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] I acted on the information given to me, but I certainly accept responsibility for any decisions.

I regret that I cannot comment on the situation with Father Mullins because there is a lawsuit against him and the diocese, I am not permitted to make any statements.

Newspapers give the impression that known child abusers were transferred from parish to parish. That simply did not happen. While some priests who had been guilty of abuse and had undergone therapy were assigned to parish ministry, I think there were only perhaps two instances when further abuse occurred. I am not saying that to minimize the damage that was done, but simply to state that there was not wholesale transferring of abusive priests to other parishes.

I am aware of the effects sexual abuse has on a person's life, and his/her family and friends, as well as on the parish community and the entire Church. I believe that important steps have been taken within the past few years to insure that cases are handled in the best possible way. Since 1990, there has been a written policy with regard to sexual abuse of minors.

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The diocese has a Review Committee, made up of highly qualified individuals who processes all allegations. The States' Attorney's office is notified of any allegation and there is compliance with all requirements of the Department of Children and Family Services. The accused priest is placed on administrative leave until the matter can be resolved. Priests who have abused children may not remain in ministry no matter what type of therapy they may have received.

I am committed to help protecting children and young people from abuse. That is why the diocese has safeguards in place to insure the safety of children and youth in our parishes and in our schools. That is why there are requirements for clergy, employees and volunteers to fulfill prior to their working with children, including both background checks and educational programs. The diocese has also implemented education programs for children and youth regarding sexual abuse.

I do not know if I have addressed all of your concerns, but I would certainly be willing to discuss those with you personally, if you wish.

Sincerely in Christ,

Most Reverend Joseph L. Imesch
Bishop of Joliet

cc-Reverend William O'Shea
St. Margaret Mary Parish Council

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February 6, 2006

Joseph L. Imesch
Bishop of Joliet
Diocese of Joliet
Office of the Bishop
425 Summit St.
Joliet, IL 60435

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Dear Bishop Imesch:

As a practicing Roman Catholic, I have been a member of the Diocese of Joliet since [REDACTED] June 1976. [REDACTED]

Throughout the past thirty years, our family has been active in a number of parishes throughout the Diocese. All [REDACTED] of our children received their sacraments of baptism through confirmation in the Diocese; [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] My wife, [REDACTED] and I have participated in and lead numerous activities and enjoyed many parts of our religious experiences throughout this period of time.

The past fifteen years, however, have been troubling to me with respect to your actions and inactions regarding the immoral behavior of certain priests. I still remember vividly the day in the early 1990's when it was announced that Father Larry Mullins took an unexplained "leave of absence" from St. Margaret Mary. It was one week after one of the priests at Ss. Peter and Paul Parish in Naperville was identified as having been involved in immoral behavior. The shock of the news left the congregation speechless.

To our dismay, essentially nothing was spoken at the time as to the reasons for Fr. Mullins' sudden departure. While uncertain, it was presumed by many within the parish that he too had participated in immoral behavior. The truth was never spoken, until of course recently, when your office was essentially forced to put forth the information more than ten years later.

As responsible parents of [REDACTED] children, all of which were active in our church community, we faced the difficult task of determining how to handle this matter. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] To our fortune, even though one of our sons had worked closely with Fr. Mullins, none of our children had been abused by him, a fact that I am grateful for to this very day.

The point, however, is the disservice you and your office did to our faith community by hiding the ongoings of these priests for the past years. Other parents, whose children

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were molested, have not been as fortunate as we have been. The thought of the immoral actions of the priests is disgusting.

As the leader of the Diocese Joliet faith community, you have failed us miserably. The combination of your actions and inactions has been deplorable. It is an embarrassment to our local community, the place in which we live, and our faith community, the place in which we worship.

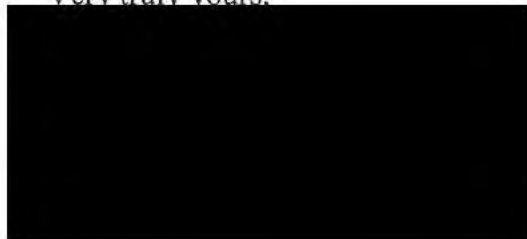
Your token "olive branch" – telling the public you regret some of the decisions you made, you relied on the professionals who were not aware of the severity of the physiological issue, and then to say you used the best judgment you had is a feeble way of avoiding the truth – you failed. The blame is to be placed on the person who made the decisions not to talk to the police; the person who failed to tell the congregation of the problems that existed; the person who reassigned the priests, so that their past indiscretions would be hidden again. Your letter did little to deal with that truth, and combining the letter with a mass filled with "healing" is an extremely poor way of hiding from the truth.

Yes, you are correct. Periodically we do look back and conclude that a decision we made at a past time was not the right decision; we all know hindsight is 20 – 20. Most of us, though, pay a price personally for having made such a bad decision. Most of us cannot hide behind the robes of the church and portray an arrogance that indicates we are above the law. Most of us learn from our mistakes, become a better person and a more effective leader.

You, Bishop Imesch have apparently learned very little. Your continued failure to accept blame for having bad judgment and your lack of concern toward protecting the parish family from the immoral behaviors of certain priests are not traits of an effective leader.

At this point, I would ask you resign effective immediately from your position as Bishop of the Diocese of Joliet. You have demonstrated a severe lack of judgment and are no longer respected by many within our faith community. Please step down now, so that the true healing process that is essential can begin.

Very truly yours,



Enclosure

Cc: Fr. W. O'Shea
St. Margaret Mary Pastoral Council

FR. MULLINS SCAN FROM THE D

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Mr. [REDACTED] - cell [REDACTED]

Mr. [REDACTED] called the crisis line wanting to talk to someone about his son. [REDACTED] Reportedly, [REDACTED] suspects that his son, [REDACTED] was abused by Fr. Larry Mullens when he worked in the rectory then, at IC, in Elmhurst, (this may not be correct parish). Supposedly, [REDACTED] came to speak with Bishop Imesch before 2002. He was very intense when telling this account, labile in emotions. [REDACTED]

I listened to [REDACTED] for 15 minutes allowing him to explain and vent. He accused Bishop Imesch of lying to him when he first asked him in 2002 if Fr. Mullens had been removed or accused. He said Bishop Imesch avoided answering. He stated that if he had known that Fr. Mullens had been accused, he would have pursued getting more help for his son, [REDACTED] who essentially has denied anything happening with Fr. Mullen and himself. He did, however, have a relationship with him for three years. The dad, [REDACTED] stated that they were friends.

[REDACTED] I also indicated that there is not much we can do unless his son comes forth with an accusation about Fr. Mullens, but that if he does, we can then begin a process to try and assist them.

May 18, 2009 - [REDACTED] called to update this writer about his son. [REDACTED]

May 19, 2009 - This writer called Sr. Judith Davies at the Chancery to inform her of the conversations with [REDACTED] and the potential allegation regarding Fr. Larry Mullins.

June 4, 2009 - Met with [REDACTED] and [REDACTED], privately at [REDACTED] for an hour and a half. Met with them individually and together as father and son. [REDACTED] privately told me his experiences with Fr. Mullen. He reportedly gave [REDACTED] between the ages of 15 and 17 years of age, access to the liquor, beer whenever he was there. He gave him his car keys, gifts, cash. He reported that Fr. Mullens displayed very jealous feelings of [REDACTED] girlfriend. He touched his chest and gave [REDACTED] creepy feelings sometimes. He worked at the rectory 5 days a week. He was very close to Fr. Larry. However, when Fr. Mullens got in trouble in Naperville, at St. Margaret Mary, [REDACTED] came to see him several times and then found out he was removed from ministry. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] I encouraged him to write the chronology of events and send them to me and I will present them to the chancery. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] denies any genital contact with the priest, however giving an under aged child alcohol was very inappropriate [REDACTED]

Submitted respectfully, [REDACTED]

June 13, 2009

I received an email from [REDACTED] this week as a test, I replied back so to confirm the email address and after one week he has not followed up with the statement about Fr. Mullens that I requested. I explained to him when I met with he and his father together that this was his issue and he needed to take responsibility now and leave his father out of this. I also suggested that he ask his older brother if he had any experiences with Fr. Mullens.

SP Judith Davies

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Sunday, June 14, 2009 9:59 PM

Subject: Fr. Lawrence Mullins

My name is [REDACTED]. I am [REDACTED] yrs. old, married [REDACTED]. I attended Immaculate Conception High School in Elmhurst, Illinois from [REDACTED]. My brother [REDACTED] introduced me to Fr. Mullins during my freshman year. [REDACTED] was a junior at the time. Fr. Mullins helped me get a job at the parish rectory. I started working there during my sophomore year. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Fr. Mullins many times asked me to join him for dinner before I started work at the desk. These dinners were usually accompanied by the rectory cook and housekeeper. [REDACTED] Eventually, it seemed like we got to be good friends. At the beginning of my employment there, I was only 15 yrs. old. I thought he was trying to be nice and look out for me. There would be quite many times where he would take me away from the desk, and he would let me drive. I only had my driver's permit at the time, so I thought it was really neat. We made some trips to the Joliet Fire Dept. where he was the fire chaplain, supposedly. There were trips to his mother's house, who lived [REDACTED]. We used to go to a restaurant named Coletti's [REDACTED]. He would always start off with a cocktail or two, and said I could order a couple for myself. Then we would eat dinner. I started drinking alcohol a little earlier, and thought this was great. Here is somebody that's letting me drive a nice car, taking me out for dinner and drinks, and just giving me all of this special attention. During my sophomore year I started dating a girl named [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] She always thought it was weird that I spent so much time with him. I would just tell her that it's part of my job. Father Mullins was always very loving and hugging with many students, boys and girls, and was the same with me. Most of the kids called him padre or "padj". So I didn't think anything was wrong. There were many times though, that he would get a little too touchy with me, and most of these times were in his apartment in the rectory. I would usually just try to avoid these instances by getting up and going to the washroom, and switching seats. He would like to rub my chest, and sometimes my belly, seeming to try and inch his way toward private part. I guess I was still too young and naive to know this was wrong. But, I became to know and become close with his family very well. [REDACTED] He always would have big family parties at the parish center, and would ask me to help him set up for them and attend the parties as well. I did plenty of drinking at these parties, both beer and hard liquor. Sometimes I would end up being drunk and spending the night in his parish apartment. He would usually call my parents telling them it was too late to drive, or whatever excuse he used. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] I can go on and on, but eventually FM became very controlling of me. He started to hear rumors about the sex I was having with [REDACTED] and he would ask me about it. He told me I was too young and I shouldn't be doing that. Then he started saying her and I had a destructive relationship, and eventually arranged a meeting with our parents. He basically broke us up at that time. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] The one time he told me to come to his apartment.....he needed to talk to me. It was in the evening, and he was drunk. He was also irate and even pushed me a couple of times. He asked how I could go behind his back and betray him. Then he would usually not speak to me for a few days or at times he would even leave town for a few days. During my h.s. years, he was very involved in my life, and with my family. He was at our family home many times for dinner. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] He also during this time showered me with gifts, cards, cash, and even a car. We took some overnight road trips, and there was always bars and drinking involved. I do not recall the names, but we used to go quite a bit to a couple of places [REDACTED] in Chicago. There were a couple of places there that wouldn't card me. During this time, there were many episodes of the creepy touchy feely, and the kisses on the cheek, and hugs. And to my knowledge, I do not believe there was any genital fondling or molestation. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] I still kept in touch with FM during this time. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] At this time FM was at St. Margaret Mary Parish in Naperville. I would visit him there a few times a month still, and dinner and drinks were again usually involved. He liked to eat and drink. I don't recall what year his canonical to St. Louis was, but I took an amtrak train there on a weekend to visit him. During the visit he told me he didn't know if he wanted to be a priest anymore and he seemed very down. I stayed the weekend in his hotel, and he bought me a airline ticket to fly home with. I believe it was after this that I started to lose touch with him. There were rumors going around the Elmhurst area that he was gay, and I used to defend him, telling others he was a good person. Eventually there were rumors that he left the priesthood. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] From that time on, I never wanted to speak with Larry Mullins again. In years after that, when the news came out of him molesting and fondling grade school kids at St. Raymond's, I felt even more betrayed. And now I realize that maybe his main goal was to have sex with me. I still get very angry when I think of how the Bishop Imesch lied to my dad when my dad asked him if Larry Mullins was removed from the priesthood, and Bishop told him no. Yet he was, and it is very frustrating to think of how he treated me, but also what he did to those grade school kids. He was way too involved and controlling in my life, especially during my high school years. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] All statements in this letter are true. I am only able to give approximate on some of the specific years.

Sincerely,

[REDACTED]