

Archbishop Thomas Kelly
Archdiocese of Louisville
212 E. College St.
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Dear Archbishop Thomas Kelly:

For over 40 years I have lived with guilt, anger, depression and other personal issues that resulted from being sexually molested by a priest in your Archdiocese: Father Louis Miller.

I attended Holy Spirit school in Louisville from 1955 to 1962. My mother and step father purchased a home on [REDACTED] Ave. solely because it was less than 1 block from Holy Spirit school. I have German Catholics on my [REDACTED]'s side and French Catholics on my [REDACTED]'s side for as many generations as I can trace. While attending Holy Spirit the pastor was Father Vance. After graduating from Holy Spirit in 1962 I attended Trinity High School where I graduated in 1966.

Over all these years I have struggled with why I was singled out by Father Miller as a victim. Father Miller used altar boy training as a way to get me out of class one on one. During my 8th. grade year he called me out of class at the start of the school year to tell me that he had chosen me to be captain of the [REDACTED]. School officials never questioned why Father Miller needed to take me out of class and allowed Father Miller the opportunity to molest me repeatedly over a 2 year period. While I was his favorite victim, I know for a fact that Father Miller molested 4 other boys in my class. During my 8th. grade year at basketball practice I learned that I was not Father Miller's only victim. One of my classmates [REDACTED] Parishioner 4 told his parents about what was going on. The [REDACTED] Parishioner family was related to Bishop Maloney who I suspect was told about Father Miller. Father Miller was abruptly transferred from Holy Spirit.

I am sure you are aware of the situation in the Palm Beach Diocese with J. Keith Symons in 1998, and now Anthony J. O'Connell both resigning as Bishop of Palm Beach Diocese after admitting they both sexually molested boys while in the priesthood. The Anthony J. O'Connell issue has caused me to reflect on my personal torments caused by The Catholic Church. All the repressed feelings of anger, guilt and depression have resurfaced to the point that sleeping and everyday activities are difficult. I am turning to you 1st. before consulting with an attorney for help in being made whole. I am looking to [REDACTED] for mental health counseling and monetary compensation. Please contact me at your earliest convenience to see if this issue can be resolved.

Prayerfully yours,

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