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(To be returned directly to Most Reverend Archbishop)

1. Full name of assistant Rev. Michael Cody

2. How long has he served in his present assignment? Ca. 4 1/2 years

3. To what phases of the parish ministry have you assigned him? Describe his performance in each case (excellent, good, fair, poor).

a) Census? —

b) CCD? —

c) Religious instruction in school? Yes: as far as I know, does well

d) Convert instruction classes? Yes! his turn in rotation, gets in  
act of religious effort

e) Parish societies? One: America Legion. Not too interested

f) Altar boys? —

g) CYO? — Athletic Program? —

Teen Club? — Scouting? —

h) Other? all the regular pastoral work: 1) duty days, baptisms  
Chr. photos, marriages, funerals, preaching, confessions etc.

4. In what phase of the apostolate is he especially competent? He is a good speaker  
but at times bizzare. He is intelligent but eccentric

5. Is he punctual in the church? Very much so In the school? Yes

6. Does he prepare his sermons? Yes, carefully and effectively

7. How would you describe his preaching ability? (Excellent, good, fair, poor?) He has  
the natural qualities of a good speaker, - voice, emphasis etc.

8. Is he prompt and solicitous in attending the sick? If critical, otherwise acc. to  
his own schedule

9. Does he do anything particularly to encourage religious vocations? I have no inform  
tion on this point.  
Describe \_\_\_\_\_

10. Is he obedient? I believe he tries to be Docile? Extremely sensitive *and, repetitive*

11. Is he sociable? *at times* well-liked? No Are his friends few/many? relatively few *and*

12. Does he get along with people? Some Does he antagonize them? Some people yes,  
particularly those who themselves are inadequate  
The "characters" in the parish annoy him very much.

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13. Does he show a tendency to associate more with lay people than with fellow priests?

*I would say his few close friends are laymen but he has very few close friends, either lay or clerical*

14. Does he make it a practice to extend social calls into late evening hours? no

15. Besides offering daily Mass and reciting his Divine Office, what other spiritual exercises do you observe in your curate? Occasionally attend a public devotion. He reads a great deal.

16. Do you encourage him to make the monthly Day of Recollection? Yes, as all curates  
Does he make any effort to observe this practice? Don't have any evidence

17. Does he have any intellectual pursuits? Yes Describe He is interested in art, in the new theology, in science

18. Does he show any particular gifts, talents, aptitudes? Has unusually good memory; is sharp in insight; some psychological perception  
Describe He is congenial, sociable, well informed

19. Does he have a regular weekly day off? At least one Which day? He is out most of the time when not on duty.

20. Condition of health? (Sound? Chronically ill?) Maybe a slight improvement in his mental health.

21. Is his mental attitude excellent, good, fair or poor toward:  
a) The priesthood? Better c) The pastor? fair

b) Parish work? fair d) The help? He makes quite a few demands on them. he is generally friendly, if they do their work.

22. Do you consider your curate happy in his present assignment? It isn't what he should be doing.

23. In your own words, how would you describe his services to you and to the parish?  
I do think he tries but he has real problems. For example for the last year he has insisted on taking his meals alone up in his room. People easily "bug" him. He is hypercritical of others' shortcomings. Still, he is exemplary in the prompt exact performance of his regular duties... but only when it is specifically appointed for him.

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