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Personal & Confidential

Most Reverend John M. D'Arcy  
Auxiliary Bishop of Boston  
70 Lawrence Street  
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Dear Bishop John:

Thank you for your personal and confidential letter concerning Father Richard Buntel. In response to the contents of the letter, I should indicate to you that I, myself, confronted Father Buntel on the allegations noted in your letter. He denied having any problems in these areas of alcoholism or drugs and that his difficulties at St. Joseph's Parish were of personal relationships with the other members of the Team.

With your permission, however, I shall confront him again with the contents of your letter, and follow through with your suggestions, particularly in light of what you and the Vicars ~~Suffice~~ to be a scandal.

I would appreciate knowing if you have had any personal conversations with Father Buntel or if any of the Vicars have concerning scandal in his present assignment.

With every best wish, I am

Sincerely in Christ,

Most Reverend Thomas V. Daily  
Administrator  
Archdiocese of Boston

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