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August 23, 1979

Reverend Francis Delaney, Pastor Saint Andrew The Apostle Parish 40 Walk Hill Street Forest Hills, MA 02130

Dear Father Frank:

Thanks for your letter of August 17, 1979. While it is true that Father William Francis, Chaplain of the Boston Police Department, reported allegations by a Miss Coveny in Forest Hills on charges of a moral nature against Father John J. Geoghan, Associate Pastor of St. Andrew's, Forest Hills, these charges were quickly proven to be completely unfounded and totally irresponsible. One phone call accomplished that.

To give assurance to Father Geoghan and to give him some consolation in a matter that apparently upset him terribly, I have whitten to ask him to drop by at the Chancery, in accordance with your request, to personally assure him of his good record and his good name and priestly reputation.

I am delighted to know that you went to a good place, viz, God's country to relax a little bit. Take care of yourself.

All the besto

Sincerely in Christ,

Most Reverend Thomas V. Daily, Auxiliary Bishop of Boston Chancellor

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