



Claremont Police Department  
Incident Report

Incident #: 02-313-OF  
Call #: 02-5937

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Date/Time Reported: 04/03/2002 0804  
Report Date/Time: 04/03/2002 0817  
Occurred Between: 06/22/1962 1200-02/20/1964 1200  
Status: Incident Open  
Involves: Sex Crimes, Juveniles  
Reporting Officer: Captain Colby Casey  
Approving Officer: Captain Colby Casey  
Signature: *[Handwritten Signature]*

# OFFENSE(S) A/C RSA SECTION

LOCATION TYPE: Church/Synagogue/Temple Zone: POLICE STATION  
POLICE CT  
CLAREMONT NH 03743

POSSIBLE SEXUAL ASSAULT C 632-A 4  
OCCURRED: 06/22/1962 1200  
SUSPECTED OF USING: Not Applicable  
MODUS OPERANDI: Aslt/Sex-Assault, Aslt/Sex-Fondled Victim  
MODUS OPERANDI: Contact-Known to Victim  
WEAPON/FORCED USED: None  
BIAS AGAINST: No Bias

# PERSON(S) PERSON TYPE SEX RACE AGE SSN PHONE

1	BAHAN, MICHAEL 33 CAPITOL ST CONCORD NH 03301 DOB: NOT AVAIL EMPLOYER: ATTORNEY GENERAL	DISCOVERED CRIME	M	W	00	NOT AVAIL	603-271-3658
2	HATHAWAY, MARC B 14 MAIN ST NEWPORT NH 03773 DOB: NOT AVAIL EMPLOYER: SULLIVAN COUNTY ATTORNEY	REPORTING PARTY	M	W	00	NOT AVAIL	603-863-7950

# SUSPECT(S) SEX RACE AGE SSN PHONE

1	BOULANGER, ALBERT L UNKNOWN MANCHESTER NH	M	W	72	NOT AVAIL	
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BODY: NOT AVAIL. COMPLEXION: NOT AVAIL.  
DOB: 06/30/1929 PLACE OF BIRTH: USA  
LICENSE NUMBER: NOT AVAIL. ETHNICITY: NOT HISPANIC  
[FAMILY/EMPLOYMENT INFORMATION]

MARITAL STATUS: SINGLE  
EMPLOYER/SCHOOL: DIOCESE OF MANCHESTER · 603-669-3100  
153 ASH MAN ST  
MANCHESTER NH  
OCCUPATION: RETIRED

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**OTHER PROPERTIES**

**PROPERTY #**

**STATUS**

TAPE OF 4/3 INTERVIEW W/ [REDACTED]  
QUANTITY: 1  
SERIAL #: NOT AVAIL  
DATE: 04/03/2002

02-238-PR

VALUE: \$0.00

Evidence (Not Nibrs Reportable)

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\*\*\*CONFIDENTIAL VICTIM REPORT\*\*\*  
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VICTIM(S)	SEX	RACE	AGE	SSN	PHONE
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1 [REDACTED]	M	W	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
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INJURIES: None  
ETHNICITY: Not of Hispanic Origin  
RESIDENT STATUS: Non Resident  
VICTIM CONNECTED TO OFFENSE NUMBER(S): 1  
RELATION TO: BOULANGER ALBERT

Acquaintance

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NARRATIVE FOR CAPTAIN COLBY D CASEY

Entered: 04/03/2002 @ 0901  
Modified: 04/17/2002 @ 0829

Entry ID: CDC  
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Possible Sexual Assault

In late March 2002 County Attorney Hathaway provided me with an allegation of sexual assault that may have occurred in Claremont in early 1963 through 1964.

This information had been provided to the County Attorney by the NH Attorney General's Office. The information provided indicated the following:

In 1963 - 1964 at St. Mary's Church in Claremont, Father Albert L. Boulanger may have committed the offense of force sexual assault against the identified victim, [REDACTED]. Information concerning this offense was provided to the NH Attorney General from the Diocese of Manchester in early March.

The NH Attorney General met with representative of the Diocese and was provided with copies of complaints maintained in the files of the Diocese. Investigator Michael Bahan from the NHAG's office contacted and conducted an interview with the reported victim via telephone. The contents of that telephonic interview are attached in a reported completed by Bahan.

County Attorney Hathaway scheduled an interview with Mr. [REDACTED] on Wednesday April 3, 2002 @ 10:00. I will be attending that interview in order to evaluate this case and determine a course for the investigation. It would appear from my initial review of this case that a statute of limitations problem may exist.

Case Open

Investigation to Continue

Copies of material attached.

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SUPPLEMENTAL NARRATIVE FOR CAPTAIN COLBY D CASEY

Entered: 04/03/2002 @ 1359

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Modified: 04/17/2002 @ 0850

Modified ID: CDC

Interview with Victim

On 4-3-2002 at approximately 10:05 hours County Attorney Marc Hathaway and I conducted a recorded preliminary interview with Mr. [REDACTED]. This interview was conducted at the Office of the County Attorney, and the tape has been retained by me and marked as evidence - stored in the Detective Commander's Office.

The interview began with some general discussion about the process and other related questions concerning the statute of limitation.

Upon starting the tape, I asked Mr. [REDACTED] to detail to me the incident(s) in which he was assaulted. Mr. [REDACTED] provided the following chronological account of the assaults:

1) Prior to the Summer of 1963 Mr. [REDACTED] was an Alter Boy for St. Mary's Church in Claremont. Mr. [REDACTED] was raised by very religious parents and resided on [REDACTED]

2) Prior to the summer of 1963 Father Albert Boulanger would often come into the changing room where Mr. [REDACTED] to dress and undress to perform his Alter Boy duties.

Prior to the summer of 1963 Father Boulanger began the "grooming" process normally used in most pedophile cases. He was hugging, kissing, and rubbing his groin against that of Mr. [REDACTED]

4) In early of 1963 Father Boulanger took Mr. [REDACTED] to Mascoma Lake in Enfield, NH. While swimming at the lake Mr. [REDACTED] developed a leg cramp. On the dock Father Boulanger rubbed Mr. [REDACTED] leg and while doing so rubbed Mr. [REDACTED] genitals.

5) In late Summer of 1963 (August) Father Boulanger gave Mr. [REDACTED] a gift. The gift was a model PT-Boat. Mr. [REDACTED] was a model boat building. Father Boulanger also invited Mr. [REDACTED] on a camping trip.

6) The camping trip was originally scheduled for two nights but was cut short. The camping trip occurred on the weekend in August of 1963. The location is thought to be on Lake Francis, at Lake Francis camp ground, in Pittsburgh, NH.

7) In the evening hours of the first night of the camping trip, Father Boulanger asked Mr. [REDACTED] to join him in one sleeping bag. Father Boulanger stated: "Let Merge". Mr. [REDACTED] joined Father Boulanger in the sleeping bag and discovered Father Boulanger was naked. Father Boulanger then rubbed Mr. [REDACTED] genitals as Father Boulanger self-materbated.

8) Mr. [REDACTED] reported that Father Boulanger ejaculated. Following the ejaculation, Father Boulanger cleaned up Mr. [REDACTED] and Mr. [REDACTED] went back into his own sleeping bag.

9) The following day Father Boulanger cooked breakfast, recalled to be eggs, and told Mr. [REDACTED] not to tell anyone about the incident. They fished together for the day and Father Boulanger returned Mr. [REDACTED] to his parents sometime in the evening hours.

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0) That was all of the details Mr. [REDACTED] d concerning Father Boulanger. Mr. [REDACTED] reports no other assaults by Boulanger.

Mr. [REDACTED] then described an incident in 1967 where he was assault by forced fondling by Father Lamonte. This incident occurred when Father Lamonte invited Mr. [REDACTED] an another Alter Boy to the Expo of 1967. Mr. [REDACTED] described that assault as follows:

) They went to the 1967 Exposition in Montreal, Canada. (I believe this is the "World's Fair") which is usually in September. On this trip Mr. [REDACTED] and another boy stayed in a camper rented by Father Lamonte.

) In the evening hours Father Lamonte rubbed the chest and then slid his hand inside Mr. [REDACTED] undergarment. Father Lamonte then fondled Mr. [REDACTED] gentiles. Mr. [REDACTED] reported he thought he was around 15 years of age when this occurred..

Mr. [REDACTED] reported no other incidents of assaults by any members of the Catholic Church.

asked Mr. [REDACTED] if he had reported these crimes to anyone. He told me two people know of these assaults; his wife who he told, and two a friend he told at his 20 year class reunion. Mr. [REDACTED] provided the friends and it can be found on the tape.

The interview was ended by an explanation of the statue of limitation by County Attorney Hathaway. Mr. [REDACTED] made it very clear that he was not "out to get anyone" but hoped his story may help the State of New Hampshire bring these cases to closure.

CA Hathaway and I thanked Mr. [REDACTED] for his time and told him we would keep him updated.

Following the interview CA Hathaway and I discussed the continued investigation of this matter. A decision was made to contact the Attorney representing the Church to confirm Father Boulanger's career track and to confirm when and if he may have left the state.

In addition, the interview confirmed that the felony level offenses occurred outside of the jurisdiction of the Claremont Police Department. CA Hathaway advised he will notify the other jurisdiction as required.

Investigation to continue.

Captain Casey

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Case Activity

Created: 04/03/2002 @ 0804 by Communications Specialist James A Boisclair  
Involvement: Dispatcher Action Taken: Created from Dispatch  
Created from Call #: 02-5937 Call Reason: SEXUAL ASSAULT

Created: 04/03/2002 @ 0823 by Captain Colby D Casey  
Involvement: Detective Supervisor Action Taken: Created Case  
Case Approved and Created

Created: 04/03/2002 @ 0904 by Captain Colby D Casey  
Involvement: Detective Supervisor Action Taken: Created Supplemental Narr  
Intitial Report Done

Created: 04/03/2002 @ 0905 by Captain Colby D Casey  
Involvement: Detective Supervisor Action Taken: Created Supplemental Narr  
4/4/2002 @ 1000 Victim Interview

Created: 04/03/2002 @ 1241 by Captain Colby D Casey  
Involvement: Detective Supervisor Action Taken: Created Supplemental Narr  
Interviewed Victim / Supplement Report

Created: 04/17/2002 @ 0851 by Captain Colby D Casey  
Involvement: Detective Supervisor Action Taken: Created Supplemental Narr  
Working to confirm Suspect's time in or out of State RE: Statute of Lim.

Created: 04/17/2002 @ 0855 by Captain Colby D Casey  
Involvement: Detective Supervisor Action Taken: Submit Outside Department  
Call to AG's Office re: Confirming In/Out of State residency


FILE SUMMARY

<b>Name</b>	Albert L. Boulanger
<b>Date of Birth</b>	06/30/29
<b>Date Ordained</b>	05/19/62
<b>Service</b>	05/26/62 St. Joseph, Salem
	06/22/62 St. Mary, Claremont
	02/20/64 Immaculate Heart of Mary, Concord
	04/08/65 St. Joseph, Berlin
	09/20/67 St. Martin, Somersworth
	06/21/68 St. Joseph, Woodsville
	03/05/69 St. James, Portsmouth
	10/15/69 St. Mary, Manchester
	06/03/70 St. Joseph, Nashua Assistant Director, Diocesan Camps for the Summer
	04/23/71 Suspended
	11/10/71 Our Lady of the Mountains, North Conway Weekend Ministry
	06/01/72 Our Lady of the Mountains, North Conway
	02/14/72 Mary Mother of the Church, Newton
	03/29/74 St. Benedict, Cascade
	04/11/74 Resigned Pastorate
	04/ /74 Sacred Heart, Wilton
	06/13/74 St. Bernard, Keene, weekend ministry
	03/04/75 Sacred Heart, Manchester, weekend ministry
	01/15/76 St. Agnes, Ashland
	10/24/84 St. Matthew, Whitefield
	03/16/87 Sick Leave
	02/06/89 Holy Rosary, Rochester St. Anthony, Sanbornville Sick Leave
	07/01/91 Chaplain, Manchester Area Nursing Homes
10/09/95 Chaplain, Mt. Carmel Home, Manchester & contin. Chaplaincy of area nursing homes	
08/02/00 Retired	
<b>Date and Nature of Complaint</b>	On April 22, 1971, a woman from Nashua called and complained that her son had been sexually abused by Albert Boulanger and the son had had medical treatment. This was reported to Bishop Ernest Primeau who met with Boulanger on April 23, 1971 and he was removed from ministry at that time by letter of April 21, 1971. The complaint alleged was reported to have taken place over a period of time in the sacristy at the



	church after Mass, in the priest's car, his bedroom at the rectory and a cottage.
Response Action Taken	Albert Boulanger resigned as pastor in 1979 and was referred for psychological treatment. He saw Philip R. Sullivan, M.D., a psychiatrist in Boston and John H. Brennan, M.D. who reported to Bishop Primeau that he was making progress and he was ultimately returned to ministry. Subsequently, he was treated for alcoholism and there were additional treatments. He went to the St. Luke's Institute in 1987, where he was discharged on December 22. Upon discharge, he agreed to several post-discharge activities.
Additional Complaints	None

# Memorandum


**To:** File (Albert Boulanger)  
**From:** Detective Peter Favreau; Manchester, NH PD.   
**Date:** 07-29-02  
**Re:** Conway PD

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On 07-29-02, I spoke with members of the Conway Police Department regarding Father Albert Boulanger. I inquired as to whether or not the Conway PD had any history of contacts with Father Boulanger dating back to the early 1970's. I was advised that the Conway Police Department has had no contacts with Boulanger during this or any other time period.

# Memorandum

**To:** File (Albert Boulanger)

**From:** Detective Peter Favreau; Manchester, NH PD 


**Date:** 07-29-02

**Re:** Wilton PD

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On 07-29-02, I spoke with Deputy Chief Green of the Wilton Police Department regarding Father Albert Boulanger. I inquired as to whether or not the Wilton PD had any history of contacts with Father Boulanger dating back to the early 1970's. I was advised that the Wilton Police Department has had no contacts with Boulanger during this or any other time period.

# Memorandum


**To:** File (Albert Boulanger)  
**From:** Detective Peter Favreau; Manchester, NH PD   
**Date:** 07-29-02  
**Re:** Keene PD

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On 07-29-02, I spoke with Detective McLaughlin of the Keene Police Department regarding Father Albert Boulanger. I inquired as to whether or not the Keene PD had any history of contacts with Father Boulanger dating back to the early 1970's. I was advised that the Keene Police Department has had no contacts with Boulanger during this or any other time period.

# Memorandum

**To:** File (Albert Boulanger)

**From:** Detective Peter Favreau; Manchester, NH PD 

**Date:** 07-29-02


**Re:** Whitefield PD

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On 07-29-02, I spoke with Officer White of the Whitefield Police Department regarding Father Albert Boulanger. I inquired as to whether or not the Whitefield PD had any history of contacts with Father Boulanger dating back to the early 1980's. I was advised that the Whitefield Police Department has had no contacts with Boulanger during this or any other time period.

# Memorandum

**To:** File (Albert Boulanger)

**From:** Detective Peter Favreau; Manchester, NH PD 

**Date:** 07-29-02

**Re:** Rochester PD

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On 07-29-02, I spoke with Anne Brido of the Rochester Police Department regarding Father Albert Boulanger. I inquired as to whether or not the Rochester PD had any history of contacts with Father Boulanger dating back to the mid 1980's. I was advised that the Rochester Police Department has had no contacts with Boulanger during this or any other time period.

# Memorandum

**To:** File (Albert Boulanger)

**From:** Detective Peter Favreau; Manchester, NH PD




**Date:** 07-30-02

**Re:** Concord PD

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On 07-30-02, I spoke with Detective Thomas of the Concord Police Department regarding Father Albert Boulanger. I inquired as to whether or not the Concord PD had any history of contacts with Father Boulanger dating back to the mid 1960's. I was advised that the Concord Police Department has had no contacts with Boulanger during this or any other time period.

# Memorandum

**To:** File (Albert Boulanger)  
**From:** Detective Peter Favreau; Manchester, NH PD   
**Date:** 07-30-02  
**Re:** Nashua PD


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On 07-30-02, I spoke with Detective Linnehan of the Nashua Police Department regarding Father Albert Boulanger. I inquired as to whether or not the Nashua PD had any history of contacts with Father Boulanger dating back to the 1960's. I was advised that the Nashua Police Department has had no contacts with Boulanger during this or any other time period.



# Memorandum

**To:** File (Albert Boulanger)

**From:** Detective Peter Favreau; Manchester, NH PD 


**Date:** 07-31-02

**Re:** Portsmouth PD

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On 07-31-02, I received information from Lt. Tucker of the Portsmouth Police Department regarding Father Albert Boulanger. I had inquired as to whether or not the Portsmouth PD had any history of contacts with Father Boulanger dating back to the 1960's. I was advised that the Portsmouth Police Department has had no contacts with Boulanger during this or any other time period.


# Memorandum

**To:** File (Albert Boulanger)  
**From:** Detective Peter Favreau; Manchester, NH PD   
**Date:** 07-31-02  
**Re:** Manchester PD

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On 07-31-02, I checked the records file of the Manchester Police Department regarding contacts with Father Albert Boulanger dating back to the 1960's. I found that the Manchester Police Department had no significant contacts with Boulanger during this or any other time period.








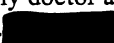

# Memorandum

**To:** File (Albert Boulanger)  
**From:** Detective Peter Favreau; Manchester, NH PD.   
**Date:** 07-31-02  
**Re:** File breakdown

## File Breakdown and Timeline

**Fr. Albert Boulanger**  
 06-30-29 (73)  
 Ordained: 05-19-62

### FILE:

- 04-21-71: Letter to "Rev. Monsignor" from Msgr. Achille Lettre, pastor of St. Joseph Church in Nashua saying that two of his parishioners  wish to make a deposition.
- 04-21-71: Deposition by the  regarding Boulanger, saying that he "sexually involved" himself with their 11 year old son  Assaults took place over period of time in rectory, car, sacristy and at A cottage. Son reported to parents on 4-20-71. May have approached Two older sons as well.
- 04-21-71: Memo to file from unknown person regarding deposition from  family. Assaults on  have been going on past 6 months. Brought this to the attention of the Bishop who spoke with them.
- 04-21-71: Letter to Boulanger from Bishop Primeau saying that based on charges from  family, I must suspend your priestly faculties immediately. Call my office on 4-23-71 to arrange a personal meeting.
- 04-23-71: Letter to Bishop Primeau from Assistant Chancellor Raymond Blair regarding allegations against Boulanger by  Parents questioned their son further and allegations are worse than they thought. They called their family doctor and he advised that the suspect should be tested for VD. Mrs.  demands that Boulanger be tested. Chancellor Blair States that he is concerned that Mrs.  might cause trouble,

Legally, for Boulanger if he is not tested immediately.

- 04-23-71: Letter to Msgr. Lettre from Bishop (Primeau?) saying that Boulanger has been removed from St. Josephs as associate pastor immediately. Directed him to leave rectory of St. Joseph and requested that he not reside in the Nashua deanery.
- 04-23-71: Letter to Boulanger from Bishop (Primeau?) to confirm in writing that Boulanger terminate his assignment to St. Joseph and leave the Rectory immediately. You no longer have the faculties of the Diocese of Manchester.
- 04-23-71: Notes made by Chancellor Lapointe about an interview that took place between Bishp Primeau and Boulanger at the Bishop's office.
- Boulanger admitted that the charges made by [REDACTED] were true.
- Boulanger wanted to see the parents to apologize but Bishop said no.
- Boulanger wanted to stay at St. Josephs in Nashua but Bishop said no, must leave rectory immediately and leave Hudson/Nashua area as well.
- Boulanger says he will go to Oblate House in Colebrook for a retreat cause nowhere else to go.
- Boulanger admitted he is a sick man. Has tried to overcome homosexual Desires on his own but realizes needs professional help. Willing to speak With Father McCall as first step.
- Boulanger will see a doctor today to obtain certficcate saying no VD.
- Bishop Primeau informed Boulanger that he could not give him the Facilities of the Diocese in light of above facts. Says may never be able to Give him an assignment in the Diocese of Manchester. Boulanger Relieved immediately from assignment at St. Josephs in Nashua.
- 06-0?-71: Letter to Rev. Primeau from Dr. Philip Sullivan saying that he saw Boulanger during May 1971. Says Boulanger has personality disturbance; Difficult to correct, will take time. Should get extended psychotherapy. Suggest group therapy with small group of clergy. Let me know.
- 06-29-71: Letter to Rev. Primeau from Dr. Sullivan saying haven't heard from you about my suggestion that Boulanger get further group therapy.
- 07-01-71: Letter to Dr. Sullivan from Bishop (Primeau?) apologizing for the delay in answering a letter received from Sullivan on 6-8-71. **We've been trying to find a parish to assign Boulanger but have been unable.** So, we'll take your suggestion to send Boulanger to extended group psychotherapy.
- 09-14-71: Letter to Dr. Sullivan from "Bishop of Manchester" (Primeau). Wants progress report on Boulanger--need to determine availability of priests in diocese for assignments. Tell me your recommendations.

- 09-22-71: Letter to Rev. Primeau from Dr. Sullivan about above request. Boulanger is working hard but can't give progress report cause been seeing him too long. Advise you to get a psych eval from another psychologist.
- 09-27-71: Letter to Dr. Sullivan from Bishop (Primeau?) acknowledging receipt of letter from Sullivan received on 9-22-71. We will look into another person for eval.
- 09-27-71: Letter to Boulanger from Bishop (Primeau) asking that he make an appointment to "discuss matters".
- 05-01-72: Letter to Rev. Primeau from Dr. John Brennan saying that he saw Boulanger at the request of Dr. Sullivan. Says Boulanger has made some Progress and may be able to better deal with temptations. Can return to Work with certain safeguards. Continue group therapy with Dr. Sullivan. Minimize contact with children in the parish. If has difficulty in this area, Contact superior and Dr. Sullivan.
- 09-13-82: Letter to Rev. Christian from James Stanton of the Guest House. Please fill out attached questionnaire about Boulanger so that we may treat him properly. Says Boulanger was admitted on 9-8-82.
- 09-20-82: Letter to James Stanton of the Guest House from Fr. Christian responding to questionnaire. Reports the following. Boulanger suffering from bleeding ulcer, probably from alcohol. Heavy drinker for past 12-15 yrs, never been treated for it.
- 09-20-82: Letter to Dr. Perron from Rev. Christian informing him that Boulanger will be going to the Guest House. Need a medical history on Boulanger from Dr. Perron.
- 10-21-82: Letter to Bishop Gendron from someone (Joanne Holladay?) of the "Guest House" in Michigan updating Boulanger's progress at the program. Boulanger arrived on 09-08-82 with apparent alcohol withdrawal Indicative of alcohol abuse. History of alcohol abuse. He is working hard And we want to grant him a temporary leave in November to reacquaint With his parish etc. Also, begin AA. He will then return for short time And discharge will follow.
- 10-27-82: Letter to Joanne Holladay of Guest House from Bishop Gendron. Pleased about progress and eventual return in good health in near future.
- 01-10-83: Letter to Bishop Gendron from Joanne Holladay of the Guest House discussing Holladay's conversation with Father Christian about Boulanger's departure from the Guest House on 11-24-82. Boulanger Had returned from his temporary leave of absence and had determined His departure date to be 11-24-83. We picked 12-03-83. Boulanger Thought this was a delay and punishment for not going to AA on his Leave. We tried to reassure him but appeared further stay at the house Would be counter-productive. Radical change...we are now guarded With our prognosis.

August 1, 2002

04-02-87: Letter to Bishop Gendron from Dr. Frank Valcour--Medical Director of the St. Bernardine Clinic. Thanks Bishop for referral of Boulanger for evaluation that was done by Msgr. Christian. Came to us for assessment of alcohol and "some related behavioral difficulties". Week of alcohol withdrawal and then very cooperative in identifying sexual behavior problems. Boulanger ordained in 1962 and first assignment was in Berlin. Active in starting hockey teams and coaching....this was situation when First became involved in "inappropriate behavior with young boys". One Of the parents of the children complained to the pastor and Boulanger was asked to see a psychiatrist.

Boulanger admits to sexual problems and says youngest child he had Sexual interaction with was 13 or 14 and most recent sexual activity was 4-5 years ago (1982-83?). **This is after treatment at Guest House.** Says he has learned to control his behavior by avoidance of youth. Did have an incident with a 15 yr old boy when he was 12. He remains an alcoholic.

Tests show a marked degree of sexual preoccupation. Impulses are in Marginal control at best. Diagnosis says alcohol dependence and **Ephrophilia.** Suggest inpatient treatment program. Also, some type Of protective situation pending a bed opening at our facility.

04-16-87: Letter to Dr. Valcour from "Bishop of Manchester" thanking him for the report on Boulanger. Want Boulanger to take the resident treatment program.

06-18-87: Letter to Bishop Gendron from Dr. Romero of St. Luke Institute advising that Boulanger has entered the inpatient program. Dr. Stephen Kopp will be his therapist.

08-25-87: Letter to Bishop Gendron from Dr. Kopp of the St. Luke Institute. Says been treating Boulanger for two months. Making good progress. Recognizing alcoholism and sexual problems.

09-02-87: Letter to Dr. Kopp from Bishop Gendron thanking him for progress report on Boulanger.

10-07-87: Letter to Bishop Gendron from Dr. Kopp of the St. Luke institute. Boulanger making good progress re: alcoholism.

12-22-87: Letter to Bishop Gendron from Dr. Kopp saying that Boulanger was discharged from St. Luke. Says Boulanger made good progress on alcohol problem; did well in AA and SA. Some reluctance regarding his aftercare program. Diocese should monitor his progress.

12-22-87: Copy of "Aftercare Contract" from St. Lukes regarding 6-month agreement. Says Boulanger must attend AA 3 times/wk and get a sponsor for the program. Also, must attend SA once/wk and avoid contact with minors--no Sunday school, altar boys, choir or Boy Scouts. Limit work to 25 hours/wk, update diocesan Chancellor with progress.

August 1, 2002

- 01-07-88: Letter to Dr. Kopp from Bishop (Gendron?) thanking him for the Aftercare contract. Thanks for everything and Boulanger seems to be Happy and progressing well.
- 09-07-89: Letter to Boulanger from Msgr. Christian confirming substance of a meeting between them. Diocese is anxious to make use of you as a priest. Bishop does not want to do that until we have assurances that you are successfully coping with alcoholism and other things. Request that you begin AA once a week and SLAA meetings regularly. Get sponsors for both and provide information. Diocese will be in touch with sponsors and after receiving their evaluation and recommendation, we can discuss the possibility of reassignment in the spring.
- 06-28-90: Handwritten letter to Msgr. Christian from (Henry?) Lepage saying that Boulanger has been attending AA meetings on a regular basis and is Doing well.
- 02-28-02: Interview of [REDACTED] by Michael Bahan. Interview was by telephone as [REDACTED] lives in [REDACTED] grew up in Nashua, parents very Catholic. [REDACTED] and his three brothers were altar boys at St. Joseph's in Nashua and he and his brother [REDACTED] were sexually Assaulted by Boulanger. Boulanger was a friend of the family and the [REDACTED] parents freaked when they found out what he'd done. Assaults Took place in 1970-72 when [REDACTED] was 14 and [REDACTED] was 12. Happened In an ice house on either Alton or Pagus Bay area of Lake Winnapsauki. Boulanger had taken them ice fishing. [REDACTED] does not want anything From the Diocese. [REDACTED] believes that other priests knew of Boulanger's (and Shea's) activities, as did the Diocese, but they just kept moving him around. [REDACTED] never spoke with his other brothers about whether or not they had been assaulted.
- 02-20-02: Interview of [REDACTED] by Michael Bahan by telephone. [REDACTED] lives in [REDACTED] MA and has been there for 20+ years. [REDACTED] is responding out of respect for how AG of NH is handling the situation. [REDACTED] says he suffered a great deal of trauma since he was a child due To assaults and did not tell family until in college.
- [REDACTED] said he was assaulted by Boulanger in 1963-64 at St. Mary's in Claremont, NH where he was an altar boy. Came from a very religious Family. The incident happened in Claremont at the church and also on a Camping trip on the CT lakes that Boulanger had taken him to along with Other altar boys.
- [REDACTED] said that Father Romeo Valliere was another priest who was Friendly with Boulanger and used to drive the other altar boys around. Valliere never assaulted him but used to talk about and show pornography To the boys. [REDACTED] says he doesn't need counseling because he has Lived with this for so long but willing to provide any other info that we Need.
- 03-01-02: Letter to Michael Bahan from [REDACTED] thanking him for return call

August 1, 2002

about what occurred to [REDACTED] and his brother with Boulanger. Please keep us informed of what the AG is doing about Boulanger. We know that our case is outside the statute of limitations so our only recourse is civil and we don't want that.

In 1995 [REDACTED] mother met with Boulanger face to face after learning that younger brother had been molested by him. She had discussed what happened with Deacon John Martin at St. Joseph's hospital and he directed her to Msgr. Christian. She called Christian anonymously but he seemed more interested in active priests who were molesting. He did agree to set up a meeting with Boulanger but for some reason the meeting never took place. Says his parents want to meet with Boulanger face to face to confront him. Don't know if they need to pursue this directly thru the Diocese or maybe you can set it up for us and/or other victims.

04-03-02: Claremont Police report completed by Capt. Casey advising that in March of 2002 he received information from County Attorney Hathaway about sexual assaults that occurred in 1963-64 at St. Mary's church in Claremont. Boulanger is a suspect in the assault of [REDACTED]. An interview is scheduled with [REDACTED] by County Attorney Hathaway for 04-03-02. Casey will attend meeting to see if he should conduct an investigation.

04-03-02: Claremont Police report completed by Capt. Casey regarding interview with [REDACTED]. Interview conducted with County Attorney Hathaway at CA's office. [REDACTED] says he was an altar boy at St. Mary's Church in Claremont prior to summer of 1963. Boulanger would often come into changing room where [REDACTED] got dressed for church. Boulanger began hugging, kissing, rubbing crotch on [REDACTED]. In early 1963, Boulanger took [REDACTED] to Mascoma lake in Enfield, NH. While swimming in the lake, [REDACTED] got a leg cramp. On the dock, Boulanger rubbed [REDACTED] leg and while doing so, rubbed his genitals.

In late summer of 1963, Boulanger gave [REDACTED] a model boat as a gift and invited him on a camping trip. Went to lake Francis in Pittsburgh, NH. That night, Boulanger invited [REDACTED] into his sleeping bag and said "let's merge". [REDACTED] went and found Boulanger naked. Boulanger rubbed [REDACTED] genitals while masturbating himself. Boulanger ejaculated and [REDACTED] then went back to his own sleeping bag. The following day, Boulanger told [REDACTED] not to tell anyone about the incident. Nothing further on Boulanger.

[REDACTED] describes an incident in 1967 when assaulted by Father Lamonte. Lamonte brought [REDACTED] and another altar boy to the World's Fair in Canada. They stayed in a camper rented by Lamonte. That night, Lamonte fondled [REDACTED] genitals. [REDACTED] was 15 at the time.

Nothing further, but [REDACTED] says he is "not out to get anyone".


04-26-02: Letter to [REDACTED] from Marc Hathaway at Sullivan County Attny's office. Letter is a follow-up to their phone conversation that same date. The sexual assault complaint you made is outside the statute of limitations



Cause assaults occurred in 63-64. Checked with Claremont PD (Capt. Casey) to see if Boulanger out of state at any time and was not.

# Memorandum

**To:** File (Albert Boulanger)

**From:** Detective Peter Favreau; Manchester, NH PD 

**Date:** 08-01-02

**Re:** Berlin PD

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On 07-31-02, I received information from Officer Yakis of the Berlin Police Department regarding Father Albert Boulanger. I had inquired as to whether or not the Berlin PD had any history of contacts with Father Boulanger dating back to the 1960's. I was advised that the Berlin Police Department has had no contacts with Boulanger during this or any other time period.



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Nov. 2 1989

Spam for the Baulanger at of  
Oct. 26, 1989 re AA Attendance.

[REDACTED]

November 3, 1989

Rev. Albert L. Boulanger  
HCR-10  
Post Office Box 215  
Errol, NH 03579

Dear Al:

Thank you for your recent letter with the name of Mr. [REDACTED] as your AA sponsor.

I am delighted to hear of your regular attendance at the meetings in Berlin, and trust that Mr. [REDACTED] will continue to be helpful to you.

I appreciate, as well, the sacrifice you are making to attend the SLAA meetings in Manchester. While the distances are long, it seems from what you say that you are receiving good support there as well. When you choose a sponsor in that group, please let me know.

In closing, please be aware of my prayers that things will continue to go well with you and that you will soon be able to return to full-time ministry.

Assuring you of my prayerful best wishes, I am

Fraternally in Christ,

(Msgr.) Francis J. Christian  
Secretary  
Chancellor

November 2, 1969

Mr. Francis J. Christian  
 Chancellor  
 Diocese of Manchester  
 Manchester N.H.

Dear Frank,

Thank you for the sick leave  
 salary for October.

Weekly attendance at James River  
 Industrial Bd, Berlin is progressing  
 well. Last week, I procured a  
 sponsor. Mr. [REDACTED] chairs  
 the meetings, he has engaged continued  
 salviety for several years and a  
 retired employee of the company.  
 He founded this group at the request  
 of Father Dan St. Laurent while  
 Dan was stationed in Berlin.  
 Mr. [REDACTED] is informed of my identity,  
 residence and addiction.

This educated gentleman is likewise informed of the reasons for my request to him in this capacity and supports it. Also, I presented him your name and office telephone number as the official in charge for my conduct.

With Mother Steve Scanton's advice, I am now attending SLAA meetings at the manastery, ~~St.~~ ~~Immaculate~~ College in Manchester on the last Thursday of each month at 7:30 - 10:00 pm. The meeting is hardly convenient because of the late hour, however, it is an 'all-points' session and I have derived much support with my conference.

Personally, I am keeping busy with manual work, prayer and considerable reading. Finally, but not least, I am not drinking and in good health.

Sincerely in Christ  
 - Mother Albert Bandanger



September 28, 1989

Rev. Albert L. Boulanger  
HCR-10  
Post Office Box 215  
Errol, NH 03579

Dear Al:

Thank you for your letter of September 21st. I am happy to hear of the steps you have taken, and pray that they will be helpful to you.

I look forward to the names of the people you choose as sponsors, as soon as you have made your selections.

Please find enclosed a check for your sick leave salary for the months of July, August, and September. Beginning in October you will receive a monthly check for the agreed upon diocesan rate for a priest who is on sick leave.

Please do not hesitate to call upon me if I can be of assistance to you at any time at all, particularly in the weeks ahead.

With every good wish, I am

Fraternally in Christ,

(Msgr) Francis J. Christian  
Secretary  
Chancellor

Enclosure

Sept. 25, 1989

Mrs. Francis Christian  
Chancellor  
Diocese of Manchester  
Manchester NH.

Dear Frank,

I received your note of September 7.  
Am grateful for your, and the diocese,  
continued concern.

Presently attending AA meeting weekly  
in Berlin NH; James River Industrial  
Relations Bldg. Conference Rm. 12:00-1:00 PM,  
Wednesdays.

The meeting is well attended. It consists  
in 'open discussion'. My intention  
is to continue here because of its  
relative closeness, dignified language  
and participants.

I will seek my sponsor at the earliest possible and notify you of his name and address.

SLHA meetings are not available up here. Since, I have tried unsuccessfully to reach Fr. Steve Scruton in Plainfield N.H.

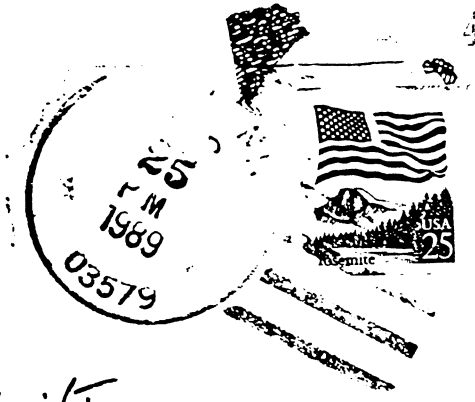
Now I plan to inquire for Rumford a Postland Me.

On my part, I am not drinking and in good health.

Sincerely in Christ,

Adrian Albert Saulmeyer

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Mrs. Francis J. Christian  
Chancellor  
Diocese of Manchester  
123 Ash St. P.O. Box 310  
Manchester, N.H.

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*From the Desk of . . .*

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FATHER PAUL L. BOUCHARD

MEMORANDUM

TO: Msgr. Christian  
FROM: Father Bouchard  
DATE: 27 February 1987  
RE: Father Al Boulanger

Mr. Louis Boulanger, Al's brother, called this afternoon. He wished to speak with you. He asked that you give him a call on Monday at: [REDACTED] (office), or [REDACTED] (home).



## SECRETARIAT FOR ADMINISTRATIVE AND CANONICAL AFFAIRS

Diocese of Manchester, 153 Ash Street, P.O. Box 310, Manchester, NH 03105-0310 603-669-3100

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February 27, 1987

Ms. Mary Ellen Merrick  
Director, Outreach and After Care  
Post Office Box 4104  
Hyattsville, MD 20781

Dear Mary Ellen:

Subsequent to our recent telephone conversation enclosed please find copies of the recent correspondence between Father Joseph Klatka, the Dean of the Franconia Deanery, and Bishop Gendron in regard to Father Albert Boulanger, the pastor of Saint Matthew Parish in Whitefield. I also enclose copies of several notes and/or letters Father Klatka had received from parishioners in reference to the problem. It is my estimation that these letters are very indicative of the opinions of many people in the community. The communication that took place between the Bishop and Father Klatka approximately a year ago was verbal and we have no written record of it. It dealt with substantially the same sort of concerns.

You may have learned from Nancy that my meeting with Father Boulanger was partially successful. He has agreed to the testing program on the 16th of March, provided he can place the young man who has been living with him with a family. According to him, the young man has no place to go, and because he is eighteen years old and no longer a minor, the State is not responsible for him.

I have notified Father Boulanger that out of concern for him we want him to accept the treatment, but that one way or another an administrator to his parish will be appointed by the 16th of March, and that he will have to leave the parish at that time.

I am grateful to you for your help with this difficult situation and will notify you in the near future, as soon as the final determination about treatment is made. Please feel free to call me if you have any questions or concerns. With every good wish, I am

Sincerely in Christ,

(Msgr.) Francis J. Christian  
Secretary,  
Chancellor

Enclosures

Boulanger.

-10-87 - I received a call from a  
person of his child. Fr. Boulanger  
to J.P. - they called about concerning  
they had intended to do

a [REDACTED] 4771 re:  
referred as they were married  
longtime + relationship - child



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**Saint Rose of Lima Rectory**  
30 Clay Street  
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February 8, 1987

Most Reverend Odore J. Gendron  
Diocese of Manchester  
153 Ash Street  
Manchester, N.H. 03105

Dear Bishop Gendron:

I might begin this letter by stating that it is very difficult to place thoughts and impressions concerning this matter on paper.

I am writing after having approached Rev. Albert Boulanger concerning some matters that have been recently reported to me by parishioners of St. Matthew Parish and St. Patrick Mission. The immediate concerns were basically his seeming disinterestedness in people who were approaching him concerning marriage preparations and also his apparent drinking which was becoming increasingly noticed by parishioners who were coming in contact with him.

The first complaint gave me an opportunity to attempt to see him and bring up several concerns. The two recent complaints dealt with a difficulty people have in contacting him in the first place. It was brought to my attention that when the individuals did finally make contact they were not impressed with his willingness to assist them in their marriage preparations, and finally both were told that there was no place in the area that they could receive the necessary Toward Marriage Preparation. As to his availability, I can confirm that it is difficult to contact him, even I have found this to be true. In the conversation concerning marriages I did get the definite impression that he is rather disinterested. As to the the availability I reminded him that he was informed and received applications for the Toward Marriage Program in our Parish here at St. Rose. He acknowledged that he had the forms and had no response as to why the individuals had to contact Littleton directly after having heard from others that we had such a program available.

The conversation and attitude can best be summarized by a statement by Fr. Boulanger that marriages are a "bitch", especially when these people don't go to church, only want a "church wedding", etc.

This above matter also gave me an opportunity to ask him of his health and feeling about being assigned to St. Matthew's and he asked why I was asking. I then mentioned that it had been reported that there have been occasion when parishioners had reported a concern that alcohol had been evident in situations when they had come in contact with him, and as alcohol had been a problem in the past there was concern that it may be possible it was becoming a difficulty again.



I think that he knew that I had definite evidence of his drinking, especially as I found out later in the conversation that he knew of my discussion with Fr. Shea during the summer concerning his drinking. Fr. Boulanger had been obviously implicated in that situation.

He did not deny his drinking and admitted without question that he has been drinking and had no intention to stop drinking as he did not feel that it was creating a problem. He claims to drink only after his work is completed. He mentioned that the evening before he had had six scotches but only after he was done work.

At this time he went on to state that he does not intend to stop drinking and that if the Diocese were to request that he return to any sort of a House of Affirmation that he would leave, rather than be subjected to such humiliation again. Here again there have been situations in the past that parishioners have come forward with a concern on this matter but were unwilling to have their names used.

Also of concern to me was the presence in the Rectory at the time of a young man who had been "taken in" by Fr. Boulanger. It was explained that the young man had a drug and home problem and that Father was going to take him in. The young man had known Fr. Boulanger from his Ashland assignment. What was disturbing was that at no time did Fr. Boulanger ask the young man to excuse himself as we talked of what I considered to be sensitive issues. In fact he was brought into the conversation by Fr. Boulanger.

I am also concerned that the closeness of Fr. Boulanger and Fr. Shea is not a healthy situation as it is without question that both have involved themselves in the return to the consumption of alcohol which for both has been a serious problem in the past.

Enclosed also is a recent bulletin that was brought to my attention from St. Matthew's Parish. Perhaps this gives some indication that all is not well in this situation.

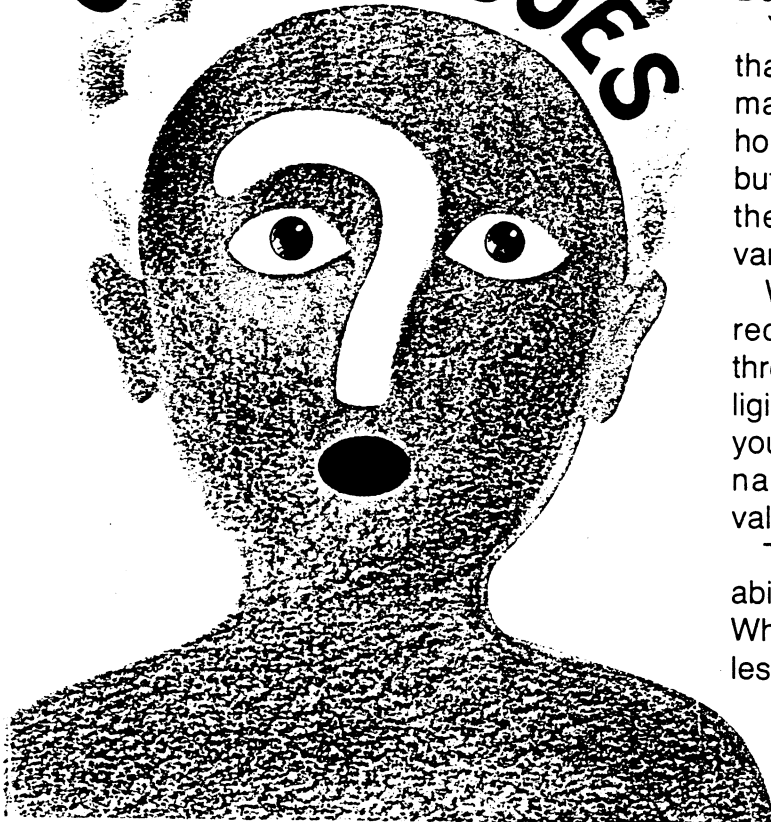
It is very difficult for me to report this matter to you and I too pray that it can be resolved for the best of all individuals involved. At least this may give you the opportunity to assess the situation first hand. It at least allows the door to be opened.

Hoping for the best, I am

Sincerely:  
Rev. Joseph Klatka



I'm  
confused  
about  
**CURRENT  
CHURCH  
ISSUES**



Dear Padre,

I am embarrassed to admit that I do not know very much about my Catholic faith. I am very confused about current issues in the Church and have little knowledge to fall back on. Can you give me some suggestions on how I can "catch up" with the rest of the Church?

Darren

Dear Darren,

Your concern is much more common than you might imagine. There are many members of the Church who honestly try to live their Catholic faith but feel they have been left behind in the current Church discussions on various issues.

When you were young, you probably received a fine religious foundation through your parents, relatives, and religion classes. As you mature, however, you need to deepen and further internalize those basic teachings and values.

Teaching should correspond with the ability of the person to comprehend. When we were young, our catechism lessons were explained to us in very

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SMILE: SEEN on Brooklyn, N.Y. church bulletin board:

" Good character, like good soup, is made at home."

Father Murphy was a priest in a poor parish. He asked for suggestions as to how he could raise money for the church. He was told that horse owners always have money. So he went to a horse auction and bid on a horse; but made a very poor buy as the horse turned out to be a donkey. In a race, the donkey came in third, and the next morning the headlines read: "Father Murphy's ass shows." The bishop saw the paper and was greatly displeased.

The next day the donkey came in first and the headlines read, "Father Murphy's ass our front." The bishop was up in arms. The following day the donkey came in second and the headlines read, "Father Murphy's ass back in place." The Bishop thought this was too much, so he forbid the priest to enter next day's race.

The headlines read the next day, "Bishop scratches Father Murphy's ass."

When the Bishop read this he ordered Father Murphy to get rid of the donkey. So Father gave the donkey to Sister Agatha as a pet. The headlines the next day read; "Father Murphy gives ass to the sisters." When the Bishop read this he ordered the sisters to dispose of the donkey at once. They sold the donkey for ten dollars. The headlines the next day read, "Sister Agatha peddles her ass for ten dollars." They buried the Bishop 3 days later.

February 1, 1987

Sincerely, Father Boulanger



"How blest are the poor in spirit" Mt 5:3

WHITEFIELD, NH

TWIN MOUNTAIN, NH

- SATURDAY MASSES : 4:00 P.M. ( St. Patrick ) 7:00 P.M.
- SUNDAY MASS : 10:30 A.M.
- BAPTISM : By appointment.
- MARRIAGE : Couples should make arrangements six months prior to the wedding.
- CONFESSION : Saturday at 3:30 before Mass. Anytime upon request.
- SACRAMENT OF THE SICK : Please notify the rectory if someone is unable to attend Mass or is confined at home or the hospital.

MASS

Our sisters and brothers will be remembered in Masses this week at the request of their families and friends.

INTENTIONS

- Sat. 4:00 pm, Rosa Couturier, by Mr. & Mrs. Clifford Irgerson.
- 7:00 pm, For all members of the parish.
- Sun. 10:30 am, Mary Kraskowski, by Tom & Lil Gage.
- Mon. 8:00 am, Mass Fund.
- Tue. Marie Cote, by Mrs. Celina Fudala.
- Wed. NO MASS.
- Thu. NO MASS.
- Fri. 8:00 am, The souls in purgatory.
- 10:00 am, For the sick and shut-ins of the community. ( at Morrison Home ).
- Sat. 4:00 pm, For all members of the parish.
- 7:00 pm, A special intention.

YOUR OFFERING TO GOD: St. Matthew = \$317.00 St. Patrick = \$137.00

HOLY FATHER COLLECTION = \$164.00 = \$68.00

however, did not deepen as we grew older, we might still see many of the aspects of our faith from a limited perspective. It sounds to me like the limited education you received as a child is not sufficient to satisfy your curiosity as an adult. You need to know more.

It has been said that the beginning of wisdom is the realization that you need to know more. So, Darren, I think you are in a good position at this time of your life. Fortunately, the Church offers many possible avenues to broaden your vision through education. I will list just a few of them.

Expansion of your knowledge and faith can happen at the weekly Eucharist. The homily, for instance, can be an excellent way to deepen your understanding of Scripture and this is even truer if you use a study guide such as *The Sunday Readings in Your Life* for personal preparation for the Sunday Mass. (This leaflet is available from Liguori Publications, Box 497, Liguori, MO 63057 on an individual subscription basis for \$9.95 per year; add \$4 per year for subscriptions outside U.S.A.)

Another great source of educational enrichment can come from your parish bulletin. Many pastors are making it a point to include some educational message every week. Many times within the bulletin you will also find announcements about "update" courses offered at convenient times and places either on a parish or diocesan level. These are usually conducted by professionals who have done much work in a given area. Such courses can be

great time commitment.

Another resource is your diocesan newspaper. Editors today make a point of including not only news items but also articles of educational enrichment to the reader. There is also a wealth of good Catholic magazines and books available that address a variety of topics.

Finally, if you look at the entrance to your parish church you are likely to find a book and pamphlet rack. These inexpensive resources are offered as a further means to deepen your faith. If your parish does not have such a resource, don't overlook the Catholic bookstore in your city or the possibility of ordering material through the mail. Many parishes also have a library or resource center.

Darren, with everything else going on, some people say they have less and less time for personal enrichment. If religious development is important, time can and should be found.

You have many opportunities to deepen your knowledge of your faith. You do not have to become a great theologian to live a great Christian life, but you do have to use the gifts that God has given you to know, love, and serve him and others. The more educated the members of our Church become, the better equipped we will be to deepen our relationship with our loving God and, at the same time, work to make this world a better place to live.

*The Padre*

Father Dick Thibodeau, C.S.S.R.

January 3, 1987

Very Rev. Joseph S. Klatka, V.F.  
St. Rose of Lima Rectory  
30 Clay Street  
Littleton, New Hampshire 03561

Dear Fr. Klatka:

Thank you for your letter of December 13 in reference to Father Albert Boulanger. I appreciate your informing me of the strong evidence that he is once again drinking. I certainly intend to pursue this matter in the near future, and will call upon you if I need further information or further assistance.

Thank you for making me aware of this, and I ask your prayers in dealing with it in a way that will be successful.

With every good wish, I am

Cordially in Christ,

Bishop of Manchester



30 Clay Street  
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December 13, 1986

Most Reverend Odore J. Gendron  
154 Ash Street  
Manchester, N.H. 03103

Dear Bishop Gendron:

I am writing this letter after hearing and personally receiving a number of concerns and complaints about Rev. Albert Boulanger, the Pastor of St. Matthew's Church in Whitefield, N.H.

There is concern that he is again involving himself in the consumption of sufficient amounts of alcohol which is affecting his ministry in this area. I have received reports of harshness in his dealing with people both from the parish and from those outside of the area. The smell of alcohol has been very apparent in the contact that he has with people both in Rectory situations and out of Rectory situations.

The difficulty arises in that very few individuals wish to come forward in order to bring these specific circumstances into the public. I have no reason to doubt that Fr. Boulanger is having a difficulty again as regards drinking, and even if this were not the case his reactions to normal requests that are made is rather hard to explain if this were not the case. He may be having other difficulties of which I am not aware.

However, there does seem to be enough concern for this to warrant your attention.

Wishing you the best this season brings, I am

Sincerely:

Rev. Joseph Klatka  
Dean

In my opinion, Father Boulanger is not the type of priest who should be assigned a parish. He should be a priest who fills in for vacationing priests or does troubleshooting assignments for the Bishop. To my mind, he is arrogant and belligerent, and has a very military attitude: "You will do as I say--no questions--instant obedience. I am the 'boss' and that's it." If anyone asks him questions, he immediately is on the defensive, as if to say, "How dare you ask me that? I don't have to account for myself." I have heard him say several times, "If you don't like the way I do things, then demand my resignation." Personally speaking, if I had a problem that I wanted to discuss with a priest he is the last one I would approach.

I have participated in parish councils under two pastors and I found that the council was a good way of communicating with the priest. He could learn from us and we could learn from him; all would work together to solve problems facing the parish. Fr. Boulanger stated that he has no use for parish councils--"They just get in the way." If he had to have a parish council, he said he would appoint one made up of businessmen who "knew what they were doing"; this, after he had dissolved a council chaired by a woman who had owned and operated a large motel for more than ten years. The implication was that the women who made up the majority of the council could not have been business people and thus had no expertise in administrative/financial matters; the implication about the men who were also council members was unclear. Father also said that while he was priest there would be no council elections, only appointments.

Later in the meeting at which Fr. Boulanger criticized the late parish council, he said he had had trouble learning things about the parish when he arrived at St. Matthew's and St. Patrick's; if he had not dissolved the council, he could have discussed his problems and questions with the members. Toward the end of the same meeting, Father was asked about the shrine at Bretton Woods and

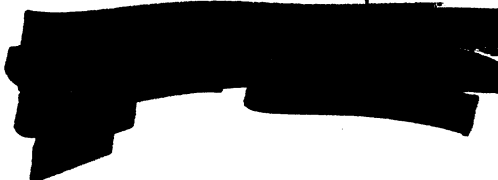


his response was that he did not want "that commercial enterprise involved in the church--the shrine is no concern of theirs." He seemed, in other words, to contradict himself--in one instance, he preferred to have business people involved in church decisions, but in the other, he preferred to keep them out.

Father's statement at the same meeting that "Vatican II was bad enough--it caused enough changes--but Renew is worse" shed a lot of light on his way of thinking. I think he would be much happier being a pastor in 1886 than in 1986. He said the Renew movement is divisive and unnecessary.

When Fr. Boulanger was asked if he could say two Masses in Twin Mountain on summer weekends, his reply was that he is a sick man and that it exhausts him to say Mass; therefore, there would be only one Mass in Twin and two in Whitefield. I fail to see, myself, why it is such a physically exhausting duty to say a low Mass. If the priest is that unhealthy, he should not have a parish. I will say that Father is more pleasant and in less of a hurry to leave at the morning Mass this summer than at the evening Mass the rest of the year, but I suspect that has a basis other than his cardiac health.

I really believe it would be best for Fr. Boulanger and for our parish if he were to be reassigned to some sort of executive/administrative position and were to be replaced by a younger, more capable priest.



1 1 1/2 hrs Good Friday.

He brings St. Patrick's 3 hours  
Easter Pilgr. Easter Sunday -

Masses cut drastically - weekly -

No first Tri. Mass - ever

3 Masses for our dead - no name  
mentioned

No votive Candles any more.

Fr. wants funerals - baptisms  
any etc. celebrated in Whitefield

It's as tho. St. Pat. Day is

did not exist.

Teach him. He is either on vacation  
 3 days when no masses are scheduled  
~~at~~ each wk or — ? ?

We really did not expect another  
 J.F. array because there isn't one  
 but to give us such a complete  
 different human being has upset  
 this Catholic community above <sup>and</sup> beyond.



To whom it may concern,  
 Father Boulanger has a hostile attitude  
 and won't listen to suggestions. He has stated  
 that he will do things his way.

He can never be reached by phone or even  
 when you go to the rectory.

I thought that Pastors are suppose to try to  
 please all his people, but it only is obvious  
 that he pleases just certain few that he stays  
 in touch with, seems to be a certain clique!

His hurriedness is very upsetting to me + my  
 family. He has almost managed to make me  
 drop the host on several occasions with his  
 pace he keeps. He hurrys through the mass alms  
 to the effect of wanting to just get it over with.

I feel that two Masses in Whitefield + Two Mas-  
 es in Twin Mt would be serving the people well.  
 He has arranged the schedule according to his  
 convenience, never mind the people!

I also understand that he is not a well man.  
 Well if this is the case why did they send  
 him here? (To Serve us, The People)

And in my opinion, due to witnessing  
 this myself. If he didn't drink so much  
 then he is not on the altar, meaning on his

be able to accomplish these certain task that should be accomplished by our Pastor!

Thank you for listening!

If you may concern: my husband and I  
are Senior Citizens and attend St. Patricks  
church. We find Father Boulanger to be  
unavailable on many occasions. He is  
usually flippant about mistakes that  
the congregation doesn't find funny.  
We had a serious family problem recently  
and found it necessary to ask help of  
another parish priest to help. He shows  
little interest in St. Patricks and we  
fear he would like to close this  
church too.

In all sincerity

Two concerned persons

of his parishioners, due to  
 health, he should not be assigned  
 to an area, such as this, which  
 necessitates a lot of traveling.

As far as the possibility of  
 losing St. Patrick's due to lack of  
 income - in the 40 years I've been  
 a member, never once has this  
 been an issue. The Pastor himself  
 advised people to go elsewhere if  
 not satisfied, so why shouldn't the  
 income drop. Why should the  
 parishioners contribute more if  
 they know it doesn't stay in an  
 account for St. Pat's. for the necessary  
 expenses. If there was a separate  
 account (which there previously  
 has been) I'm sure the extra  
 donations would once again resume.

In the past 2 years, I've never  
 seen such a drop in the anniversary  
 revenue of the so-called "natives".  
 I wonder why?

Thoughts relating to Fr. Boulanger and his Parish.

I have only been with the Catholic community for a short time, but I feel some comments should be expressed regarding our Pastor.

I have been under the impression that a Priest agrees to certain sacrifices when accepting the vocation. This was very apparent when Fr. Harvey was Pastor, all of his time and effort was devoted to the Church and people. No one is perfect, but I think he did a tremendous job keeping all three churches together and gathering the flock. Many times to the point of exhaustion. This was my idea of a Priest, always ready to listen, work and contribute of himself to further the Catholic religion.

His replacement, Fr. Boulanger is certainly a different person. So different that I wonder, at this point, if he is in the right profession. The most that I can say, in his favor, is that he does give some good sermons. However, his other traits are ruining the Church and driving the flock away.

The masses are usually hurried to the point of disbelief. The Host is often not given the Sacred care that one would expect. He is just in too much of a hurry at Communion. I even wonder if the extra-ordinary ministers he utilizes are even qualified according to the church rules.

Many times his readings are the wrong ones, other things that are done at mass are not what you normally see done by other priests. I wonder sometimes if his mind is really on what he is doing.

I have wanted to contact him for problems, at times, but am reluctant to after hearing other parishioners failure to communicate with him. They either can't get him by phone or in person and if they do he gives very abrupt responses and often misleading statements. He is apparently not a man you can discuss things sensibly with or have much faith in.

It appears that there are either health, social or professional problems that are in direct conflict with the priestly duties. He is constantly blaming Fr. Harvey for leaving the parish in a mess with no records and many parish problems. Some of his statements are bordering on defamation of character of Fr. Harvey. This is wrong, and more so when he is supposed to be chosen by the Lord.

I do believe Fr. Boulanger's problems did not develop with this assignment. A check with prior assignments would no



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October 27, 1982

Rev. Albert L. Boulanger  
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Dear Father Boulanger:

I have recently been informed that you will be on leave for a period of approximately a week, beginning November 5th. I was pleased to learn as well that you are making excellent progress in dealing with your alcoholism, and I look forward to having you back in the Diocese working happily and fruitfully in the near future.

During the time that you are home will you arrange to see me so that we can discuss your situation more fully, and how I can perhaps be of any further assistance to you.

Events in the diocese are proceeding at a rather hectic pace right now. The pastoral visitation is again occupying a good deal of my time, but with the upcoming meeting of Bishops in Washington scheduled for the week of November 14th, I have lots of other work to do as well. Please keep me and all of your fellow priests in your prayers, as I do you in mine.

I have notified Father Raiche in Ashland that you will be coming to the parish during your leave and will probably stay with him for a few days. I am sure that the parishioners will be happy to see you, and I know that Father Raiche will be glad to have some company. He will, of course, continue to administer the parish until such time as you are capable of returning full time.

Rev. Albert L. Boulanger

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In closing, let me assure you of my prayers for you and your welfare, and state once again that I look forward to having you back at work in the near future.

With every good wish, I am

Cordially in Christ,

Bishop of Manchester

Council - Dissolved

Round Table - Discussion - 4/2

Second Round Table - 1/2 people →  
Volunteers - Elect

Fr. Harvey - nervous breakdown?  
- didn't have notes  
- no records  
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George - saint < some pollen  
divine between Tom + Whitfield

Attitude -  
Unavailable -

rose  
logos of memory  
confused

change in personality.  
'cryptofolium  
wonder of - dining - small of alcohol evenings - Rom' also.

Cemetery -  
quinted soulless -

Daily Mon.  
8 AM - Tom + Walmsley -