

Memorandum

To: Cardinal Law
From: Reverend Charles J. Higgins
cc: Bishop Murphy
Reverend Paul Miceli
Date: Thursday, November 2, 2000
Subject: Reverend James Foley

This meeting with Father Foley, October 23, 2000, was in response to his recent letter to you in which he expressed general anger and outrage at the policy concerning sexual misconduct and the failure on my part to find him an adequate parish residence.

Father Foley sees himself and his situation as being very unique. To him the treatment that he has received, at the hands of the Archdiocese, is reflective of our general injustice and lack of charity. Because I have not responded to his expectations and will not allow him to independently operate outside the rule of policy, our relationship is a bit adversarial. To Father Foley I am "the incarnate word of the evil one", and I am not able to forward his needs and concerns to you or anyone.

Presently, I have recommended that Father Foley complete his five step recovery program that was a result of his six months at Southdown. He has failed to follow through in four of the five necessary areas. (enclosed) I have arranged, through Fr. Dan Twomey, for Fr. Foley to reside at St. Patrick's in Natick so he may complete all the areas of his treatment program. However, Fr. Foley was not amiable to this aspect of his ongoing treatment. He would rather go to Omaha, Nebraska, to the Intercessors of the Lamb, to complete the treatment program and live as a full time priest.

I do not recommend Omaha as a course of action due to his failure in the past to adhere to the recommended plan. There is the possible legal issues in the future if we let him reside outside the Archdiocese. Fr. Foley needs to demonstrate a positive response to the treatment plan while residing at St. Patrick's before we can address any other issue concerning his future. My sense is that if he is out of our local control he will do what ever he wishes.

Fr. Foley wishes a meeting with you. His purpose is to plead his case and have you change the policy regarding his situation. At the present time I do not think a

meeting would be of benefit. He needs to deal with his anger and outrage with the policy first before any constructive conversation can take place.

CJH

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To: Reverend James Foley
From: Reverend Charles J. Higgins
Date: Monday, October 23, 2000
Subject: Covenant Plan .

In response to your covenant and the Southdown review, the following issues need to be addressed:

<u>Individual Psychotherapy</u>	continuation with psychotherapy. Presently your meeting with Dr. Vincent Lynch occur twice weekly. This should continue with periodic progress reports to the delegate.
<u>Spiritual Direction</u>	a recommended spiritual director from the available diocesan list with the recommendation that spiritual direction be monthly.
<u>Self Help</u>	participation in the recommended aftercare self-help program.
<u>Residence</u>	residential living at Saint Patrick Parish in Natick, MA - with monthly progress and evaluations from Fr. Twomey and Fr. Foley.
<u>Medical</u>	follow through with regular blood tests and general medical. Our Tufts medical provides for ongoing care.
<u>Ministry</u>	following the procedures of the Archdiocesan Policy there is no ministry.
<u>Excardination</u>	because of liability and legal problems there is no possibility of excardination.