OCTO - FR PRESSIE IS EMONING

ST. ANNE'S CHURCH

≺hA 4C3 \Q08;

218 WEST WALNUT BTREET P. D. 80X 617 Phone 369-3011 L301, California 95340

August 23zd. 1976

Dear Gaorga and Garmon,

May I say first of all that this is a difficult letter for me to write. My pastor, Fr. DeGroot has talked with me and told me about the telephone conversation you had with him on Sunday concerning Nancy. Fr. DeGroot and I have since had a long and honest conversation with each other about what happened between Nancy and I while she was visiting me some weeks ago. He suggested that I write to you a latter of explanation about this matter.

First of all I must say that when I invited Nancy to come and visit with ma in Lodi a few weeks ago it was not with the intention of taking advantage of her or doing anything to herm her while she was in my care. I have come to like Nancy very much and wanted to express my friendship and love for her by having her come stay with me. I also must admit that I feel very affectionate twoards Nancy as I am sure I displayed many times even in your presence.

Now comes the difficult part. Did I touch Nancy in areas which I souldn't have. I have to admit that I did on a few occasions. I guess I became overaffectionate and took advantange of the situation and want a little too far. I guess in weak moments one doean't think of the consequences of their actions. There are times when one becomes selfish and is not aware of how the other person is reacting and I feel this is what happened to me. I became selfish and did not realize the harm that I could possibly doing to Mancy. I guess when those moments had passed I forgot about them not thinking I had done any great harm. I now realize that I must have done a lot of harm and I deeply restet it.

I humbly apologise to both of you and to Mancy and ask you for your forgiveness for any wrong I have done to Mancy. I ask your pardon for the anxiety and worry which you must be experiedcing over this whole matter. I realize that bringing up children in the world today is difficult enough without insidents like this occuring.

Fr. DeGroot has asked me to mention this matter to my Bishop and to ask his advice on wheither I should seek help in discovering wheither or not I may have a psychological problem which I need to attend to and which I may be unaware of. I have already written for an appointment with my Bishop.

I realste the big responsibility I have as a priest and the high ideals which I must uphold but I am also painfully aware of my own weaknesses and how 1 .

unit of a second import,

. .

	200	444-10-40 G.JUMM,	୮୯୦୯୫ ୨୮୨
		-	
•		`	

ì

ST. ANNE'S CHURCH

218 WEST WALNUT STREET P. Q. WOX 517 PHONE 369-3011 LODI, GALIFORNIA 85240

- 2 -

hard it is atimines to keep the ideals of the priesthood in front of me when temptations to satisfy one's own ago present themselves.

In conclusion then, I again apologise for any wrong I have done to Nancy. I reprot that things have turned out this way and I am under great stress at this moment. I think worst of all is the fact that I have ruined what was turning out to be a beautiful friendship. But I have no one to blame except myself.

I realiss what I have done is of a very serious nature and I am really worried as to what your course of action will be as a result. I would appreciate if you would write to me telling us how you feel and stating any course of action that you intend "to take.

I wish all God's blessings on you and your family. I will offer the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass for you very soon and I ask that you may even pray for me occasionaly. Thank you for allowing me into your lives and I will always be gratful to you for having shared the children with me when you did.

Yours respectfully,

Fr. O'Glady

Rev. Oliver O'Grady

1