

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL  
MEMORANDUM

TO: Rev. Brian M. Flatley  
FROM: Sister Rita V. McCarthy  
DATE: June 19, 1996  
RE:

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came to the Chancery Office Wednesday morning, June 19, 1996, to discuss his relationship with Father Sydney Bayers (deceased) when was a teenager. He has been married for ten years and has two children. He has been a "sober" alcoholic since he was twenty seven. However, his relationship with his wife, like everything else in his life, has not been very good. He expressed that he feels like a walking time bomb most of the time.

displayed great concern for his lack of emotional support for his wife, who has had a few operations. He feels that she has been very understanding of him through the years and would like to reciprocate but feels empty, tired and drained. He has a difficult time with intimacy.

Last Saturday he went over to St. Edward's Church to tell one of the priest there about his problem. The priest told him to go to confession and that he needs to be more spiritual. He meekly went away and decided to call Brighton.

Once started talking, he really opened up and kept going for an hour and one half, resurrecting all the pain and hurt of his past. He told about growing up with his parents and his father being very ill. During that time Father Bayers came to visit his family often. Eventually his father died (1960) and Father practically lived with them. He had a bed in room; was eleven years old when Father started being intimate with him -- kissing, masturbating, and even hitting him. He felt trapped.

Father Bayers used to go out drinking with mother. This made angry and gave him no recourse. He loved going to parochial school and was especially fond of his sixth grade teacher, Sister Rose Cabrini. Then gradually he began to lose heart and be unhappy. He had no one to share this problem with. When it was time to go to high school, he deliberately flunked the entrance exam for Cardinal Spellman. However, Father Bayers interceded for him and he was accepted. He did nothing while he was there and had to leave in December of his freshman year. He did manage to finish public high school. Since then, he attempts many things but never finishes.

started to read Peter Pan Syndrome but he stopped after twenty pages. He couldn't continue blaming his mother. It was time he did something about his own problem.

He took a list of therapists with him when he left to select one. I told him to call and let me know whom he chooses. He also took a waiver which he will sign and return to me.

felt that other priests must have known what was going on. (Father Francis Goss and Peter Martocchio were at the rectory at the time when Father Bayers was pastor.)

6/24/96 Signed waiver returned Name of therapist: Dr. Debra Horowski

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