

PERSONNEL
FILES

for

BERARD
CONNOLLY

STATE OF CALIFORNIA
CERTIFICATION OF VITAL RECORD

SANTA BARBARA COUNTY
HEALTH CARE SERVICES

CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

3199942001018

STATE FILE NUMBER		USE BLACK INK ONLY-NO ERASURES, WHITEOUTS OR ALTERATIONS VS-1 (REV. 7/87)		LOCAL REGISTRATION NUMBER	
1. NAME OF DECEASED-FIRST NAME WILLIAM		2. MIDDLE CONNOLLY		3. LAST NAME CONNOLLY	
4. DATE OF BIRTH M/M/DD/CCYY 02/26/1928		5. AGE YRS 71		7. DATE OF DEATH M/M/DD/CCYY 04/29/1999	
9. STATE OF BIRTH CA		10. SOCIAL SECURITY NO. 536-54-8925		11. MARITAL STATUS NEVER MARRIED	
14. RACE WHITE		15. SEX MALE		16. USUAL EMPLOYER FRANCISCAN FRIARS ST. BARBARA'S PROVINCE	
17. OCCUPATION FRANCISCAN FRIAR		18. KIND OF BUSINESS RELIGION		19. YEARS IN OCCUPATION 47	
20. RESIDENCE-STREET AND NUMBER OR LOCATION 2201 LAGUNA STREET		21. CITY SANTA BARBARA		22. STATE OR FOREIGN COUNTRY CALIFORNIA	
23. NAME OF SURVIVING SPOUSE-FIRST FATHER CLIFFORD HIELE, GUARDIAN		24. MIDDLE GUARDIAN		25. LAST NAME GUARDIAN	
26. NAME OF SURVIVING SPOUSE-FIRST FRANCIS		27. MIDDLE CONNOLLY		28. LAST NAME CONNOLLY	
29. NAME OF SURVIVING SPOUSE-FIRST MADELINE		30. MIDDLE DAILEY		31. LAST NAME DAILEY	
32. DATE OF DEATH 05/04/1999		33. PLACE OF FINAL DISPOSITION OLD MISSION CEMETERY, SANTA BARBARA, CA		34. TYPE OF DISPOSITION CREMATION-BURIAL	
35. NAME OF FUNERAL DIRECTOR WELCH-ROSE-HADDER		36. LICENSE NO. 303		37. SIGNATURE OF FUNERAL DIRECTOR <i>[Signature]</i>	
38. PLACE OF DEATH COTTAGE HOSPITAL		39. STREET ADDRESS-ESTATE OR NUMBER OR LOCATION 320 WEST PUEBLO STREET		40. CITY SANTA BARBARA	
41. STATE OF DEATH CA		42. COUNTY SANTA BARBARA		43. ZIP CODE 93105	
44. IMMEDIATE CAUSE RESPIRATORY FAILURE		45. DUE TO (A) MYASTHENIA GRAVIS		46. DUE TO (B) DIABETES MELLITUS	
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NAME (Type or Print) Bro. Berard William CONNOLLY
 (Religious) (Baptismal) (Family)

APPOINTMENTS (continued)

1949 - 1950		St. Joseph's, Los Angeles, California	
1950 - 1953		St. Francis Retreat, San Juan Bautista, California	
1953 - 1958		Serra Retreat, Malibu, California	
1958 - 1964		Ascension, Portland, Oregon	
1964	July	St. Francis Church, Spokane, Wash.	
1968	May	St. Anne's Church, Spokane	C.C.D
1971	Dec	St. Francis Church, Provo, Utah	Parish Associate
1978	May	novitiate staff, Oakland; ministry to aged & infirm (St. Elizabeth's)	
1979	Aug 8	Elected Definitor of the Province; Aug. 14, 1979 Vocation Secretary; Editor of WESTFRIARS	
1980	Oct.	St. Anthony Seminary; Vocation Director of the Province; Promoter for SAS	
1982	May	Director of Associate Program, formation	
1985	Aug	Re-elected Definitor	
1986		Toledo/Winlock, WA associate	
1988		San Xavier Mission - Tucson, Az; FMC, Westfarms, ministry	
1993	January	St. Francis Retreat, San Juan Bautista; retreat ministry, Westfarms	
1998	Sept.	Serra Retreat, Malibu; infirm	

Deceased: April 29, 1999 - Cottage Hospital, Santa Barbara, CA
 71 years old; a friar for 50 years

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PARENTS Francis Connolly Madeline Baly
(father) (mother)

BIRTH San Francisco, California February 26, 1928
(place) (date)

EDUCATION (date, place)

Grade School St. Dominic's - St. Monica's - Mission Dolores - St. Charles', San Francisco

High School St. Anthony's, Santa Barbara Mission, San Francisco

College -----

Seminary ----- Novitiate San Miguel

Philosophy ----- Theology -----

INVESTED Tertiary - November 21, 1945 San Luis Rey, California

First Order - July 11, 1948 San Miguel, California
(date) (place)

SIMPLE VOWS July 12, 1949 San Miguel, Calif. SOLEMN VOWS July 12, 1952 San Luis Rey, Calif.
(date) (place) (date) (place)

PRIESTHOOD ----- -----
(date) (place) (ordaining Prelate)

SPECIAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS e.g. Post-Graduate Degree work, published works, buildings, etc.

APPOINTMENTS (dates, positions held, places)

1945 - 1946 Old Mission, San Luis Rey, California

1946 - 1948 Old Mission, Santa Barbara, California

1948 - 1949 Old Mission, San Miguel, California (Novitiate)

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Br. Berard Connolly, OFM
Born: February 26, 1928
Received: July 11, 1948
First Profession: July 12, 1949
Solemn Profession: July 12, 1952
Died: April 29, 1999
Buried: Old Mission Santa Barbara

The Rule and life of the Friars Minor is this, namely, to observe the Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ by living in obedience, without property and in chastity. May our brother who promised to observe all this be filled in heaven with the blessing of the most high Father.

Amen.

Merciful Father, we commend our brother into your hands. We return to you the gift you have given us in his life among us and in the service of your people. We thank you for all that you have done for him, and for all you have done for us through him. Welcome him into your kingdom. Comfort us who remain in this life. Strengthen our faith, increase our hope of sharing eternal life with him, and deepen our love. We make this prayer through your Son Jesus who is our resurrection and life.

Amen.

May He Rest In Peace

Berard William Connolly
1928-1999

Bro. Berard was born and grew up in San Francisco, something that he was proud of all of his life. The family apparently moved about within the City, because he attended four different parish schools, none of them Franciscan. Yet he somehow got to know the friars, and when he felt called to the priesthood, he entered St Anthony's Seminary, Santa Barbara (August 1943).

He liked churchly stuff, and I remember him at SAS (his class was two years behind ours) as member of the sacristy crew. His hopes dissolved, however, when he couldn't get Latin- in those days the litmus test for priesthood- and he had to drop out after a year. Yet he didn't give up on being a Franciscan. After graduating from Mission High, he applied for and was accepted as a Tertiary Brother (November 1945).

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After novitiate he spent one year at St Joseph's, LA, and three years at St Francis Retreat, during which time he made Solemn Profession (July, 1951). Following that Berard spent two years at Serra Retreat. Then he went into parish ministry, where he was given more responsibility and felt happier. He was six years at Ascension, Portland. By this time we were well into the '60's and things were starting to loosen up; for one thing, lay brothers were starting to be judged by their talents rather than their rung on the ladder. Still, it was a breakthrough that, when he moved to St Anne's (1968), he was given charge of Religious Education- and even more so that, when he went to St Francis, Provo (1971), he went as Parish Associate.

In 1978 he joined the novitiate staff in Oakland in addition to heading up the ministry to the aged and infirmed for St Elizabeth parish. The following year he was elected to the first of three terms as Definitor. At the same time he became Vocations Secretary and, a post he held for over twenty years, editor of *Westfriars*. Then he became Provincial Vocations Director and Promoter for SAS (1980).

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Despite a highly distinguished "career" in the Province and his universal popularity, Berard spent a lot of his life not feeling very good about himself. Maybe part was temperament, part of his Irishness. And maybe there was something in his early rearing. But I do know his experience at SAS and his early years in the Order had a lot to do with it. When he failed Latin, he felt he'd failed, period. And the stratified structure of community kept the laics on the bottom or close to it at least his first dozen years as a friar. (In partial defense of our teachers and superiors, it's the only thing they'd ever known). For the sensitive, it was devastating.

Yet Berard turned it to gold. He rose above resentment to be, not just loyal, but a cheerleader for the friars, the Province, the Order. His primary weapon was story. He was an Irish gossip and teller of tales. He had a million anecdotes, especially about the older guys (maybe because even at 16 he thought he was 60), filled with wit and wisdom.

More important, schooled in his own pain, he constantly took time to listen to and affirm others. He was particularly sensitive to the sensitive, and did something about it.

Fortunately, by the end he'd learned the most important of all truths: that others can actually love us. While remaining a mystery, it's no less true. This isn't something we can teach ourselves; we can only give it to one another. And that seems the way it's supposed to be.

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Dear Friars

So sorry to hear of Br. Berend's passing away. He always told me he wanted to be buried in our little cemetery here in St. Urband, but I guess it was not to be. He was a great brother, maybe because he was one of my kind. Just a good honest, old fashion person that you could talk to. Not like today when I think men of the cloth just use their authority too much and the common person just has to listen.

Any way I guess I'm to old fashion to keep up with all the modern ways.

I thank you for the letter and picture and I'll always remember Br. Berend. The check ain't much but they ^{say} never pebble of sand makes a beach.

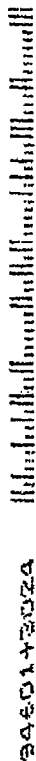
Thank you and God
bless all you friars.

Herman & Mary
Van Ritz

H. Van Ritz
565 Meier Rd
Winlock, Wa. 98596



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1500 34th Ave.
Oakland, California
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BERARD WILLIAM CONNOLLY
1928-1999

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felt he'd failed, period. And the stratified structure of community kept the laics on the bottom or close to it for at least his first dozen years as a friar. (In partial defense of our teachers and superiors, it's the only thing they'd ever known.) For the sensitive, it was devastating.

Yet Berard turned it to gold. He rose above resentment to be, not just loyal, but a cheerleader for the friars, the Province, the Order. His primary weapon was story. He was an Irish gossip and teller of tales. He had a million anecdotes, especially about the older guys (maybe because even at 16 he thought he was 60), filled with wit and wisdom.

More important, schooled in his own pain, he constantly took time to listen to and affirm others. He was particularly sensitive to the sensitive, and did something about it.

Fortunately, by the end he'd learned that most important of all truths: that others can actually love us remains a mystery, but it's no less true for that. This isn't something we can teach ourselves; we can only give it to one another. And that seems the way it's supposed to be.

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Certificate



of



Baptism

Church of

St. Bonaventure
San Francisco

This is to Certify

That William Francis Connolly

Child of Francis Connolly

and Madeira Daly

born in San Francisco

on the 26 day of February, 1925

was

Baptised

on the 13 day of May, 1928

According to the Rite of the Roman Catholic Church

by the Rev. J. W. McElroy, Jr.

the Sponsors being } James Daly
 } Florence Daly

as appears from the Baptismal Register of this Church

DATED August 2 1940

J. W. McElroy, Jr.
Pastor.

THE MCCOY COMPANY, SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.

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DIRECTIVE TO PHYSICIANS

DIRECTIVE made this 6th day of November, 1988.

I, BERARD WILLIAM CONNOLLY, being of sound mind, willfully and voluntarily make known my desire that my life shall not be artificially prolonged under the circumstance set forth below, and do hereby declare that:

- (A) If, at any time, I should have an incurable injury, disease or illness, certified to be a terminal condition by two (2) physicians, and where the application of life-sustaining procedures would serve only to artificially prolong the moment of my death, and where my physician(s) determine(s) that my death is imminent whether or not life-sustaining procedures are utilized, I direct that such procedures be withheld or withdrawn, and that I be permitted to die naturally.
- (B) In the absence of my ability to give directions regarding the use of such life-sustaining procedures, it is my intention that this directive shall be honored by my family* and physician(s) as the final expression of my legal right to refuse medical or surgical treatment, and I accept the consequences from such refusal. *and the Provincial Minister of the St. Barbara Province of the Order of Friars Minor, (Franciscan Friars of California, Inc.)
- (C) I understand the full import of this directive, and I am emotionally and mentally competent to make this directive.

Berard W. Connolly

Declaror

The Declaror has been personally known to me, and I believe said Declaror to be of sound mind.

Stanford M. Hartzell
Clay M. Hartzell

STATE OF WASHINGTON)

SS
COUNTY OF Lewis)

Pursuant to the provisions of RCW 70.122.030, the witnesses herein named, at the request of the Declaror herein, BERARD WILLIAM CONNOLLY, after being first duly sworn on oath, depose and say :

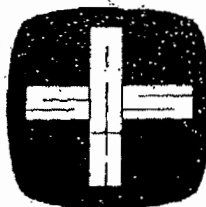
That they, CLAY HARTZEL and WINN HARTZEL, are of lawful age and reside in Lewis County, Washington; that each of them knew said Declaror on the date executed Directive to Physicians, to which this affidavit is appended; that said Declaror signed this Directive to Physicians on the 6th day of November, 1988, the day it bears date, in our presence and in the presence of each other, and requested us in attestation thereof to sign the same as witnesses, which was done all in the presence of each other. That at the time of execution of said Directive to Physicians, the said Declaror was over the age of eighteen years, and was emotionally and mentally competent to make said Directive. Furthermore, as to themselves, these witnesses state that at the time of signing of said Directive by the Declaror, these witnesses were not related to Declaror by blood or marriage; that they were not entitled to any portion of the estate of said Declaror upon Declaror's decease under any will of the Declaror or any codicil thereto then existing at the time of the Directive, by operation of law then existing; neither of said witnesses was the attending physician of the Declaror, an employee of the attending physician, or a health facility in which the Declaror is a patient; neither witness had a claim against any portion of the estate of the Declaror upon Declaror's decease.

Clay M. Hartzel
Winn M. Hartzel

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 7 day of Nov, 1988.

William H. Bray
Notary Public in and for the State of
Washington residing at *Seattle*
My commission expires *May 1992*

st. anthony's seminary



high school

Should the time come, I do not wish any "extraordinary" means used to prolong my life - in other words, pull the plug!

For my funeral may I please have the following:

- 1) a closed casket - no viewing
- 2) the Oregon State Flag on my casket. Flag is with my "wordly goods."
- 3) a non-concelebrated Mass. One priest is sufficient.

February 11, 1986

Deran J. Connolly

witness: *Stephen E. Keenan, OFM*

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franciscan friars ■ 2300 garden street ■ santa barbara ■ california ■ 93105

FRANCISCAN FRIARS PROVINCE OF SAINT BARBARA

7-25-90

NOTIFICATION OF NEXT OF KIN (please print/type)

CONNOLLY Berard William
Last Name Christian (Religious) Middle
Birthdate February 26, 1928 Birthplace San Francisco, CA
Social Security # [REDACTED] Drivers License # [REDACTED] State AZ

Address of two (2) persons to notify in case of sickness/death:

1)

2)

Do you belong to another Province? If so, which? n/a

Please carry your Insurance ID card with you.

Your medical doctor (MD) Michael I. Fuchs, MD

Your Dr.'s Address and Phone 5200 E. Grant Rd #507 Tucson, AZ 881-0434

Blood Type: ? Medical Allergies None I know of

Your Insurance Carrier HMO ARIZONA - Blue Cross/Shield of Arizona 7206 - [REDACTED]

Have you made a last testament? If so, you are asked to attach a copy to this form and send it to the Provincial Office.

Additional copies of this request/testament should remain with you and with the local Guardian. When you are reassigned, your new Guardian should get a copy of this testament.

1500 thirty-fourth Avenue
Oakland CA 94601

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Provincial Minister (415) 536-3122
Provincial Office (415) 536-1266

FRANCISCAN FRIARS PROVINCE OF SAINT BARBARA

NOTIFICATION OF NEXT OF KIN (please print/type)

CONNOLLY	BERARD	WILLIAM
Last Name	Christian (Religious)	Middle
Birthdate 2-26-28	Birthplace San Francisco, CA	(USA)
Social Security # [REDACTED]	Drivers License # [REDACTED]	State CA

Address of two (2) persons to notify in case of sickness/death:

1)

DEATH ONLY

2)

so, DEATH ONLY

Do you belong to another Province? If so, which?

Please carry your Insurance ID card with you.

Your medical doctor (MD) Dr. Benedict Carota, MD

Your Dr.'s Address and Phone 901 Sunset Dr #2, Hollister, CA 95023 408-6377-1855

Blood Type: _____ Medical Allergies None I know of (diabetic)

Your Insurance Carrier RETA - Diocese of Monterey

Have you made a last testament? If so, you are asked to attach a copy to this form and send it to the Provincial Office.

Additional copies of this request/testament should remain with you and with the local Guardian. When you are reassigned, your new Guardian should get a copy of this testament.

1500 thirty-fourth Avenue
Oakland CA 94601

O.F.M. CONN 1
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Provincial Minister (415) 536-3722
Provincial Office (415) 536-1266

Do you have special requests for your funeral service/arrangements? E.g., special hymns, type of music, homilist, closed casket, a family member or friend to help with the funeral? Any other wishes you might have that will help those planning the funeral.

- 1) Closed casket, no homily, no concelebration, O'Odham choir, Oregon flag on casket
- 2) If Article #3 of the Johannine Constitutions (September 17, 1987) is still in effect, please do not use "O.F.M." when referring to me or on any marker
- 3) Should I die in Tucson: I do not want to be buried in a Tucson cemetery. Please cremate me and place my ashes in the desert, on Tohono O'Odham land.
- 4) Please pray for me as we pray for all sinners at the hour of death.

Are there any personal items you want given to your family?

- 1) Should any donation be made, please give it to Hogar Paz y Bien, Guaymas

Do you have insurance policies, pensions, veteran's benefits, etc.? If so, please list.

No

If you have a bank account by reason of ministry, who is the co-signer on the account?
(Any individual friar account must have at least one other friar as a co-signer.)

WESTFRIARS - Mike Dallmeier is co-signer

In the event of a Friar's death, the Guardian should secure the Friar's room. All documents and personal effects should be sent to the Franciscan Province of St. Barbara Archives. If you have a file in your room for "sensitive" materials, please provide instructions for its disposal. Family photographs and other items not needed for Provincial History, may be given by the Provincial Archivist to the next of kin who requests them.

Signature of Friar



Date July 25, 1990

A copy of this document goes to the Provincial Office and a copy remains with the local Guardian.

A PERSONAL STATEMENT OF FAITH

I believe that every person is created by God as an individual of value and dignity. My basic worth and value as a person is inherent in the relationship of love that God has for me and not in my usefulness in society.

I believe that God has endowed me as His creature with the responsibility and privilege of sharing with God in the dominion over my earthly existence. I believe in the sanctity of human life which is to be celebrated in the spirit of creative living because it does have worth, meaning, and purpose. Therefore, I am responsible to use all ordinary means to preserve my life.

I further believe, however, that every human life is given dignity in dying, as well as in living. Therefore, I am free to refuse artificial and heroic measures to prolong my dying. I affirm my human right which allows me to die my own death within the limits of social, legal and spiritual factors.

I believe I have the right to die with dignity -- respected, cared for, loved and inspired by hope. I consider as unjust the continuation of artificial and mechanical life support systems through expensive medical and technological means when there is no reasonable expectation for my recovery of meaningful personal life.

In order to avoid the useless prolongation of my dying and the suffering of my loved ones, I, Berard W. Connolly, have executed the following Directive to Physicians.

Signed: Berard William Connolly

Date: May 10, 1993

Directive to Physicians

Directive made this Tenth day of
May, 19⁹³. I,
Berard William Connolly,
residing in the County of San Benito, State of
California, being of sound
mind, willfully and voluntarily make known my desire that my life
shall not be artificially prolonged under the circumstances set
forth below and do hereby declare:

1. If at any time I should have an incurable injury,
disease, or illness certified to be a terminal condition by two
physicians, and where the application of life-sustaining
procedures would serve only to artificially prolong the moment of
my death and where my physician determines that my death is
imminent whether or not life-sustaining procedures are utilized,
I direct that such procedures be withheld or withdrawn, and that
I be permitted to die naturally.

2. If at any time I am in a persistent vegetative state
or chronic coma and two physicians, one of whom is my attending
physician, certify that my state is unlikely to reverse, I direct
that all artificial nutrition and hydration, as well as other
life-sustaining procedures, be withheld or withdrawn.

3. In the absence of my ability to give directions
regarding the use of such life-sustaining procedures, it is my
intention that this directive shall be honored by my family and

physician(s) as the final expression of my legal right to refuse medical or surgical treatment and accept the consequences from such refusal.

4. I have been diagnosed and notified at least 14 days ago as having a terminal condition by

_____, M.D., whose address is _____, _____, and whose telephone number is _____. I understand that if I have not filled in the physician's name and address, it shall be presumed that I did not have a terminal condition when I made out this directive.

5. This directive shall have no force or effect five years from the date filled in above.

6. I understand the full import of this directive and I am emotionally and mentally competent to make this directive.

Executed this 10th day of May, 1993, at
(city, county and state) San Juan Bautista, San Benito County, California

Signed: Berard William Connolly

Statement of Witnesses

We declare that the principal is personally known to us,
that the principal signed or acknowledged the principal's
signature on this Directive to Physicians in our presence, and
that the principal appears to be of sound mind and not under
duress, fraud or undue influence.

Richard McManus Jr.
Signature

RICHARD MC MANUS
Print Name

May 10, 19 93
Date

549 MISSION VINEYARD RD
Address

SAN JUAN BAPTISTA, CA 95045

Ruth E. Ward
Signature

RUTH E. WARD
Print Name

May 10, 19 93
Date

549 Mission Vineyard Rd.
Address

San Juan Bautista, Ca. 95045

STATUTORY FORM DURABLE POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR
HEALTH CARE

(California Civil Code Section 2500)

WARNING TO PERSON EXECUTING THIS DOCUMENT

THIS IS AN IMPORTANT LEGAL DOCUMENT WHICH IS AUTHORIZED BY THE KEENE HEALTH CARE AGENT ACT. BEFORE EXECUTING THIS DOCUMENT, YOU SHOULD KNOW THESE IMPORTANT FACTS:

THIS DOCUMENT GIVES THE PERSON YOU DESIGNATE AS YOUR AGENT (THE ATTORNEY IN FACT) THE POWER TO MAKE HEALTH CARE DECISIONS FOR YOU. YOUR AGENT MUST ACT CONSISTENTLY WITH YOUR DESIRES AS STATED IN THIS DOCUMENT OR OTHERWISE MADE KNOWN.

EXCEPT AS YOU OTHERWISE SPECIFY IN THIS DOCUMENT, THIS DOCUMENT GIVES YOUR AGENT THE POWER TO CONSENT TO YOUR DOCTOR NOT GIVING TREATMENT OR STOPPING TREATMENT NECESSARY TO KEEP YOU ALIVE.

NOTWITHSTANDING THIS DOCUMENT, YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO MAKE MEDICAL AND OTHER HEALTH CARE DECISIONS FOR YOURSELF SO LONG AS YOU CAN GIVE INFORMED CONSENT WITH RESPECT TO THE PARTICULAR DECISION. IN ADDITION, NO TREATMENT MAY BE GIVEN TO YOU OVER YOUR OBJECTION AT THE TIME, AND HEALTH CARE NECESSARY TO KEEP YOU ALIVE MAY NOT BE STOPPED OR WITHHELD IF YOU OBJECT AT THE TIME.

THIS DOCUMENT GIVES YOUR AGENT AUTHORITY TO CONSENT, TO REFUSE TO CONSENT, OR TO WITHDRAW CONSENT TO ANY CARE, TREATMENT, SERVICE, OR PROCEDURE TO MAINTAIN, DIAGNOSE, OR TREAT A PHYSICAL OR MENTAL CONDITION. THIS POWER IS SUBJECT TO ANY STATEMENT OF YOUR DESIRES AND ANY LIMITATIONS THAT YOU INCLUDE IN THIS DOCUMENT. YOU MAY STATE IN THIS DOCUMENT ANY TYPES OF TREATMENT THAT YOU DO NOT DESIRE. IN ADDITION, A COURT CAN TAKE AWAY THE POWER OF YOUR AGENT TO MAKE HEALTH CARE DECISIONS FOR YOU IF YOUR AGENT (1) AUTHORIZES ANYTHING THAT IS ILLEGAL, (2) ACTS CONTRARY TO YOUR KNOWN DESIRES, OR (3) WHERE YOUR DESIRES ARE NOT KNOWN, DOES ANYTHING THAT IS CLEARLY CONTRARY TO YOUR BEST INTERESTS.

UNLESS YOU SPECIFY A SHORTER PERIOD IN THIS DOCUMENT, THIS POWER WILL EXIST FOR SEVEN YEARS FROM THE DATE YOU EXECUTE AND, IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO MAKE HEALTH CARE DECISIONS FOR YOURSELF AT THE TIME WHEN THIS SEVEN-YEAR PERIOD ENDS, THIS POWER WILL CONTINUE TO EXIST UNTIL THE TIME WHEN YOU BECOME ABLE TO MAKE HEALTH CARE DECISIONS FOR YOURSELF.

YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REVOKE THE AUTHORITY OF YOUR AGENT BY NOTIFYING YOUR AGENT OR YOUR TREATING DOCTOR, HOSPITAL, OR OTHER HEALTH CARE PROVIDER ORALLY OR IN WRITING OF THE REVOCATION.

YOUR AGENT HAS THE RIGHT TO EXAMINE YOUR MEDICAL RECORDS AND TO CONSENT TO THEIR DISCLOSURE UNLESS YOU LIMIT THIS RIGHT IN THIS DOCUMENT.

UNLESS YOU OTHERWISE SPECIFY IN THIS DOCUMENT, THIS DOCUMENT GIVES YOUR AGENT THE POWER AFTER YOU DIE TO (1) AUTHORIZE AN AUTOPSY, (2) DONATE YOUR BODY OR PARTS THEREOF FOR TRANSPLANT OR THERAPEUTIC OR EDUCATIONAL OR SCIENTIFIC PURPOSES, AND (3) DIRECT THE DISPOSITION OF YOUR REMAINS.

THIS DOCUMENT REVOKES ANY PRIOR DURABLE POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR HEALTH CARE.

YOU SHOULD CAREFULLY READ AND FOLLOW THE WITNESSING PROCEDURE DESCRIBED AT THE END OF THIS FORM. THIS DOCUMENT WILL NOT BE VALID UNLESS YOU COMPLY WITH THE WITNESSING PROCEDURE.

IF THERE IS ANYTHING IN THIS DOCUMENT THAT YOU DO NOT UNDERSTAND, YOU SHOULD ASK A LAWYER TO EXPLAIN IT TO YOU.

YOUR AGENT MAY NEED THIS DOCUMENT IMMEDIATELY IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY THAT REQUIRES A DECISION CONCERNING YOUR HEALTH CARE. EITHER KEEP THIS DOCUMENT WHERE IT IS IMMEDIATELY AVAILABLE TO YOUR AGENT AND ALTERNATIVE AGENTS OR GIVE EACH OF THEM AN EXECUTED COPY OF THE DOCUMENT. YOU MAY ALSO WANT TO GIVE YOUR DOCTOR AN EXECUTED COPY OF THIS DOCUMENT.

DO NOT USE THIS FORM IF YOU ARE A CONSERVATEE UNDER THE LANTERMAN-PETRIS-SHORT ACT AND YOU WANT TO APPOINT YOUR CONSERVATOR AS YOUR AGENT. YOU CAN DO THAT ONLY IF THE APPOINTMENT DOCUMENT INCLUDES A CERTIFICATE OF YOUR ATTORNEY.

1. DESIGNATION OF HEALTH CARE AGENT. I,

Berard W. Connolly, St. Francis Retreat, PO 1070, San Juan
Bautista, San Benito County, California

(Insert your name and address) do hereby designate and appoint

(Insert name, address, and telephone number of one individual only as your agent to make health care decisions for you. None of the following may be designated as your agent: (1) your treating health care provider, (2) a nonrelative employee of your treating health care provider, (3) an operator of a community care facility, (4) a nonrelative employee of an operator of a residential care facility, (5) an operator of a residential care facility for the elderly, or (6) a nonrelative employee of an operator of a residential care facility for the elderly.)

as my attorney in fact (agent) to make health care decisions for me as authorized in this document. For the purposes of this

document, "health care decision" means consent, refusal of consent, or withdrawal of consent to any care, treatment, service, or procedure to maintain, diagnose, or treat an individual's physical or mental condition.

2. CREATION OF DURABLE POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR HEALTH CARE. By this document I intend to create a durable power of attorney for health care under Section 2430 to 2443, inclusive, of the California Civil Code. This power of attorney is authorized by the Keene Health Care Agent Act and shall be construed in accordance with the provisions of Sections 2500 to 2506, inclusive, of the California Civil Code. This power of attorney shall not be affected by my subsequent incapacity.

3. GENERAL STATEMENT OF AUTHORITY GRANTED. Subject to any limitations in this document, I hereby grant to my agent full power and authority to make health care decisions for me to the same extent that I could make such decisions for myself if I had the capacity to do so. In exercising this authority, my agent shall make health care decisions that are consistent with my desires as stated in this document or otherwise made known to my agent, including, but not limited to, my desires concerning obtaining or refusing or withdrawing life-prolonging care, treatment, services, and procedures.

(If you want to limit the authority of your agent to make health care decisions for you, you can state the limitations in paragraph 4 ("Statement of Desires, Special Provisions, and Limitations") below. You can indicate your desires by including a statement of your desires in the same paragraph.)

Subject to any limitations in this document, I hereby grant to my agent full power and authority to substitute one or more attorneys to act under him and in his stead, separately and individually, and to renew, revoke, limit or confine any such substitute or substitutions. Notwithstanding the foregoing, my agent shall not have the power to appoint as a successor anyone who is prohibited by statute from serving as my attorney in fact.

If any part of this clause is deemed invalid, the remainder of this clause shall remain in full force and effect.

4. STATEMENT OF DESIRES, SPECIAL PROVISIONS, AND LIMITATIONS.

Your agent must make health care decisions that are consistent with your known desires. You can, but are not required to, state your desires in the space provided below. You should consider whether you want to include a statement of your desires concerning life-prolonging care, treatment, services, and procedures. You can also include a statement of your desires concerning other matters relating to your health care. You can

also make your desires known to your agent by discussing your desires with your agent or by some other means. If there are any types of treatment that you do not want to be used, you should state them in the space below. If you want to limit in any other way the authority given your agent by this document, you should state the limits in the space below. If you do not state any limits, your agent will have broad powers to make health care decisions for you, except to the extent that there are limits provided by law.)

In exercising the authority under this durable power of attorney for health care, my agent shall act consistently with my desires as stated below and is subject to the special provisions and limitations stated below:

(a) Statement of desires concerning life-prolonging care, treatment, services, and procedures: I ask that no means be taken which will prolong my life should quality of life be in question. No "re-starts, artificial feeding or breath giving functions." In other words, "Pull the plug." I want to die with dignity and with a minimum of expense. I look forward to heaven.

(b) Additional statement of desires, special provisions, and limitations: Disposition: A simple Mass of Resurrection at St. Francis Retreat, San Juan Bautista. Cremation with my ashes slipped into the earth on the Tohono O'odham Reservation, Arizona. The old cemetery at San Xavier del Ba:c would be OK. Please see enclosure.

(You may attach additional pages if you need more space to complete your statement. If you attach additional pages, you must date and sign EACH of the additional pages at the same time you date and sign this document).

5. INSPECTION AND DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION RELATING TO MY PHYSICAL OR MENTAL HEALTH. Subject to any limitations in this document, my agent has the power and authority to do all of the following:

(a) Request, review, and receive any information verbal or written, regarding my physical or mental health, including, but not limited to, medical and hospital records.

(b) Execute on my behalf any releases or other documents that may be required in order to obtain this information.

(c) Consent to the disclosure of this information.

(If you want to limit the authority of your agent to receive and disclose information relating to your health, you must state the limitations in paragraph 4 ("Statement of Desires, Special Provisions, and Limitations") above.)

ineligible to act as your agent. If the agent you designated is your spouse, he or she becomes ineligible to act as your agent if your marriage is dissolved.)

If the person designated as my agent in paragraph 1 is not available or becomes ineligible to act as my agent to make a health care decision for me or loses the mental capacity to make health care decisions for me, or if I revoke that person's appointment or authority to act as my agent to make health care decisions for me, then I designate and appoint the following persons to serve as my agent to make health care decisions for me as authorized in this document, such persons to serve in the order listed below:

A. First Alternate Agent

(Insert name, address, and telephone number of first alternate agent)

B. Second Alternate Agent Richard McManus, PO 1070, San Juan Bautista, CA 95045 408-623-4234

(Insert name, address, and telephone number of second alternate agent)

10. NOMINATION OF CONSERVATOR OF PERSON.

(A conservator of the person may be appointed for you if a court decides that one should be appointed. The conservator is responsible for your physical care, which under some circumstances includes making health care decisions for you. You are not required to nominate a conservator, but you may do so. The court will appoint the person you nominate unless that would be contrary to your best interests. You may, but are not required to, nominate as your conservator the same person you named in paragraph 1 as your health care agent. You can nominate an individual as your conservator by completing the space below.)

If a conservator of the person is to be appointed for me, I nominate the following individual to serve as conservator of the person Richard McManus, PO 1070, San Juan Bautista, CA 95045

(Insert name and address of person nominated as conservator of the person)

11. PRIOR DESIGNATIONS REVOKED. I revoke any prior durable power of attorney for health care.

DATE AND SIGNATURE OF PRINCIPAL
(YOU MUST DATE AND SIGN THIS POWER OF ATTORNEY)

I sign my name to this Statutory Form Durable Power of Attorney for Health Care on May 10, 1993 (Date) at San Juan Bautista, (city) California (State).

Bernard W. Connolly
(You sign here)

(THIS POWER OF ATTORNEY WILL NOT BE VALID UNLESS IT IS SIGNED BY TWO QUALIFIED WITNESSES WHO ARE PRESENT WHEN YOU SIGN OR ACKNOWLEDGE YOUR SIGNATURE. IF YOU HAVE ATTACHED ANY ADDITIONAL PAGES TO THIS FORM, YOU MUST DATE AND SIGN EACH OF THE ADDITIONAL PAGES AT THE SAME TIME YOU DATE AND SIGN THIS POWER OF ATTORNEY.)

STATEMENT OF WITNESSES

(This document must be witnessed by two qualified adult witnesses. None of the following may be used as a witness: (1) a person you designate as your agent or alternate agent, (2) a health care provider, (3) an employee of a health care provider, (4) the operator of a community care facility, (5) an employee of an operator of a community care facility, (6) the operator of a residential care facility for the elderly, or (7) an employee of an operator of a residential care facility for the elderly. At least one of the witnesses must make the additional declaration set out following the place where the witnesses sign.)

(READ CAREFULLY BEFORE SIGNING. You can sign as a witness only if you personally know the principal or the identity of the principal is proved to you by convincing evidence.)

(To have convincing evidence of the identity of the principal, you must be presented with and reasonably rely on any one or more of the following:

(1) An identification card or driver's license issued by the California Department of Motor Vehicles that is current or has been issued within five years.

(2) A passport issued by the Department of State of the United States that is current or has been issued within five years.

(3) Any of the following documents if the document is current or has been issued within five years and contains a photograph and description of the person named on it, is signed by the person, and bears a serial or other identifying number:

(a) A passport issued by a foreign government that has been stamped by the United States Immigration and Naturalization Service.

(b) A driver's license issued by a state other than California or by a Canadian or Mexican public agency authorized to issue drivers' licenses.

(c) An identification card issued by any branch of the armed forces of the United States.

(4) If the principal is a patient in a skilled nursing facility, a witness who is a patient advocate or ombudsman may rely upon the representations of the administrator or staff of the skilled nursing facility, or of family members, as convincing evidence of the identity of the principal if the patient advocate or ombudsman believes that the representations provide a reasonable basis for determining the identity of the principal.)

(Other kinds of proof of identity are not allowed.)

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of California that the person who signed or acknowledged this document is personally known to me (or proved to me on the basis of convincing evidence) to be the principal, that the principal signed or acknowledged this durable power of attorney in my presence, that the principal appears to be of sound mind and under no duress, fraud, or undue influence, that I am not the person appointed as attorney in fact by this document, and that I am not a health care provider, an employee of a health care provider, the operator of a community care facility, an employee of an operator of a community care facility, the operator of a residential care facility for the elderly, nor an employee of an operator of a residential care facility for the elderly.

Signature: Richard McManus Residence Address: _____

Print Name: RICHARD McMANUS 549 MISSION VINEYARD RD

Date: MAY 10, 1993 SAN JUAN BAPTISTA, CA 95045

Signature: Ruth E. Ward Residence Address: _____

Print Name: RUTH E. WARD 549 Mission Vineyard Rd.

Date: May 10, 1993 San Juan Bautista, Ca. 95045

(AT LEAST ONE OF THE ABOVE WITNESSES MUST ALSO SIGN THE FOLLOWING DECLARATION.)

I further declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of California that I am not related to the principal by blood, marriage, or adoption, and, to the best of my knowledge, I am not entitled to any part of the estate of the principal upon the death of the principal under a will now existing or by operation of law.

Signature Rickard M. Manner

Signature Ruth E. Ward

STATEMENT OF PATIENT ADVOCATE OR OMBUDSMAN

(If you are a patient in a skilled nursing facility, one of the witnesses must be a patient advocate or ombudsman. The following statement is required only if you are a patient in a skilled nursing facility -- a health care facility that provides the following basic services: skilled nursing care and supportive care to patients whose primary need is for availability of skilled nursing care on an extended basis. The patient advocate or ombudsman must sign both parts of the "Statement of Witnesses" above AND must also sign the following statement.)

I further declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of California that I am a patient advocate or ombudsman as designated by the State Department of Aging and that I am serving as a witness as required by subdivision (f) of Section 2432 of the Civil Code.

Signature: _____

CODICIL

I, Berard William Connolly, do include this codicil.

Health Care

1) My feelings regarding extraordinary health care are well known to my confreres. I ask that no such means be used for me as my death approaches and/or the quality of my life is diminished so I am in a vegetative state dependent on the services of others.

2) My brothers have already spent many thousands of dollars on my physical and mental health. I consider money spent on force-feeding and life sustaining efforts something I do not wish.

3) I welcome Sister Death with the assurance that Mary, the Mother of my God is with me now and will be with me at the hour of my death.

Funeral Request

1) Again, my concern for my funeral is well known. This codicil replaces any funeral arrangements made before.

2) I presume I will die while stationed at St. Francis Retreat, San Juan Bautista, CA. I ask that a simple Mass of Christian Burial be offered for me in the St. Paschal Baylon Chapel.

I ask to be cremated.

I ask that my ashes be quietly placed into the ground of the Tohono O'odham Reservation, Arizona. Anywhere on the land of the O'odham, including the Old Cemetery at Mission San Xavier del Bac, Tucson, Arizona, will be fine.

To the Secretary of the Province at the time of my death

1) I ask that if at all possible there be little or no mention of my death and with all my heart ask that my name and vita be omitted from the Province Necrology.

In conclusion

1) Who knows when these requests will be called for; those who knew me in life, and loved me, know for sure I will haunt them if my wishes are not carried out.

2) There is a "testament" in my personal files at St. Francis Retreat, San Juan Bautista.

Witness:

Reuben M. [Signature]
Ruth E. [Signature]

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Berard W. Connolly
May 10, 1993

TO MY FAMILY AND FRIENDS:

It is my firm conviction that my life as a Friar has meaning and value in any circumstance that occurs if I become disabled, incapacitated, or incompetent. My decision to join the Order of Friars Minor was a free choice and is one that has been constantly reaffirmed over time by my free choice to live this life. For this reason I have chosen to appoint a member of the Order of Friars Minor as my attorney in fact to make health care decisions for me in the event that I am unable to make those decisions myself. My attorney in fact may consult with my family and friends about my health care, and I encourage such consultation, but I expect my family and friends to honor my desires as expressed by my attorney in fact. This desire in no way manifests a lack of love for my family or friends; rather, it is an expression of confidence in my attorney in fact to act in accord with my known desires.

Accepting death with responsibility and human dignity is in keeping with the Creator's plan. Talking about sickness and death can be difficult, but it is part of our responsibility to ourselves and to the people we love. For this reason I, Berard W. Connolly, have executed the following Statutory Form Durable Power of Attorney for Health Care.

Signed: Berard W. Connolly

Date: May 10, 1993

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NOTIFICATIO

De Vestitione in ~~Primo~~-Tertio Ordine

Ad Min. Provlem Transmittenda

Nomen candidati:

Nomen ordinis:

Nomen baptismi:

Nomen familiae:

Nomen parentum:

Patris, nomen baptismi:

Matris, nomen baptismi et nativitatis (maiden-name):

Nativitatis:

Dies-mensis-annus:

Civitas, Dioecesis, Status:

Baptismi:

Dies-mensis-annus:

Ecclesia:

Civitas, Dioecesis, Status:

Vestitionis:

Dies-mensis-annus:

Locus:

Officiator:

Festum Patroni:

Dies-mensis:

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St. Charles Rectory
713 VAN NESS AVENUE, SOUTH
SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.

July 29, 1942.

This is to certify that His Excellency, the Most Reverend
Thomas A. Connolly, administered the Sacrament of Confirmation
to William Joseph Connolly, April 14, 1940, in St. Charles
Church.

(Signed) Edward J. Meagher.

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Certificate of Marriage



Church of

St. Dominic
San Francisco

This is to Certify

That Francis Connolly
and Modeline Bailey
were lawfully **Married**

on the 7th day of July 1942

According to the Rite of the Roman Catholic Church
and in conformity with the laws of the State of
California, Rev. Wm McElroy, O.P.
officiating, in the presence of William Fuselier
and Megdalen Nachtsattel Witnesses, as appears
from the Marriage Register of this Church.

Dated July 5, 1942

Len J. Halloran O.P.
Pastor

Entered San Luis Rey
as a Candidate on
Thursday Aug. 23rd
1945
(Still there)

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*Kindly
inform
on return
to Oakland*

J.M.J.F.

560 Scott St. apt.101
San Francisco, California
July 11, 1945

Very Rev. and dear Father,

Here is my application for admission
to the Franciscan Brotherhood. I hope it proves acceptable.

Father, you mentioned that you were driving
down to Mission San Luis Rey and offered to drive me
with you. This offer was most kind and I certainly
appreciate it. Father, have you any idea when you will
be going? Will you be going to the Mission toward the
end of August or the beginning of September?

Father, have you any information regarding
the clothing and so forth that I should bring with me
also, are there any laundry numbers to be sewn?

I realize that this letter reads like
a questionnaire but I do need the information, Father.

Gratefully

Bill Connolly

Deus Meus Et Omnia

H.B. (Telephone)

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Application For Admission

as a

FRANCISCAN BROTHER

in the

California Province of St. Barbara



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0039

NAME AND ADDRESS OF APPLICANT

Full Name William Francis Connolly

Street and Number 560 Scott St. apt. 101

City San Francisco

State California

Date of Application July 5, 1945

of birth February 26, 1928
 of birth San Francisco, California
 of father Francis R. Connolly
 of mother Madeline Daly
 do you have a guardian, give his name and address _____

did you ever convert to the Catholic Faith? No
 when? _____

do you ever join a non-Catholic sect? No

do you ever a novice or professed member of a Religious Community? No
 if? _____

did you leave? _____

do you ever denied admission to a Religious Community? No
 why? _____

do you wish to become a FRANCISCAN brother? The Franciscan seem to me to be the best - in holiness and piety. I feel that as a Brother I shall be very

how long have you thought of becoming a brother? For about
even months

is anyone dependent on you for support? No

what kind of work have you been engaged? Sacristan. Two years
in a Seminary and three summers in a parish church.
prefer this work to any other if there is an
opening.

14. Are you burdened with debts or contracts of any kind? No

15. Are you liable to be prosecuted in court for any reason? No

16. Do you carry any life insurance? Yes

If so, will the designated beneficiary agree to pay all premiums when due until date of your solemn vows? Yes

17. Have you ever been married? No If so, is your wife still alive? _____
 Are there any children living? _____

18. If accepted, will you, on your arrival, deposit sufficient money for your fare home - in case you leave? Yes

19. Who should be notified in case of accident, illness or death?
 (Give name and address) Madeline Connolly
560 Scott St. apt. 101
San Francisco, California

Sign your full name William Francis Connolly

N. B.—Applicant must supply the following testimonials:

- Certificate of Baptism.
- Certificate of Confirmation.
- Marriage certificate of parents.
- Letter of recommendation from his pastor or a priest who knows him well.
- Certificate of health. The enclosed medical blank should be filled out by the examining physician and mailed by him directly to:

THE VERY REVEREND PROVINCIAL
 1500-34TH AVENUE
 OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA

REPORT OF HISTORY AND PHYSICAL EXAMINATION FOR APPLICANTS TO THE FRANCISCAN ORDER

NOTE: This form is to be brought to your family physician, who will, upon completion, mail it directly to the Provincial of the Franciscan Order at ~~443 Golden Gate Avenue, San Francisco, California.~~

The examining physician in his own handwriting shall fill in the answer to every question as given by applicant or applicant's parents or guardian, or both.

The signature of the applicant and the applicant's parents or guardian is required at the bottom of this form, and shall be witnessed by the examining physician.

THIS FORM COMPLETED IS NOT TO BE GIVEN APPLICANT OR APPLICANT'S PARENTS OR GUARDIAN.

(1) Examining physician is entitled to make a charge of \$5.00 for the examination. Fee to be paid by the applicant.

(2) The information contained herein is confidential and should not be given into the possession of unauthorized persons.

Date and Place of Examination July 29. 1942 450 Sutter St. San Francisco

Name of Applicant William Connolly Age 14

Address 560 Scott St San Francisco. California.
(Street and Number) (Post Office) (State)

Parish Church St. Charles Address of Parish Church 713 Van Ness Ave South.

Name of Pastor Rev. Edw. Meagher

I FAMILY HISTORY

(Including parents, brothers, sisters, uncles, aunts, grandparents.)

1. Is there any history or evidence of:

(a) Tuberculosis? No

(b) Diabetes Mellitus? No

(c) Cancer? No

(d) Syphilis? No

(e) Mental Disorders? No

(f) Nervous Diseases? No

(h) Migraine? No

(i) Allergic Diseases? No

(j) Alcoholism? No

(k) Hemophilia? No

(l) Gout? No

(m) Any other hereditary diseases or malformations? No

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2. All above diseases affirmed must be explained fully, giving relationship of person affected, and other pertinent information relative to likelihood of hereditary defect in applicant.

II PAST HISTORY

I. Has applicant suffered from any of the following diseases:

(a) Scarlet Fever? No Age? _____

Were there any complications or sequelae? _____

(b) Diphtheria? No Age? _____

Were there any complications or sequelae? _____

(c) Tonsillitis? Yes Age? 3

Were there any complications or sequelae? No

(d) Rheumatic Fever? No Age? _____

Were there any complications or sequelae? _____

(e) Chorea? No Age? _____

Were there any complications or sequelae? _____

(f) Measles? Yes. Age? 7

Were there any complications or sequelae? No

(g) Whooping Cough? No Age? _____

Were there any complications or sequelae? _____

(h) Pleurisy? No Age? _____

Were there any complications or sequelae? _____

(i) Tuberculosis? No Age? _____

Were there any complications or sequelae? _____

(j) Pneumonia? No Age? _____

Were there any complications or sequelae? _____

(k) Typhoid Fever? No Age? _____

Were there any complications or sequelae? _____

(l) Malaria? No Age? _____

Were there any complications or sequelae? _____

(m) Influenza? No Age? _____

Were there any complications or sequelae? _____

(n) Amoebic Dysentery? No Age? _____

Were there any complications or sequelae? _____

(o) Gonorrhea? No Age? _____

Were there any complications or sequelae? _____

(p) Syphilis? No Age? _____

Were there any complications or sequelae? _____

2. Has applicant a history of having had or has he now:

(a) Fits, spasms, or convulsions? No

(b) Mental or nervous diseases, including nervous breakdown? _____

(c) Headaches? No

(d) Nausea and vomiting? No

(e) Lack of appetite? No

(f) Abdominal pain or cramps? No

(g) Appendicitis? No

(h) Jaundice? No

(i) Indigestion? No

(j) Pain in back? No

(k) Hematemesis? No

(l) Bloody stools? No

(m) Ulcer of stomach, duodenum, or intestine? No

(n) Chronic or recurrent diarrhea? No

(o) Frequent coughs and colds? No

(p) Hemoptysis? No

(q) Palpitation of the heart? No

(r) Irregularity of the pulse? No

(s) Breathlessness on exertion? No

(t) Swollen extremities? No

(u) Albumin in urine? No

(v) Sugar in urine? No

(w) Contact (living in same house) with a tuberculous person? _____

(x) Alcoholism? No

(y) Defects of hearing? No

(z) Defects of vision? No

(z) 1. Defective teeth? No

(z) 2. Deformities, congenital or acquired? No

Please explain fully cause of any of the above affirmed, whether or not applicant has recovered, manner and date of recovery, and whether recurrences may appear.

3. Has applicant ever been operated upon? Yes

For what purpose? Tonsillitis
Tonsillectomy + adenoidectomy

When? age 3

Were there complications? No

Were there any sequelae? No

4. Has applicant ever suffered from accidental injuries? No

When? _____

Character of injuries? _____

Sequelae? _____

Has applicant

(a) been vaccinated successfully against smallpox? Yes

When? 1936

(b) been immunized against diphtheria? Yes

When? 1940

(c) been immunized against scarlet fever? Yes

When? 1936

(d) been immunized against typhoid fever? No

When? _____

6. Is there anything unusual about behavior or demeanor of applicant or is there a history of unusual or abnormal behavior? _____

No

I certify that all answers above given are true to the best of my knowledge.

William Connally
Signature of Applicant
William Fritschel M.D.
Signature of Examining Physician
(Witness)

Francis A. Connolly
Signature of Parent or Guardian

III PHYSICAL EXAMINATION

General Appearance _____

normally developed and nourished
of normal height and weight

Weight without clothes 132 lbs.

Height without shoes 5 ft 8

Temperature 98.6 Pulse Rate 76 Respiration 20

Blood pressure, systolic 126 diastolic 80

Id: _____

Eyes: _____

Pupils normal

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Nose:

Septum slight elevation

Mucous membrane normal

Turbinates "

Ears:

Canals clear

Tympani normal

Mouth and Throat:

Tongue normal

Tonsils out

Teeth well kept + preserved

Gums normal

Mucous membranes normal

Pharynx "

Neck:

Lymphatic glands none

Thyroid gland normal

Chest:

Shape, etc. normal

Girth 31 1/2 inches

Abnormal pulsations, bulgings, or retractions no abnormality

Heart:

Enlargement? NO

Rhythm Regular

Murmurs? None

Location of murmurs? _____

Transmission of murmurs _____

Other abnormalities _____

Lungs:

Rales? None

Character of rales

Location

Areas of consolidation NoneCharacter of respiration normalOther abnormalities none

Abdomen:

Shape normalGirth 28 inchesLiver normalSpleen normalMasses noneOperation scars noneMuscular tenderness, spasms, or rigidity noneOther abnormalities none

Inguinal Regions:

Lymphatic glands? noneHernia? noneScars? none

Genitalia:

Penis:

Scars? noneUlceration? noneUrethral discharge? none

Testicles:

Epididymis? normalVaricocele? noneHydrocele? none

Extremities:

Loss of members? noneTremors? noneCyanosis? noneOedema? noneScars? noneClub fingers? noneVaricose veins? noneUlcers? noneDeformities? noneOther abnormalities? none

Peripheral Vessels:

Radial pulses:

Size normalForce "Rate 76Regularity normalRhythm "Synchronism "Sclerotic change noneVeins look very abnormal? noneOFM CONN 1
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Neuromuscular System:

Cranial nerves normal

Sensory nerves normal

Motor nerves normal

Reflexes, deep:

Knee jerks normal

Ankle jerks "

Triceps jerks "

Biceps jerks "

Wrist jerks "

Reflexes, superficial:

Cremasterics "

Plantars "

Abdominals "

Romberg sign neg.

Muscular tone good

Muscular development "

Muscular atrophies or hypertrophies none

Muscular asymmetries none

Skeletal System:

Bones normal

Joints "

Lymphatic glands:

Cervical none

Axillary none

Epitrochlears none

Inguinal none

Femoral none

Back:

Curvatures normal

Stiffness none

Scars none

Skin:

Color normal Texture "

Eruptions acne of face

Pigmentation none

Urine:

Color straw Specific gravity 1.020

Reaction acid Albumin 0

Sugar 0 Bile 0

Blood 0 Casts 0

Pus 0

I certify that I have written the answers to all above questions in my own handwriting and that I have completed the above examination and filled in all answers in my own handwriting.

William Fitchner M.D.

Signature of Examining Physician.

What is your opinion of this applicant's mental and physical condition, bearing in view the family history, past history and physical examination?

Applicant is in good physical and mental condition
is left handed -
acne of face should be treated

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Wm. Fitchner M.D.

DECLARATION AND RELEASE

NOTE: To be signed by candidate (Gen. Const. n. 37) on arrival and signature to be witnessed by two priests of the order.

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

That I, the undersigned, being about to enter the Roman Catholic religious order known as the ORDER OF FRIARS MINOR, (incorporated under the laws of the State of California as THE FRANCISCAN FATHERS OF CALIFORNIA, and hereinafter referred to as the "religious order"), do hereby attest and declare that I am entering said religious order voluntarily and of my own free will, and am not acting under force, coercion or undue influence of any kind.

That for good and sufficient consideration and in consideration of the benefits received and to be received as a candidate, postulant, novice or member of the said religious order, I am prepared to and hereby promise and agree to give without compensation all of my services freely and to perform any and all work required of me by my superior in said religious order; and that for myself and my heirs I do hereby waive and forever discharge any and all right or claim which I might otherwise have to any wages, compensation, remuneration, annuity, pension or reward for the time that I shall devote or for the services or work that I shall perform with or for said religious order during the time I remain in said order, and do hereby expressly release said religious order from any claim on account thereof.

I understand and agree that the provisions of the Rules and Discipline of said religious order, and the Articles of Incorporation and By-laws of The Franciscan Fathers of California, a California corporation, now in force and as hereafter amended, and the Canon Law of the Roman Catholic Church, and the substantive law of the State of California relating to the subject matter hereof are incorporated herein, and are to govern the interpretation and determine the legal effect of this instrument.

I do further certify that I have read and fully understand the foregoing instrument and that I sign and execute the same voluntarily.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto affixed my signature this 18 day of September, 1945, at San Luis Rey Seminary San Luis Rey California
(city, state)

ACCEPTED and signature witnessed on behalf of said religious order

BY...

BY...

PARENTAL WAIVER

We, the parents (guardians) of Bill Connolly
do hereby waive our rights to any and all services or value of services by him to
be rendered, and do hereby declare him to be legally emancipated.

DATED this 26 day of September, 19 45

Francis Q. Connolly
(Name of father or guardian)

Madeline R. Connolly
(Name of mother or guardian)

I do hereby ratify and affirm the foregoing Declaration and Release and do
hereby waive any and all right to any disaffirmance thereof.

DATED this 29 day of September, 19 45

Bill Connolly
(Name of candidate)

NOTIFICATIO

De Vestitione in Primo-Tertio Ordine

Ad Min. Provlem Transmittenda

Nomen candidati:

Nomen ordinis: Rerardus

Nomen baptismi: Gulielmus

Nomen familiae: Connolly

Nomen parentum:

Patris, nomen baptismi: Franciscus

Matris, nomen baptismi et nativitatis (maiden-name):

Madeline M. Daly

Nativitatis:

Dies-mensis-annus: 26 Februarii 1928

Civitas, Dioecesis, Status: Sti. Francisci - San Francisco - California

Baptismi:

Dies-mensis-annus: _____

Ecclesia: Sti Dominici,

Civitas, Dioecesis, Status: Sti. Francisci - San Francisco - California

Vestitionis:

Dies-mensis-annus: 11 Julii 1948

Locus: Conventus Sti. Michaelis - San Miguel - California

Officiator: A. R. P. Gregorius Wooler, O.F.M.

Festum Patroni:

Dies-mensis: 16 Januarii

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SAN LUIS REY SEMINARY
FRANCISCAN FATHERS

SAN LUIS REY, CALIFORNIA
April 26, 1948

Dear Father David,

The information you requested in regard to the four young Brothers, is herewith submitted. I hope it is complete. If more information is needed, let me know and I'll do what I can to obtain it for you. I might mention that a goodly number of documents relating to these Brothers are probably resting in the Provincial files in Oakland, for upon application the candidates are required to present certificates of Baptism, Confirmation, and marriage of parents, as well as a letter of recommendation and a health certificate.

1. Brother Berard

Secular name: William Francis Joseph Connolly
Father: Francis R. Connolly
Mother: Madeline M. Daly
Date of birth: February 26, 1928
Parish of parents at time of birth & baptism: St. Dominic's Church, San Francisco.
Parish of Baptism: St. Dominic's Church, San Francisco.
Morally continuous year (after age 14) spent in Old Mission Santa Barbara: July 1946-December 1947
Rev. Juniper Doolin knows brother well.

2. [REDACTED]

Secular name: [REDACTED]
Father: [REDACTED]
Mother: [REDACTED]
Birth: February 28, 1920
Parish of Parents at Baptism: St. Mary's, San Francisco.
Mother died when he was 4; at 5, his father turned him over to the care of his grandmother, who lived in St. Dominic's parish, Eagle Rock, California; he was baptized there when 6 years old. (If I recall rightly, his parents were "civilized conjunction", though one was Catholic. Cf. Provincial files.)

3. [REDACTED]

Secular name: [REDACTED]
Father: [REDACTED]
Mother: [REDACTED]
Birth: October 13, 1926 (Born in Mexico, while mother was on a visit there).
Parish at birth: St. Gertrude's Church, Stockton, California.
Baptised in Sacred Heart Church, El Paso, Texas (in 1927), while returning from Mexico to California.
After age 14: has lived in Stockton, Calif. (Rev. Fr. Almendares, who is now at St. Mary's in Oakland, knows him well.) Also has spent more than 2 years here at San Luis Rey. (Fr. Ralph knows him pretty well!)

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DECLARATION OF INTENTION
BEFORE INVESTITURE IN THE FIRST ORDER

(GEN. CONST., N. 37)



BY THESE PRESENTS I, Bro. Bernard William Connolly
declare that of my own free will I ask to be admitted to the Order of Friars Minor in the
Province of St. Barbara.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto subscribed my name this 10th day
of July in the year of our Lord 1942.

City San Miguel County San Luis Obispo
State California

(Signature) Bro. Bernard William Connolly

(Witness) Fr. Kevin P. Munn

(Witness) Bro. Anthony Fred Lavoie

Omnibus has Litteras Visuris

SALUTEM IN DOMINO.

Cum dilectus in Christo filius Guilielmus Franciscus Connolly
filius legitimus Francisci P. Connolly
ejusque uxoris Madelinae Daly
natus die 26^a mensis Februarii 1928, in Paroecia S. Dominici, San
Francisco, Calif., Dioecesis S. Francisci, commemoratus
in Archidieceesi Angelorum post completum
14^{um} annum ad habitum religiosum Ordinis Fratrum
Minorum qua laicus admitti intendat, Nos ad normam
Can. 544, § 2 et Can. 545, § 4 hisce Litteris juxta scientiam Nostram testamur,
eundem Guilielmum Franciscum Connolly
legitimis natalibus ortum, pie educatum, bonis moribus ornatum, in fide christiana
bene instructum, fama bona et conditione libera
gaudere, nunquam inquisitum, neque alia censura, irregularitate aut alio canonico
impedimento irretitum, vel reddendae rationi alicujus administrationis obnoxium esse:
eundem porro aere alieno non gravatum, nullis quoque promissionibus aut initis con-
tractibus impeditum, nec habituali morbo affectum existere, quibus omnibus fieret, ut
habitum religiosum Ordinis S. Francisci Seraphici suscipere non possit.

Datum in civitate Angelorum sub nostris Signo Sigilloque

Die 14 mensis Maii 1928

Archidiepes Angelorum
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CESSION OF ADMINISTRATION AND DISPOSITION OF USUFRUCT

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that I Berard Connolly OFM,
otherwise known as William Francis Connolly, now of San
Miguel in the County of San Luis Obispo
and the State of California

IN CONSIDERATION of the laws of the Roman Catholic Church concerning the administration of the property, its use and usufruct, of a member of a religious community acknowledged by said Roman Catholic Church (Codex Juris Can. 569,580),

First: Do hereby cede the administration of any and all property, whether real, personal or money which I now have or which may accrue to me therefrom, to Mrs. Madeline Connolly
now residing in the County of Alameda, State of California,
and I do hereby constitute and appoint him to be my attorney-in-fact for such administration giving unto him full power and authority to make all contracts and to do all other acts and things of every kind and nature whatsoever, necessary in and about said administration, including the sale and conveyance of real property, as effectually as I myself could do if personally present, and

Second: I do hereby ordain, declare and direct that all the use and usufruct of said property, to-wit: the interest, rents, income, securities, royalties, bonuses and all other benefits arising from or out of such property, shall be disposed of or expended by my said attorney-in-fact as he may see fit, according to his best judgment, and

STATE OF CALIFORNIA }
County of San Luis Obispo } ss.

On this Eleventh day of July in the year One Thousand Nine
Hundred and Forty-nine, before me, F. W. TUTIN, a
Notary Public, in and for the County of San Luis Obispo, personally
appeared Berard Connolly

known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed
to the within instrument, and he duly acknowledged
to me that he executed the same.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and
affixed my Official Seal, at my office in the County of San Luis Obispo,
the day and year in this certificate first above written.

F. W. Tutin

J. M. J. F.

Fr. Augustinus Hobrecht
Ordinis Fratrum Minorum
Provinciae S. Barbarae Minister Provincialis
Humilisque in Domino Servus

DILECTO IN CHRISTO

R. P. (V. F.) Berardo Connolly

Salutem et Pacem in Domino Sempiternam

Virtute Praesentium tibi mando, atque in meritum salutaris Obedientiae injungo ut, post harum litterarum receptionem, impedimento cessante legitimo, te quantocius transferas ex Conventu

nostro ad S. Michaellem, Archangelum,

San Miguel, California

ad Conventum nostrum ad S. Joseph, Los Angeles,

California

sub obedientia

R. P. Guardiani loci illius, de cetero moraturus, ac muneribus

fideliter functurus.

Cui te, sicut et reliquis illius Communitatis Patribus et Fratribus, quam possum carius in Domino commendo. Vale in Christo Jesu, Eumque pro me ora.

Datum in Conventu nostro ad S. Elizabeth,

Oakland, California

sub meo Chirographo Officii Sigillo Majori, die 20a

mensis Septembris anno 1949

Fr. Augustinus Hobrecht, O.F.M.
Qui Supra

Praedictus Pater (Frater) in locum destinationis suae pervenit: die 1^a

mensis Octobris anno 1949

Fr. Bernardus Hobrecht, O.F.M.
Superior

N. B.—Litterae Obedientiales coram Communitate legantur et statim, una cum ejusdem Patris (Fratris) "Friar-Relatives' Address Card", ad Ministrum Provincalem mittantur.

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RENUNCIATION
Before Solemn Profession

Place ... *Old Mission*
 San Luis Rey, California
Date .. *July 9th* .. *1952* ..

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

I, Frater-Brother (full name) .. *Berard William Connolly*
member of the Order of Friars Minor of the Province of St. Barbara, pursuant to
Ecclesiastical Canons (Can. 581), hereby freely renounce all right to any tem-
poral goods whatever, and I dispose of the goods which I actually possess, as
also of all goods which I may obtain by parental inheritance, in the manner
described in my LAST WILL executed in a separate document.

In confirmation of the above, I, Frater-Brother (full name) .. *Berard*
William Connolly, have to this Renunciation set my hand this
..... *9th* day of .. *July* in the year of our Lord Nineteen
Hundred and *Fifty-two*

Fr.-Bro. (full name) .. *Berard William Connolly* O.F.M.

Signed by the above-named Frater-Brother .. *Berard William*
Connolly in the presence of us who have
hereunto subscribed our names at his request, as witnesses thereto in the pres-
ence of the above-signed Frater-Brother .. *Berard William Connolly*
..... and of each other, this .. *9th*
day of .. *July*, 1952, at *San Luis Rey, California*

..... *Bro. Paul R. Beltrami, O.F.M.* Witness
Address .. *San Juan Bautista, Calif.*
..... *Fr. Anthony J. St. Omer, O.F.M.* Witness
Address .. *San Luis Rey, Calif.*

LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT

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IN THE NAME OF GOD. AMEN.

I, Brother Berard W. Connolly
otherwise known as William Francis Connolly, being of legal age,
of sound mind and memory, do hereby make, publish and declare this to be my last will and testament.

FIRST: I give, devise, and bequeath to

Mrs. Mathline Connolly, Mr. Francis Connolly,
Miss Dolores Daggett

all property, real, personal, and mixed, which I now possess or which I may hereafter acquire.

SECOND: I hereby nominate and appoint

Mrs. Mathline Connolly
as the executor of this will, without bond or inventory.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand this 9th day of

July, 1952.

(Signature) Berard William Connolly

Signed, published, and declared by the above named Berard William Connolly
otherwise known as William Francis Connolly, as he
last will and testament, in the presence of us, who in our presence and at his request, and in the
presence of each other, have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses the day and year above written.

(Witnesses) Rev. Paul R. Dolan, Jr.

Fr. Anthony St. O'M

OFM CONN 1

0056

J. M. J. F.

Fr. David Temple

Ordinis Fratrum Minorum
Provinciae S. Barbarae Minister Provincialis
Humilisque in Domino Servus

DILECTO IN CHRISTO

R. P. (V. F.) Berardo Connolly

Salutem et Pacem in Domino Sempiternam

Virtute Praesentium tibi mando, atque in meritum salutaris Obedientiae injungo ut, post harum litterarum receptionem, impedimento cessante legitimo, te quantocius transferas ex Residentia

nostra ad S. Franciscum,
San Juan Bautista, California

ad Residentiam nostram ad Matrem Boni Consilii,
Malibu, California sub obedientia

R. P. Praesidis loci illius de cetero moraturus, ac muneribus
tibi committendis fideliter functurus.

Cui te, sicut et reliquis illius Communitatis Patribus et Fratribus, quam possum carius in Domino commendo. Vale in Christo Jesu, Eumque pro me ora.

Datum in Conventu nostro ad S. Elisabeth,
Oakland, California

sub meo Chitographo Officiiue Sigillo Majori, die 27a

mensis Januarii anno 1953

Fr.

David Temple, O.F.M.
Qui Supra

Praedictus Pater (Frater) in locum destinationis suae pervenit: die
mensis anno

Fr.

Superior

N. B.—Litterae Obedientiales coram Communitate legantur et statim, una cum ejusdem Patris (Fratris) "Prior-Relatives' Address Card", ad Ministrum Provincalem mittantur.

O.F.M. CONN 1

0057

ST. FRANCIS RETREAT - San Juan Bautista, Calif.

August 16th

Very Reverend Father:

Father Owen has kindly granted me permission to take time off for a vacation. As I would like to go to San Luis Rey for a few days and as San Luis Rey is over two hundred miles from here I am asking you for permission to make this trip.

Thanking you for many past favors,
Very Reverend Father, and asking for your fatherly blessings, I am

Obediently in Mary and Francis,

Brother Berard, O.F.M.

Brother Berard

Mary!

St. Joseph's Church

Franciscan Friary

218 EAST TWELFTH STREET
LOS ANGELES 15, CALIFORNIA

March 14, 1950

Dear Father,

This is to let you and the Provincial Office know I have made my annual retreat. I was at San Luis Rey during this past week so am now holied up - we hope -- for the year.

Fraternally,

Brother Berard, of

O.F.M. CONN 1

0058

NOTIFICATIO

DE ADNOTATIONE IN LIBRO BAPTIZATORUM FACIENDA

(Can. 470, No. 2)

Frater ~~CHESSE~~ — Laicus — Ordinis Fratrum Minorum

Berard William Connolly

in baptismo nominatus William

baptizatus die 13 mensis May anni 1928

in Ecclesia St. Dominic

in Civitate San Francisco, Calif.

Professionem Sollemnem emisit in Provincia S. Barbarae die 12

mensis July anni 1952

Sacrum Subdiaconatus Ordinem suscepit

die _____ mensis _____ ani _____

Very Rev. David Temple O.F.M.

1500 34th Ave.
Oakland 1, Calif.

(for) Fr. H. Soto O.F.M. Min. Prov.

*Entered in Baptismal Register
St. Dominic's Church July 30, 1952
T. W. McElhatton at?*

O.F.M. CONN 1

0059

OFFICE OF THE PROVINCIAL
FRANCISCAN PROVINCE OF ST. BARBARA
1500 THIRTY-FOURTH AVENUE
OAKLAND 1, CALIFORNIA

January 26, 1953

Dear Brother Berard:

In the recent Definitorial sessions at Malibu you were chosen to be head cook at Serra Retreat where you will replace Brother Ambrose, who will go to Santa Barbara Mission. The Father of the Def. had every confidence that you will be able to handle this important job.

Serra Retreat would very much like to have you there by Friday so that you can observe the week-and menu as it is customary there. Brother Ambrose may be able to stay over yet another weekend to go over the routine which they have established there.

As you know there will be three important duties as a Friar: the first, will be your personal service of God and this will be the most important factor of all; the second will be the influence that a real Friar has on the retreatants who after all expect something spiritual from a Friar and fortunately find it in our retreat houses; the third will be the association which you have with the Tertiary Brothers who are a very promising group at Serra Retreat; since you are a solemnly professed Brothers they will look to you in many ways and the ideals which you have will unconsciously be absorbed by them.

We have every confidence in you and look for good days at Serra.

OFM CONN 1
0060

January 28, 1953

Dear Brother Berard:

Enclosed is your obedience for Malibu. Brother Ambrose will remain on at Malibu to show you all the details of the kitchen and the tricks of the menu. He can remain there as long as is necessary and until you are thoroughly acquainted with the various demands of this rather large job. I am sure that you will do well.

With sincere regards, I am

Sincerely in St. Francis,

Fr. David Temple, O.F.M.
Minister Provincial

enc.
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OFM CONN 1
0061

OFFICE OF THE PROVINCIAL
FRANCISCAN PROVINCE OF ST. BARBARA
1500 THIRTY-FOURTH AVENUE
OAKLAND 1, CALIFORNIA

August 15, 1953

Dear Brother Berard:

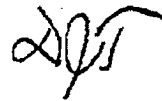
Greetings on Our Lady's Feast!

In accordance of the request of your letter of the 13th and since you have the permission of your Praeses, you may most certainly take off the days which you plan and come as far north as San Francisco.

In order to do this, you will, of course, have to remain alive over the days of the preparation, celebration and post-celebration of the Serra Retreat Tenth Anniversary. You will doubtless be very busy during those days.

You are a major contributor in the operation of the Serra Retreat establishment and, as such, are promoting one of the most salutary movements which the Church and the Order are able to maintain in the West during these days. There are very places were more is accomplished for such a large number of men and on such a large scale. It is a wonderful blessing to the Province to be able to do this.

With every best wish and sincerely in St. Francis,



OEM CONN 1
0062

Serra Retreat

CONDUCTED BY FRANCISCAN FATHERS

3401 SOUTH SERRA ROAD

MALIBU, CALIFORNIA

PHONE: MALIBU 5221

August 13, 1953

Dear Father Provincial:

Father Hugh has given me permission to be away from Malibu for four days the first part of September. May I have your permission to go as far north as San Francisco. I would like to see my folks and to visit San Juan Bautista.

Thank you for your kindness and may I have your fatherly blessing.

In Francis our Father,

Butler B. Bland, OFM

OFM CONN 1

0063



Answered Dec. 13th
O.K.
Serra Retreat
CONDUCTED BY FRANCISCAN FATHERS
3401 SOUTH SERRA ROAD
MALIBU, CALIFORNIA
PHONE: MALIBU 5331

December 7th

Very Reverend and dear Father,

My Praeses, Father Hugh, has kindly given me permission to visit with my folks after Christmas. Last summer we thought it best if I split my vacation taking the other half during the Christmas lull here at Serra Retreat.

May I have your permission to go as far north as San Francisco from December 27th to January 2nd.

Thank you for your kindness and time, Father Provincial. I hope Our Lady's feast is very happy for you.

Respectfully in Christ & Francis,

Bruce Bannick

Serra Retreat

CONDUCTED BY FRANCISCAN FATHERS

3401 SOUTH SERRA ROAD

MALIBU, CALIFORNIA

PHONE: MALIBU 5331

January 8, 1954

Dear Father Provincial,

I want to thank you for your kind permission to go to San Francisco last month. The sun was so warm in San Francisco and the fog so beautiful!

While there I was able to make Father Solanus' Solemn Mass, visit the good friars at San Juan and San Antonio and have a terrific spaghetti feed at Father Victor's where I stayed.

Again, thank you very much, Father Provincial, and may I have your fatherly blessing.

In Francis Our Father,

Brother [Signature]

OEM CONN 1
0065

OFFICE OF THE PROVINCIAL
FRANCISCAN PROVINCE OF ST. BARBARA
1500 THIRTY-FOURTH AVENUE
OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA
November-December 1
1954

Dear Brother Berard:

You may by all means use the permission which Father
Hugh has given you.

I hope that all is coming along well at Serra where
the retreat movement seems to have taken hold with particular depth and
consistency.

Please pray for me!

With every best wish in St. Francis, our father,

OFM CONN 1
0066

Serra Retreat

CONDUCTED BY FRANCISCAN FATHERS
3401 SOUTH SERRA ROAD
MALIBU, CALIFORNIA
PHONE: GLOBE 4-8121

November 29, 1954
All Saints of the Order

OEM CONN 1
0067

Very reverend and dear Father,

Father Hugh has given me his permission to
visit with my folks for several days after Christmas. They
live in San Francisco and as this is over two hundred miles
may I also have your permission?

May I have your blessing, Father.

Obediently in Our Father Francis,

Brother Bernard J. J.



annulled Oct. 19th Jff

Serra Retreat

CONDUCTED BY
FRANCISCAN FATHERS
MALIBU, CALIF.
PHONE GLOBE 6-8131

October 16, 1956

Dear Father Provincial,

I would like to hit up the several wholesale grocery companies we deal with at Serra for a donation to our Philippine Missions. Church goods companies are also worth tapping for the cause. They always have a stock of slightly damaged small articles which can be used as prizes, etc. Mc Coy's in San Francisco used to give me articles for the Mexican kids living in labor camps in and around San Juan Bautista.

Rather than money -which nobody wants!- I would like to send them canned goods a la U.S.A. I wrote to the Philippine Consulate in Los Angeles and the U.S. Post Office for information on the import duty, taxes, etc. payable on the Philippine side. I now have a pile of confusing letters with even more confusing information. (If only I had paid attention in Father Martial's algebra class!)

What has been the experience of the Missionaries with regard to taxes, etc. on parcels weighing under 22 pounds and with a declared value of under \$50 American? I would hate to think of them paying more than the goods would be worth. Has Father Alan worked out anything?

I hear from Brother Norbert but I'm afraid to ask him.
-- He'd want a new jeep or maybe even a '57 Big M.

Thank you, Father Provincial. May I please have your blessing.

Respectfully and fraternally,

Brother Bernard, Jff

Serra Retreat

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3401 SOUTH SERRA ROAD
MALIBU, CALIFORNIA
PHONE: GLOBE 6-8731

OFM CONN 1
0069

December 6, 1956

Dear Father Provincial,

My Superior, Father Dermot, has given me permission to take a vacation after Christmas. I would leave after Christmas and return to Malibu the following week.

May I have your permission to travel as far north as San Francisco.

Thank you for your kindness and time and, Father Provincial, may I please have your blessing.

Respectfully and fraternally,

Brother Bernard, OFM

December 10, 1956

Dear Brother Berard:

You may surely take your vacation after Christmas and in San Francisco, that noble city across the bay.

I know that you have been continuously busy, particularly on the week-ends in taking care of the classes which continue to be quite large and very satisfactory at Serra Retreat. So it will be some days of rest and change will be quite welcome and will be refreshing. I hope that all turns out well on the vacation.

With every best wish in St. Francis, our father.

Rev. David Temple, O.F.M.

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OFM CONN 1
0070



answered - Jan 2nd - 1957 - DJT

Serra Retreat

CONDUCTED BY
FRANCISCAN FATHERS
MALIBU, CALIF.
PHONE GLOBE 6-8131

January 30, 1957

Very Reverend and dear Father,

I have put off writing this letter for many weeks. Perhaps I have already waited too long. It is a hard letter to write. After talking the matter over with a friar-priest and having thought over it a long time I have reached the conclusion that I have no choice but to write you.

I am not asking for a transfer. I hope never to. I am happy at Serra Retreat and appreciate its fine community and excellent Superior. However, Father Provincial, I want you to know that in my opinion I am a bad influence on the Tertiary Brothers and candidates. This is an old fault of mine. Complaining about authority in all its forms. I am a griper and a very mediocre Brother. My example does hurt the young Brothers. I believe there are several cases where the harm done can be traced back to me. I have not the courage to reform but I do have a conscience which is troubled at the thought of tearing down what others build up. Perhaps these pangs of conscience are a little late but I do want to inform you of how I believe things stand before more harm is done.

Once more I shall try to set better example, tho, Father Provincial, the tide is so strong that effort to stem it seems hopeless. I gripe without even realizing it. I know your office is burdensome enough without this new problem, however, Father, I believe I owe it to the Province and to the Tertiary Brothers at Serra Retreat to tell you of my failure.

Thank you once more for your kindness and consideration. May I please have your blessing, Father Provincial.

Fraternally and respectfully in Francis

OFM CONN 1
0071

Brother Ben?

Please answer on this sheet and return to Fr. Martial O.F.M. at
1500 34th Avenue, Oakland, California 94601.

1. What is your present assignment in the Province? How long have you been at it? St. Francis of Assisi, Spokane, Washington
Three years next September.
2. What is your preference as to your assignment? What is your second choice? I would prefer to remain at St. Francis. My second choice would be Portland, Seattle or anywhere in the Northwest.
3. In evaluating your own talents, do you think that you could do better in another assignment? What talents I have are best utilized in "small" houses such as St. Francis. I feel I can be of more service here in years ahead under Father Jordan.
4. Would you be interested in going to the Indian or Philippines Missions? I once wanted to go to Arizona but they didn't ask in those days and I'm too old now!! (And fat!)
5. Have you any other suggestions to make regarding assignments or personal adjustment. (compatibility of personalities, particular Priaries, conditions, etc.?) I honestly believe I get along well with people and especially with youngsters. I feel I am best able to serve my community and the people by using my talent in a small parish house such as I have been in for the past ten years. I can cook well enough for a few friars, I have had some success with Altar Boys and parish youth programs. I can handle the door with ease and am somewhat up on today's Catholic living. (Up on but not way out!) I have been in a position to speak on vocations in several schools and otherwise meet and speak to gatherings and to commentate during the liturgy. I now feel my Religious life has a more meaningful purpose and I feel more confidence than ever ~~has~~ during my ten years in retreat houses. ((I know this all sounds like bragging -- but you asked!))
6. Do you have any suggestions or recommendations for the Brothers' Formation Program?

I have followed several Brother Formation programs mostly by contact with men connected with the Mission Secretariat thru the "Brothers' Newsletter." I personally feel our Province is weakest in so called "professional" training. If a Brother knew a trade or a skill I feel he could hold his head a little higher. In my own case I just completed a CCD teachers course (by mail to be sure) but even if I never teach I do feel a little more at ease and a little competence when the subject of religion classes comes up. We are laymen and to be able to speak with the laymen on a common level would enhance both vocations. On my own I have tried to develop a little talent but I can't help feeling that my own life would be more fruitful had a training program been developed when I was a young Brother. The new Brothers of today are going to demand and have a right to expect more of the Province training wise. I believe a Brother can, especially in a small house, make fraternity alive in his community, but he must be able to communicate with some intelligence. ~~My own experience is that~~ I think it would benefit the Province to look into the Jesuit Brother program especially the Oregon and Maryland Provinces.

Signed:

OFM CONN 1

0072

Br. Bernard Connolly, OFM

1987

J. M. J. F.

Fr.....David Temple.....
Ordinis Fratrum Minorum
Provinciae S. Barbarae Minister Provincialis
Humilisque in Domino Servus

DILECTO IN CHRISTO

R/P. (V.F.).....Berardo Connolly, O.F.M.
Salutem et Pacem in Domino Sempiternam

Virtute Praesentium tibi mando, atque in meritum salutaris Obedientiae injungo ut, post harum litterarum receptionem, impedimento cessante legitimo, te quantocius transferas ex Residentia
nostra ad Matrem Boni Consilii,
Malibu, California,
ad Residentiam nostram ad Ascensionem D.N.J.C.,
Portland, Oregon, sub obedientia
R. P. Praesidis loci illius de cetero moraturus, ac muneribus
tibi committendis fideliter functurus.

Cui te, sicut et reliquis illius Communitatis Patribus et Fratribus, quam possum carius in Domino commendo. Vale in Christo Jesu, Eumque pro me ora.

Datum in.....Conventu.....nostr. o ad Sanctam Mariam,
Phoenix, Arizona,

sub meo Chirographo Officiiue Sigillo. maiori....., die.....7^a
mensis.....Martii.....anno.....1957

Fr.....David Temple, O.F.M.
Qui Supra

Praedictus Pater (Frater) in locum destinationis suae pervenit: die.....5^a

mensis.....Aprilis.....anno.....1957

Fr.....Benedictus Link, O.F.M.
Superior

N. B.—Litterae Obedientiales coram Communitate legantur et statim, una cum ejusdem Patris (Fratris) "Friar-Relatives' Address Card", ad Ministrum Provincalem mittantur.

O.F.M. CONN 1

0073



Ascension Church

FRANCISCAN FATHERS
768 S. E. SEVENTY-SIXTH AVENUE
PORTLAND 15, OREGON

July 6th, 1959

Very Reverend David Temple, O.F.M.
1500 34th Avenue
Oakland 1, California

Very Reverend and dear Father,

Father Bennet would like me to make my retreat at Mission San Antonio July 19th. He also gave me permission to take a week's vacation at Hayward where my parents now live.

May I please have your permission to do so.

Thank you, Father Provincial, and thanks also for sending the Short Breviary. I have had no difficulty with it and think it will be a help.

May I have your blessing, Father.

Respectfully and fraternally,



Brother Berard Connolly, O.F.M.



CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION
Franciscan Fathers
765 S.E. 76th Avenue
Portland 16, Oregon

approved - 29

July 26, 1958

Very reverend and dear Father,

May I please have permission to spend a part of my vacation next month with my folks. They live in Hayward, California and there is a nearby church.

Also, if I should get the opportunity may I travel as far south as Los Angeles? My mother has been wanting me to drive her to LA. In Los Angeles I would stay at St. Joe's. I do have Father Bennet's permission for these two requests.

Thank you, Father Provincial. May I please have your blessing.

Respectfully and fraternally in S. Francis,

Brother Brian

OEM CONN 1
0075

July 9, 1959

Dear Brother Berard:

You may surely make your retreat at San Antonio Mission and take your vacation at Hayward thereafter.

It will be a pleasure to see you in these parts.

I was very pleased to see on the envelope of the communication which you sent the seal for the Centenary for the State of Oregon. This is the first evidence that I have noted that the Priars in the beloved State are taking the Centennial seriously.

With every best wish in St. Francis, our father,

Fr. David Temple, O.F.M.

OFM CONN 1

0076



CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION
Franciscan Fathers
765 S.E. 76th Avenue
Portland 16, Oregon

March 14th

OFM CONN 1
0077

Dear Father Provincial,

Thank you for your kind note and prayers for my Dad. God was very good to take him when he did. He had a very peaceful and well prepared death.

The various friars were generous and again proved to me that we really are a family.

The retreat at San Antonio was tremendous. There's not a better place for a retreat in the Province. The Sacred Garden is nice but we're still the City of Roses.

We have a little rain today but only because of St. Patrick's Day. 'Keep Oregon Green' is our motto, you know.

Thanks again, Father, and may I please have your blessing.

Respectfully in Francis Our Father,

R. H. R.



CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION
Franciscan Fathers
765 S.E. 76th Avenue
Portland 16, Oregon

OEM CONN 1
0078

Dear Father Provincial,

Father Basil has given me permission to take my vacation the first part of September. May I have your permission to travel to San Francisco to visit my mother.

Should the opportunity present itself, may I go as far south as Santa Barbara and Malibu.

May I have your blessing, Father.

Respectfully and fraternally,

Brother Berard

September 1, 1962

Dear Brother Berard:

You have permission to take your vacation in the manner planned.

With every best wish, I remain,

Sincerely yours in Christ and St. Francis,

Fr. Terence Cronin, O.F.M.

OFM CONN 1

0079



*Received by
Fr. Basil
12/16/68*

CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION
Franciscan Fathers
765 S.E. 76th Avenue
Portland 16, Oregon

OFM CONN 1
0080

Dear Father Provincial,

May I have permission to go to San Francisco for my vacation. If the occasion presents itself may I also drive as far as Los Angeles. I would like to see the "new" St. Joe's. I have Father Basil's permission.

I'm sorry to bother you during the Convention but I thought I might hop the Phoenix IIIrd Order bus as far as the City.

May I have your blessing, Father.

Respectfully and fraternally,

Basil Beal



Church of the Ascension

Franciscan Fathers

765 S.E. SEVENTY-SIXTH AVENUE

PORTLAND, OREGON 97215

Telephone 253-8305

OFM CONN 1
0081

July 7th, 1964

Very Reverend and dear Father,

If Father John has no objections may I take my vacation before going to Spokane? It is alright with Father Basil and I will first contact Father John.

I would like to visit my folks in the City. If I have the opportunity may I go as far south as Santa Barbara? I would like to visit my revered classmate who is now Guardian of the novitiate house.

Thank you, Father, and may I please have your blessing.

Respectfully and fraternally,

Basil Beard

July 8, 1964

Dear Brother Berard:

Thanks for your little note. Sorry we missed you in Portland the other day.

As long as this is agreeable to Father John you may take your vacation before going to Spokane, in fact I think this would be the best thing to do, because it would save on some expense. I am writing to Father John today also telling him that he and Father Basil should get together with you two Brothers and arrange for the exact transfer dates because of the difficulties with vacations and other things that may be involved.

Sincerely in Christ and St. Francis,

Fr. Terence Cronin, O.F.M.

J. M. J. F.

Fr.....TERENTIUS CRONIN.....

Ordinis Fratrum Minorum
Provinciae S. Barbarae Minister Provincialis
Humilisque in Domino Servus

DILECTO IN CHRISTO

R. P. (V. F.)BERARDO CONNOLLY.....

Salutem et Pacem in Domino Sempiternam

Virtute Praesentium tibi mando, atque in meritum salutaris Obedientiae injungo ut, post harum litterarum receptionem, impedimento cessante legitimo, te quantocius transferas ex.....

.....residentia.....nostr. aad Ascension D.N.I.C.A.....

.....Portland, Oregon.....

ad.....residentiam.....nostr. am ad S.P.N. Franciscum.....

.....Spokane, Washington.....sub obedientia

R. P.Superioris.....loci illius de cetero moraturus, ac muneribus

.....tibi committendis.....fideliter functurus

Cui te, sicut et reliquis illius Communitatis Patribus et Fratribus, quam possum carius in Domino commendo. Vale in Christo Jesu, Eumque pro me ora.

Datum in.....conventu.....nostr. o ad S. Elisabeth.....

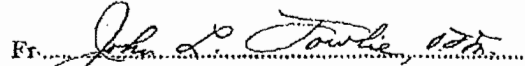
.....Oakland, California.....

sub meo Chirographo Officiique Sigillo.....maiori....., die 8a.....

mensis.....Iulii.....anno 1964.....


Qui Supra

Praedictus Pater (Frater) in locum destinationis suae pervenit: die.....30a.....
mensis.....Julii.....anno 1964.....

Fr..........
Superior

N.B.—Litterae Obedientiales coram Communitate legantur et statim, una cum ejusdem Patris (Fratri) "Friar-Relatives' Address Card", ad Ministrum Provinciale mitterantur.

OFM CONN 1
0083

St. Francis of Assisi Church
4420 N. JEFFERSON STREET
SPOKANE, WASHINGTON 99205

December 5th

Dear Father Provincial,

Thank you for the opportunity of attending the recent Brothers' Institute at Mission Santa Barbara. I feel I gained much from the talks and especially from the insight and spirit of the Lectors.

It's a job filling we old barrels with this new wine but we were given a good start. The Old Mission ain't what she used to be!

We've had a little snow but so far the weather hasn't been exceptionally cold. Today is beautifully clear, bright and nippy.

May I please have your blessing.

Fraternally and obediently,

Burt Brand

OFM CONN 1
0084

December 7, 1965

Dear Brother Berard:

Many thanks for your note. I appreciate the fact that you took time and the effort to write me and tell me of the gain you feel came to you from the attendance at the Institute in Santa Barbara.

We had a beautiful celebration at Santa Barbara to commemorate our Golden Jubilee. We are trying to get as much out of the one in Seattle tomorrow as we can get because of our need for vocations up that way. I know you are keeping your eyes open for young men who might want to be Franciscan Priests or Franciscan Brothers.

God bless you for everything and please remember the Province in your prayers.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Fr. Terence Cronin, O.F.M.

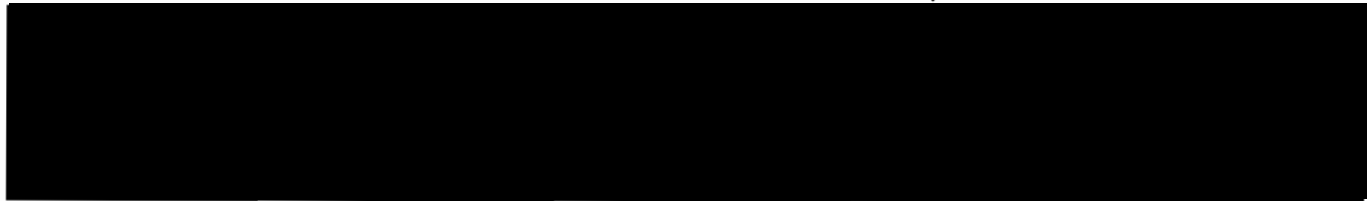
LOCAL AND PROVINCE INFORMATION

NAME (Type or print) BERARD WILLIAM CONNOLLY, O.F.M.

SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER [REDACTED] DRIVER'S LICENSE [REDACTED]

DOCTOR'S NAME B. Ray FITZGERALD, MD TELEPHONE 206/736-7623

Address of person to be notified in case of accident, illness or death:



N.B. This card is to be filled out and kept on hand in the local friary.
The copy in the Provincial Office should be updated when needed.

DATE FILLED OUT 6/6/87

O.F.M. CONN 1
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St. Francis of Assisi Church
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August 7th

Dear Father Provincial,

May I have your permission to spend a few days of
my vacation in the Bay Area. I would like to visit
my mother and sister.

Father John has given his OK.

Thank you, Father. May I please have your blessing.

In Francis Our Father,

Brother Berend

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Aug. 9, 1966

Dear Brother Berard:

You have permission to take your vacation as requested as long as you clear the dates with Fr. John.

With every best wish to you in Christ and St. Francis, I remain

Sincerely Yours in Christ,

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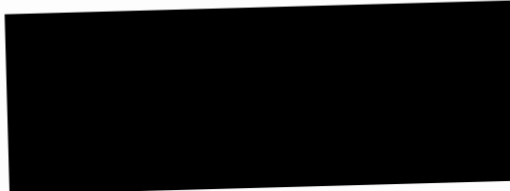
August 17, 1967

Dear Brother Berard:

It was good to hear from you in your letter of August 14th. By all means plan to take your vacation in San Leandro after your retreat. I hope it will be a real rest for you and a welcome change. We are certainly grateful for what you have done and are doing at Saint Francis.

With all best wishes and greetings to the friars, I am,

Fraternally in St. Francis,



Bro. Bernard

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July 5th, 1967

Dear Father Provincial,

I am sure the debris on your desk is as high as Mt. Spokane. I hesitate writing you because of this and because I am not a "provincial correspondent". I do, however, feel you are interested in the opinions of every friar in the Province. I have talked this matter over with two friars and they agreed I should write you.

Rumor has it that the Brothers in the smaller houses could possibly be sent "back to the farm" after this Definitorium meeting. If the needs of the Province demand this, so be it. If, on the other hand, there is a feeling in some quarters of the Province that the Brother in the small house is left out then I feel obligated to add my bit to disclaim this opinion.

In the new element of fraternity within the Order the Brother has come into his own. This is especially true of the Brother in the small house. I spent nearly nine years in Retreat Houses, several in the Old Missions. For the past ten years I have been in small parishes. With all my heart I know I have found my Franciscan vocation only in the smaller house.

I'm not trying to pat myself on the back because what I say is true of any Brother willing to put up a little effort. In the small house the Brother can be the balance within the community. In my years both in Spokane and Portland I have lived with a variety of friars temperment-wise and I believe I have gotten along fairly well. I hope I have made a contribution to the community both within and without the friary. I may be prejudiced but I believe one of the greater assets of a Franciscan parish is a well placed Brother. By not being tied down with the priestly duty and honor and Brother may mingle within and without the community as a Franciscan and try to love the people. I could bore you with my ideas in this regard, Father Provincial, but by and large they are much the same as those of every young friar -- and in this age we are all pretty young at it. Even at 39!

I'll be honest, Father, and admit that behind my concern for the fate of the Brother in the small house is my own personal interest. I'm not too talented but what talents I have do seem best used in contact with people and especially with the little people of all ages. For many years I lived the Franciscan life as it was taught us and I lived it in frustration. As a young

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Brother I would sneak down from San Juan Bautista to teach catechism to the Mexican migrant children but was careful to cover this little apostolate by saying it just took longer at the grocery store! I was sneakier than St. Paul in his basket.

In my years in smaller houses I have at last grown up and now breathe the clear air of trying to be a Franciscan. This is the Franciscanism we all hoped for even while we feared we'd never live to see it. I think I have found it, Father Provincial, only in the smaller house, within the parish and Franciscan family.

I hope I will be able to spend more years at St. Francis, Spokane. I think I can offer this parish something in return for what it has given me. In the few weeks I have been with Father Jordan my admiration has grown. Together, as a community, we have set out great plans. Tho my part may be small I feel it an important part for the parish, my community and for myself.

I hope I haven't taken too much of your time, Father. I am sincere and very convinced of the place of the Brother in the parish. He is an integral part of the Franciscan family and belongs with his priestly brother wherever that may be.

It is my concern which causes me to write this evening. Then, too, Father Provincial, I really feel I know you.

May I please have your blessing.

Fraternally and respectfully,

Barth Berard

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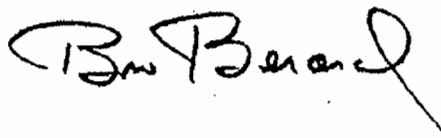
August 14th, 1967

Dear Father Provincial,

Next week I am scheduled to make my retreat at St. Francis Seminary, Troutdale, Oregon. After this retreat may I visit my mother in San Leandro and take my vacation. I have Father Jordan's permission for this.

Thank you, Father Provincial.

Faternally,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Bro Bernard". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long, sweeping tail that extends downwards and to the right.

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Ans May 7/68.



THE FRANCISCANS

St. Francis of Assisi Parish 4420 N. Jefferson Street Spokane, Wash. 99205

FA 5-1321 (AC 509)

Dear Father Provincial -

Perhaps the enclosed will be of some small use during the Chapter. I had hopes of a larger and more extensive presentation but because of its confidential nature I did not use the dark room at Gonzaga U. for the film work.

The streets look rather soulless and buildings aren't really what we're interested in but together with the maps Glenn and I sent perhaps an idea of St. Ann's can be given to the friars.

I have something against photographing people, especially poor people, without their consent. There are people in St. Ann's and lots of 'em. I think this would be a terrific challenge to the friars and one which the friars could be up to.

The parish does seem to have a solid core of "good" parishioners and a large alumni which still looks back to old St. Ann's. Best of all there are hundreds of families with whom we could share whatever this Franciscan charisma happens to be.

Hope the Chapter is going well!

Faternally

FB Bernard

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ST. ANN'S PARISH

The Franciscans

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September 14th, 1968

Dear Father Provincial,

Thank you for your letter which we received this past week. Since the matter in your letter is of concern to all friars, I would like to make known my thoughts and feelings.

News travels fast, even to this heart of the inland empire, and it grows at each whistle stop. I think I had a mature enough concern over the situation but concern certainly tempered by some experience, by my own ideas of Franciscanism and by my respect for Fathers Armand and Robert.

Last week a letter written by a committee of some sort made its way to St. Ann's. To be honest, Father, this letter was more upsetting to me than news of the nuptials and concelebration. Perhaps friars are rightly concerned and I know that there are many much closer to the situation who speak with some authority. For me the whole idea of "punishing" by popular acclaim is very un-Franciscan. Up here in Okanagan country we might add, even un-American!

Your letter encouraged me no end. It made me once more glad to be a friar in these times. In the past few years I have been moved and troubled at a recurring plea in all of the Berrigan brothers' writings. Especially in Dan Berrigan there is a loneliness and a begging for understanding from his Jesuit confessor. I do think we Santa Barbara friars have confidence that we will be loved even if not understood. Every family has its skeletons and every friar knows we certainly have our full share but even the "strange" brother ~~deserves~~ must be accepted even if not fully understood.

I hope the rank and file of the friars will understand these more or less charitable failings. I personally just can't get too shook up over a priest friend witnessing the love of one Christian for another and, gads, poor Bishop Pike could well use and deeply appreciate Robert's kind gesture. We have lived thru and put up with much more culpable sins of laziness and bitching. There just might be something to that casting the first stone business.

On a personal note, I believe I have grown in my appreciation of what we have and still I have a new understanding of those who wander off. I am saddened when rumors become fact but I do feel my long and continued friendship with men like Foster and Vince has benefited me more than they.

Life goes well at Good St. Ann's. Tom and I drive the bus with an aplomb which the guys in Provo would envy.

Fraternally

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Sept. 24, 1968

Dear Brother Berard:

It was good to hear from you in your letter which arrived while I was away visiting the great Northwest. I surely appreciate your words regarding the attitude of the friars towards the incidents of last Summer. From the response in the places where we have held little meetings, I am confident that we can look forward to a genuine spirit of cooperation in the months ahead.

The visit there at St. Ann's was again a great experience,--and I think the fact that yourself and Father Tom are driving the bus is a great thing for the parish. Your meeting with the people and the children on these trips will really build a close bond.

Last evening we had an open house for the new place in Berkeley. There was a great turn out of friars,--and things do look good for the next school year.

All best wishes and regards to the friars,

Fraternally,



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Dear Father Provincial -

Just a note to tell you, in case you hadn't heard, Tom has been elected to the Spokane Priest's Senate. He was elected by the non-teaching religious clergy. We're proud of him.

Tom's modest about the whole thing but Glenn and I are sure he's been secretly wearing Msgr. T. Pypers' red biretta when we're not home.

Fraternally,

Bened

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May 7, 1969

EB-2169

Brother Berard Connolly, O.F.M.
Saint Ann's Parish
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Spokane, Washington 99202

Subject: Estate of Matilde L. Cordes, Deceased

Dear Brother Connolly:

This Bank is the named executor of the estate of the above decedent who died on April 24, 1969.

Enclosed is a copy of Mrs. Cordes' Will dated February 2, 1968. As you will note, you are to receive the residue of her estate. As far as we can determine, the estate will consist of improved real property commonly known as 103 Bosworth Street, San Francisco, California, furniture and furnishings of nominal value, a ring and a small amount of cash. We have estimated that the estate will approximate \$12,000.

For our information, will you please advise us as to whether or not you have taken vows of poverty.

Sincerely,

Bessie Wong
Probate Administrator

BW:JMH
Enclosure

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May 9th, 1969

Dear Father Alan,

As they say back on the olde sod - "I've come to my fortune"! My aunt left me the majority of her estate with the exception of \$100.00 to the Jesuit Seminary Association and the funeral and legal expenses. Now what do I do?

When I made my solemn profession I asked that my worldly (sic!) goods go to: 1) my mother, 2) my sister and 3) the Maryknoll Sisters. My mother could well use the money involved.

I'm enclosing a copy of the letter I received this morning from the Crocker-Citizens Bank in San Francisco. Will you or Father Martial advise me of the procedure which will assure proper execution of the estate. I want my mother and the Order to benefit. I'll hold up answering the bank until I hear from you or Father Martial.

Life goes well at St. Ann's. The Sunday folk Mass draws crowds. Tom was just telling me how two couples from another parish were so impressed by the Mass they now want to work with St. Ann's. (What a way to make friends with neighboring pastors!) Soon as school closes Tom and I plan on helping men of the parish repaint the interior of the school. Two scholastics from The Mount will spend two weeks with us this summer to help with a census. These two Jesuits regularly work with our GYO and CGD programs. We're looking forward to seeing Hubert during the summer and then our "boarders" from GU in the fall.

Heard on the news this morning that the Pope has disowned St. Barbara! Tell us it ain't so!!

Come see us.

Fraternally,

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May 12, 1969

Dear Brother Gerard,

Greetings: it was great to hear from you, and I want to congratulate you on your good fortune regarding the estate. I have checked the records and find that, as you say, you did give your worldly goods to the ones you mentioned. For a will that is not a paternal or maternal will, this would ordinarily go to the Crown. However, I will be very happy to write to Father General and ask for permission for this to be given to whoever you think should receive it, and since your mother is in need I certainly think that she should be taken care of before any other charity, would enter in.

The summer schedule looks terrific, and I know that Hubert will have a real involvement there, and I think it should be a great help to him in preparing for the future work in the Order. I enjoyed your remarks to the news about St. Barbara. We have already had a couple of inquiries regarding the changing of the name of the Province, so I will have to see this through.

Hoping to see you very soon, and with every best wish and greetings to the Friars, I am

Practically, in St. Francis,

Francis, O.F.M.

October 29, 1968

Dear Brother Berard:

Many thanks for your note. Please give my congratulations to Father Tom on his election. I know he will do a great job representing the religious clergy on the Senate.

Also I want to thank you for the copy of the Bulletin. It is really interesting and I can see that all of you are covering the bases. Throughout the Province I find real interest in the work of St. Ann's. I think the spirit that you have there is something that we all appreciate and want to spread as much as possible.

With every best wish, and greetings to all, I am,

Fraternally in St. Francis,

Father Alan, O.F.M.

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July 2nd, 1969

Dear Father Provincial,

This morning I received a check for \$1101.00 as part of the estate willed me by my late aunt. I plan on depositing the money with our house account until I get the OK to send it on to my mother.

You wrote me that a dispensation could be gotten from the General which would enable me to accept the money and to give it to my mother.

Come see us -- but bring your own paint brush!

Fraternally,

Beard

November 10, 1969

Dear Brother Berard,

Greetings: just a line to let you know that we received your Newsletter and are also getting your bulletins regularly. The bulletins have been outstanding, and I think they really give the pulse of the parish better than any we have received here. Also, the idea of the Newsletter is tremendous, and I know that it is going to serve a real purpose. I only hope that you get a good feedback from it. You have meant so much to all of the progress there at St. Ann's that the Province is really indebted to you, and I hope that we will always give you the support that you need. I know these have been difficult months for all of you, but am confident that things are going to work out much better. The Huskies seem to be coming right along, under your tutelage, and I am hoping that a number of the young boys will be attracted to the Franciscan way of life.

With every best wish and greetings to the Friars, I am

Fraternaly, In St. Francis,

Father Alan, O.F.M.

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July 9, 1969

Dear Brother Berard,

Greetings: I received your letter of July 2nd, and am happy that you have received the check from the estate of your aunt. I have checked over the faculties that I have and find that since the amount is \$1,101 this would come within the limits allowed me, and I gladly give permission for you to send this to your mother.

Many thanks for the invitation. You would be surprised how much experience I have had wielding the paint brush, especially during the time in Stockton. However, I am sure that you are giving the old master touch to the school building.

With every best wish, and greetings to all, hoping to see you in the not too distant future, I am

Faternally in St. Francis,

Father Alan, C.F.M.

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Letter to

Editor:

My thanks to Monsignor Donnelly for his full and factual articles concerning the situation between the Archbishop of Seattle and a segment of the student body of St. Thomas the Apostle Seminary. (ICR 2-26-70 and 3-5-70). The standoff between Archbishop and students is of concern because of the stake we of the Church of Spokane have in the education of our future priests at the provincial seminary in Kenmore. It was gratifying to read of the cordial relationship between our Father Bishop and the Spokane seminarians.

While we are saddened at turmoil within the Church we must by now be used to the fact and have grown in the hope that because the Church is a living thing there must be growth or there is death and to have growth there must be occasional growing pains.

I do not wish to enter into the right or wrong of the action of the seminarians but I would like to make a few observations on how the situation was handled.

First, my profoundest admiration and gratitude to the priests of the Senate of the Archdiocese of Seattle for their statement. I believe this statement on the priesthood and the relationship between priest and bishop and people, ranks among the finest words I have read on the subject. For its charity, for its love and understanding, it could be placed with Christ's priestly prayer of the Last Supper.

Secondly, my revulsion at a statement attributed to the Archbishop: "... he (the seminarian boycotting classes) would be either suspended or expelled from the seminary and his name given to the draft board." (IR 2-26-70, emphasis mine.) Every student is aware of his selective service classification and every seminarian realizes withdrawal from a seminary changes his student/clerical deferment. Why then is it necessary to call on Caesar, to threaten with the draft? This certainly violates the spirit of recent court decisions which forbid local draft boards to use selective service classification as a threat to be used on student protestors and others who take an unpopular role.

In 1968 the American bishops issued an in-depth, urgent call for peace. Among their proposals our U.S. bishops urged the modification of draft laws "making it possible, although not easy" for persons to be selective conscientious objectors, "without fear of imprisonment or loss of

citizenship." I quote this to show our bishops are concerned with the selective service system in this country.

When our bishops, sharing with the Bishop of Rome, proclaim peace and question draft laws, it is certainly odd for an Archbishop to rattle General Hershey's yet unclaimed sword because of arbitrary seminary policy.

I surely have no axe to grind with Archbishop Connolly. He was my pastor many years ago when I was a boy in San Francisco. I hope all sides will learn from this experience, will shake hands and will wish one another the peace of Christ. We are a people who can settle our differences without selective service coercion. I too am a nostalgic American, but I just don't feel we need the U.S. Cavalry galloping hell-bent into Kenmore, Washington.

Berard Connolly, O.F.M.

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Dear Father Martial --

Enclosed is the report for the month of August. We are trying to get enough together to send the Province assessment and I hope we are over the extraordinary travel and medical expenses.

Fraternally,

Berard

OFM CONN 1
0105

December 10, 1969

Dear Brother Berard,

I realize that I wrote to some time ago about the Newsletter, but just couldn't pass up this opportunity to thank you again for the splendid newsletter and the bulletin. I would hope that more and more of our friars would start to relate to the people in the way that all of you there in St. Ann's are doing. I appreciate hearing from you, and hope that the parish start responding to the tremendous efforts that you are all making.

With every best wish for a truly blessed Christmas season to all of you, I am

Fraternaly, In St. Francis,

Father Alan, C.F.M.

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March 24th, 1970

Dear Father Provincial,

Since it seems the rest of my community at St. Ann's is writing you, I don't want to be left out. First, the enclosed "letter to the editor" from last week's Inland Catholic Register may be of interest in case any of our local ward Birchers write you about it. I felt I had to do "my thing" and since my thing isn't very much, I do try to hit the draft whenever possible and I think it wise. I promise not to take on Cardinal Antoniutti and his sacred Dicastery for the present!

Speaking of Antoniutti and his sacred Dicastery, would there be any merit in Westfriars or the Provincial Office coming out with an explanation of this latest nonsense from the Congregation of Religious. Time magazine made something out of it and one or the other periodical for religious has brought it up. Perhaps a few of our Brothers are at sea because of it. While not too many of us are running for office and fewer are qualified, Cardinal Antoniutti has hit an emotional soft spot in every Brother. We older Brothers are just getting over our ghetto mentality and this second Bonaventure comes along and tells us we really don't belong after all.

Now about St. Ann's. There is little fact I could add to what others write about our situation but I would like to tell you of my observations and of my feelings. This has been a good tenure and Tom, Glenn and I have hit it off rather well. I'm not fooled and I know almost the entire credit belongs to Tom. He is an utterly fantastic friar. I always consider him the last of the Christians, or, if the sun is bright and the birds are singing, the first of the Christians.

Glenn wrote you. He first talked the matter over with us. Glenn is an open person and all in all is a good guy. I personally feel, however, that he is a little unbalanced. I know I'm surely not one to talk, but Glenn doesn't seem to grasp the overall picture of his actions or the mission of the church. He is

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constantly tired. This may be because of mental strain or because of the fact that he can't seem to sleep at night. Tom and I have frequently worried out loud over him these past weeks. To me he is a very helpless person with little or no plans for future employment, etc. This morning Tom and I were trying to figure how much financial support the house can give him when he leaves. Still, it is going to take much more than money.

Perhaps my main purpose in writing is to wonder out loud what changes will be made at St. Ann's. As Tom told you, he and I could run the place with trimming here and there. I say this because this is exactly what we have been doing the past few months. Except for the liturgy -- and here I cannot praise Glenn enough -- and a few appointments, Glenn is completely withdrawn from the parish. In fact, with his sleeping and visiting one or the other family, Tom and I seldom see him. We get together for meals and that's that. Tom and I usually end the evening up down in the basement room -- you've got to try that Spanada wine! -- while Glenn will be out.

I feel this places a great burden on Tom. It is certainly not the amount of work but the worrying which will get Tom down. I personally feel that if Glenn plans on leaving he should do so as soon as school closes. For his sake, he will need time to find work, especially if he should get into teaching. Perhaps I am short changing him but I feel that human nature being what it is, harm will be done in the parish. Again, Father, I could very well be wrong.

Tom has mentioned the possibility of getting Jim Furlong as replacement. From the little I know of him, I feel he will fit in quite well. At least, if Tom has confidence in him I don't think I can question it. With Tom and with Claude nearby Jim could receive a lot of support which I take it he has been seeking.

We are looking forward to Hubie coming up this summer. I'd like to see him try to re-organize the Youth Club. The kids, the CCD and other programs have fallen by the wayside since Glenn's loss of interest. I even feel he now has lost interest in Marycliff which was more or less the one job he liked.

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I hate to write a letter like this. I hope I am doing it because I do like Glenn and worry about him and because I think St. Ann's has enough troubles without suffering from troubled friars.

I know the province needs are pressing on all sides but I do think you want the opinion of the various friars who are in a situation. We can hang on and more and more we are seeing the light here at St. Ann's. Tom - and perhaps myself - have too much invested here to see it busted up.

The Wednesday night reading from St. Luke with Mass was great. The people really seemed to have a sense of community. We're trying to get a pot-luck with the group after Easter and then continue the discussion on a monthly or so basis. Palm Sunday 11 o'clock Mass was packed to the rafters, and even along the sides of the church. Holy week here promises to be good. Last year it was the most relaxed, and piously best, one I've yet had. The simplicity of the liturgy and the people participating made it very real and nowhere near the show it was in the "old days".

Big fire at G.U. last night. Gollner Hall, the small hall behind St. Al's, was a complete loss. Arson is suspected. And it wasn't the ROTC building. Talked to a professor I know this morning. Fifteen years of research up in smoke. He was working on a book. Fr. Tom Royce lost all his philosophy material.

Again, Father, I hope you'll take this letter in the spirit I'm trying to write it in.

Faternally,

PS. Looked "dicastery" up in the dictionary. Can our definitorium be called "a dicastery"?

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0109

March 28, 1970

Dear Brother Berard:

Greetings! It was get to get your letter, -to complete the St. Ann's report.

First, in regard to what changes might take place at St. Ann's. I really cannot say just what we might be able to do. But it means a great deal to realize that you and Tom could keep things going if you had to. We will surely try to do whatever is possible, and still consult with you, so as not to destroy the fine things you have going there.

From what you write I can see that Lent has been a very good thing for all the people who come to St. Ann's. And I am sure that you will be able to continue with the great work of Glenn in the liturgy.

Secondly, the response from the Congregation has disappointed many, many people. I wrote to the Secretary of the Conference of Major Superiors of Men and suggested that we bring this to the Annual Meeting and frame a response from all the Major Superiors. The President of the Conference wrote to the Congregation a very strong letter protesting this and I am assured that if we do not get an answer to this we will bring it to the entire membership of the Conference at the meeting. I am confident that the American religious, if they can unite in this, will have real influence in Rome. And so far, all seem to be with us.

The except from the local paper might do you some harm there at St. Ann's. I know the Bishop is having a problem defending the actions of the friars, and I hope this will not cause him any further trouble. I think that right now it is important not to give added fuel to the opposition unless it be a matter of real principle.

All best wishes and regards to Tom and Glenn. And a really Blessed Easter,

Faternally,

P.S. I think you might meet some opposition in calling the Definitorium a Dicaster, -but might as well try.

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December 7th, 1970

Most Reverend Bernard J. Topel, D.D., Ph.D.
West 1023 Riverside Avenue
Spokane, Washington 99201

Dear Father Bishop,

Thank you for the authorization to assist in the distribution of Holy Communion which you granted me through my religious superior, Father Thomas Frost, O.F.M., November 25th, 1970.

I am grateful for another opportunity to be of some service to the Church of Spokane.

Asking for your blessing, I am,

Sincerely,

Brother Gerard Connolly, O.F.M.

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December 13th, 1970

Dear Father Provincial,

The Church's wheels still grind slowly but, at least in Spokane, they do move. Enclosed is a copy of the authorization whereby Bishop Topel grants me permission to distribute Holy Communion. He did the same for Connie over at Assisi.

Fraternally,

Beard

December 19, 1970

Berard Connolly, O.F.M.
2120 E. 1st Avenue
Spokane, Wash. 99202

Dear Brother Berard,

Congratulations! It was really good to hear from you in your letter of December 13th and to know that you did receive the authorization of the Bishop to distribute Holy Communion. I think this will be a great help to the parish. Please give my very best regards to Tom and Jay. I wish all of you a really blessed Christmas and God's continuing blessing through the New Year.

Peace:

Father Alan, O.F.M.

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St. Ann's Parish

Spokane, Washington

March 28th, 1971

Franciscans

Tom Frost,

Berard Connolly,

Jay Ilch

THIS WEEK AT ST. ANN'S.....

Today -- Fifth Sunday in Lent

-- Sunday School for grade schoolers, 10:00AM, school auditorium

-- Final meeting of the Diocesan Marriage Discussion Groups at 7:00PM at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Walsh, E.2614 Pacific.

Wednesday -- Lenten Mass with discussion, school auditorium, 7:30PM. A number of St. Ann's People are making this Wednesday evening experience their Lenten celebration. Last Wednesday the theme was "bread". As part of this theme, each participant received a small loaf of bread and was invited to share it with someone. To break and share bread with a loved one is part of man, be it a child's cookie or a sandwich or the Eucharistic Christ Himself.

Next Wednesday will be the last evening of this Mass with discussion series. Wednesday in Holy Week will include a penance liturgy and possibly a pot-luck dinner.

Thursday -- St. Ann's Band practice at 7:15 in the friary.

Friday -- Communion to the sick and shut-ins. Please inform us if we are missing someone who would like to receive communion and/or a visit from one of the Fathers.

-- Spring Church Cleaning, immediately following the 8:00AM Mass. Bring your pails, cleaning cloths, good will and energy. Coffee, donuts and conversation will be served at 10:00AM. Also, why not bring your lunch and brown-bag it with the pastor at noon. ALL LADIES who consider St. Ann's "their's" are invited to share in this spring cleaning. While the weekly cleaning of the church keeps St. Ann's certainly one of the neatest churches in the city, there are still a few places which can use this extra push.

Next Sunday -- Passion Sunday. Solemn or Simple Entrance with Blessing of Palm at all the Masses.

DIOCESAN DEVELOPMENT SUNDAY -- Today, Sunday, March 28th, the Catholic People of Spokane are being asked to make a pledge to help the work of the diocese. Many are being called on in their homes by other members of their parishes. At St. Ann's we are using the method which has proven over the past few years to be effective. We are using the mail for this campaign. All people who have left addresses with us received a brochure, letter and return envelope during the past week. We have some extra brochures at the doors of the church for those who might have been missed. We ask that you consider the needs expressed and make a response via the enclosed envelope. If you forgot to bring your envelope today, please consider the matter soon. The Catholic United Fund needs you.

AS WAS REPORTED IN THE BULLETIN Several weeks ago, the Parish Council asks that you make use of the "Suggestion Box" which is in the church vestibule. We are interested in your suggestions which you believe will make St. Ann's a more alive Christian Community. (You are also invited to write down "nice things" about the life and breath of St. Ann's!)

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IS YOUR LENTEN MISSION FOLDER GETTING TOO HEAVY? With Holy week and Easter almost here the lenten coin folders you received before Lent may be "wearing out". If so, Brother Berard has envelopes available which are the size of the folders. Also, he has a few extra lenten folders which we were able to obtain. If you misplaced your folder or need another one or an envelope, please see Bro. Berard.

YOU ARE INVITED to attend a community meeting concerning drug abuse among our children, grade school through college. The program is presented by former addicts and staff members from the Creative Life Foundation. We feel it a unique program in that it provides adults with a course of action to take to begin to do something about the drug problem which is becoming serious in Spokane. The meeting will be held at the Washington Water Power Auditorium, Tuesday evening, March 30th, at 8:00PM.

TODAY, the very excellent movie "The Gospel According to St. Matthew" is being shown at St. Francis Xavier Auditorium, 544 E. Providence, at 2:00PM and again at 8:00PM. Donations: adults- \$1, student- 50¢ and children- 25¢. We urge you to attend this outstanding religious and film media experience.

WE ARE ASKED TO PRINT THE FOLLOWING FROM A PARISHIONER...

"Dear Brothers and Father Frost,
On behalf of C.E. Carr we wish to thank all the members of St. Ann's Church for the blood given for Edward's transfusions every month. Please include our thank you in the Sunday Bulletin. Thank you for your kind thoughts and love.

Respectfully yours,
Stella and Edward Carr"

St. Ann's Blood Bank Account is always in need of your donation of blood and is available to our people whenever there is need.

WE ARE THANKFUL TO GOD that Friday's wind storm brought no injury to our area and only minimal damage. The parish plant came through with a few pieces of roof paper blown off, several broken branches and a pine cone harvest on the lawn.

RETREAT- St. Ann's Men are scheduled for retreat April 23-24-25. Men who have never made a retreat are especially urged to give thought to the great experience which can be yours. In these times we all need understanding and we can better able understand others after understanding ourselves. A few days at Immaculate Heart Retreat House will help us better understand ourselves. Since reservations must be made, a retreat committee member will be contacting you.

DURING THE FAST WEEK Father Bill Davis, S.J., visited us. Father Davis is the coordinator and director of the Jesuit Mission Volunteers, two of whom are serving at St. Ann's School. The Volunteers, a dynamic group of dedicated young men and women, are sharing the Christ-life from Alaska to Africa. We at St. Ann's should be very grateful for this program which has provided us with two young women who have brought creativity, joy, and professional skill in the teaching of our children. If you have any doubt about what the Jesuit Volunteers are doing for St. Ann's, just ask the children.

THE CATHOLIC ALUMNI CLUB for single adults will hold its monthly meeting on Friday, April 2nd, 8:30PM and W. 909 First Avenue. New Members are welcome.

BECAUSE OF ANOTHER unpleasant incident, we are again locking the church doors after Mass. Should you wish to enter the church during the day, please ask for a key at the Priory. We are sorry for the inconvenience but feel it necessary.

THANK YOU to Mr. Orin Lopeman of the Howard Street Sign Company, for donating the sign in front of the church. Mr. Lopeman is an active member of Mission Avenue Presbyterian Church.

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April 2, 1971

Bro. Berard Connolly, O.F.M.
E. 2120 First Ave.
Spokane, Wash. 99202

Dear Brother Berard,

On behalf of my family I want to thank you sincerely for the kind words you gave at the Rosary for my Aunt, Miss McCoy. The family surely appreciated this, and I know that it meant a great deal to them to have you there.

Also, many thanks for your work for the missions. You really have been helping us consistently with this and we are very appreciative of it here in the office.

I hope that the Development Fund will be a success, and I think it really speaks well for the friars at St. Ann's that it has done so much better this year.

With every best wish and greetings to all, I am

Faternally in St. Francis,

Father Alan, O.F.M.

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April 3, 1971

Brother Berard Connolly, O.F.M.
St. Ann's Friary
E. 2120 First Avenue
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Dear Brother Berard,

Greetings: just a line to tell you that I was sorry to learn about the unpleasant incident as you mentioned in the bulletin. I hope that you are not being troubled anymore. All of you have enough work there without having to worry about such threats.

All is coming along well here in the Bay Area. Certainly there is no lack of activity in the different houses and it is always good to get back after the finish of visitation. The last place I visited was Guaymas, Sonora. Fr. William Sisk is there and seems to be doing very well. He is always interested in the friars in Spokane and I know he does appreciate it when the friars visit his mother there at St. Joseph's.

With every best wish and greetings to all for a truly blessed Easter, I am

Fraternally in St. Francis,

Father Alan, O.F.M.

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June 10, 1971

Dear Brother Berard:

Greeting! It was very good to hear from you, -and I surely want to thank you for the very honest report on the state of progress. I can feel for you in the stages you mention, -and am sure you are making a wise decision in determining how to go ahead with the schooling.

Many former students of St. Anthony's have deeply regretted the over-emphasis on Latin in the evaluation. The irony of it is that today they do not even teach it as a formal class.

By all means plan to take those courses at Spokane Falls Community College. It will be perfectly alright to withhold the tuition etc. from the regular assessment. And I hope you will continue right on through the year with whatever schedule will work out best. At present there are about ten or eleven brothers who are going back to college. And again it is evident that in many instances they are doing superior work. I think this is a very good thing for the apostolates of the Province, and above all, for the individual friar himself.

I am looking forward to a visit there at St. Anne's around the 3rd of July. If you are in need of help that weekend let me know.

All best wishes and regards to the friars,

Fraternally in St. Francis,

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The Franciscans 2120 East First Avenue Spokane, Wash. 99202

Dear Father Provincial,

As I mentioned at Visitation, I am beginning to believe that I am an "early" victim of the hell of menopause or whatever this triage is varying degrees when they hit my age. I have been restless the past year. My community is not in getting up with me, and now, to use a quote, I can see some light at the end of the tunnel.

I have lost confidence in myself and in my ability to face people and to do meaningful work. I know I have already withdrawn from several aspects of life. By making them dry and difficult, so that in a frightfully easy course of action I can do nothing.

It is difficult to overcome, or at least live with, whatever is bothering me. I have asked myself several questions and have even come up with an answer or two.

My first reaction is to ask to put myself as a prisoner in a prison made of stone and bars but then perhaps there are already too many "prisoners" in the world and besides, what would I do in my new golden cage?

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Right now I feel I can do nothing again at St. Anne's. I feel badly because I think I have been a drag on Tom and Joy, very often because of my own illness. I feel that but I know they are waiting to put up with me and if I can fight my way back into our parish life I guess I can only do my part of the bargain. In staying at St. Anne's I have come up with still another course of action.

Even when it left its industry, Kennedy's financial value was high. The Union Pacific, for example, valued its stock at \$100 a share, but the only person to have bought shares before the company's IPO was Kennedy, and he had bought 100 shares at \$100 a share. He was worth \$10,000. Kennedy, by the way, was not a member of the board of directors of the company. It was then that the other boys, of all things, got in. A businessman, Robert Redman, had been the one to come from the company, and he had been the one to

In an effort to prove St. Anthony's wrong after all these years, I recently took several college courses at St. John's Paul's Community College. I was amazed at the results. Professors at the college told me I made a big mistake when I did not go on to

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college after high school. I did not tell them that in my day latin was the sure sign of one's intelligence quota. I have been advised to stay with literature and the social sciences and to get by with the minimum of math and natural science. Here Father Martial will agree if he remembers me from algebra class.

My percentile rank out of one hundred was as follows....

Correctness and Effectiveness of Expression: 95

Interpretation of Reading Materials in
the Social Sciences: 96

Interpretation of Reading Materials in
the Natural Sciences: 69

Interpretation of Literary Materials: 99

General Mathematical Ability: 46

Anyhow, Father, I think I would like to try a summer class just to see for myself if I can put my mind to study. Fathers Tom and Jay have no objection. Perhaps this may be a needed push in my life at this time. If I can stick with it during the summer, perhaps I can take an evening class here and there and someday even receive a diploma of some sort. When asked my reason for wanting to attend Community I gave: "Personal enrichment".

I am accepted at Spokane Falls Community College, a two year state junior college. 93 quarter hours of credit are needed to graduate with an Associate in Arts degree. I would be in no hurry! During the summer I could get a class at 7:30 and 8:50AM and get back to St. Ann's for summer census work which I am looking forward to.

I am writing to see if this will be alright with you. The house chapter - Tom, Jay and myself! - have no objections. I doubt if there is still an objection to "worldly colleges" but -- there is still the question of money. I picked Community because it is the less expensive. As a Washington resident my fee, including credit hours, books needed, etc., would come to between \$80 and \$100. Could we deduct this from our assessment once this summer?

Whatever you say is OK. Perhaps you have already decided to send me somewhere else or perhaps I should go to Portland or to the Christian Brothers retreat in New Mexico or to do the above at Spokane Falls. In any case I do think I have to do something drastic for me - going to school is, believe me - at this time. If I get by this summer at college I will be able to audit or attend other classes other places without an embarrassing blank on my application form.

We are looking forward to Rubie's return for a Mass with us at St. Ann's. Jay is on vacation in Oregon and will make the ordination and Tom will preach at the first Mass.

Good luck with the meeting.

Faternally,

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PS: Speaking of education .. we're trying to attend Bishop Topel's evening class at GU the end of the month. "The Bishop's Role in the Local Community and Church".



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July 21st, 1971

Dear Father Provincial --

I took your advice and wrote to the Christian Brothers at the Sangre de Cristo institute.

This morning Brother Charles Reutemann, FSC, wrote that I am welcome to join in on the Fall session, September 1st to December 9th. While the expense does bother me I honestly feel a terrific need for a program such as this.

I wrote Brother Charles this morning telling him I would be there. Now how do we work out the cost??

I understand Angelo Cardinelli will be making the institute so perhaps he and I can work out our trip to Santa Fe.

Thank you, Father.

Fraternally,

Blair

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July 22, 1971

Dear Bro. Berard:

Greetings! It was very good news to learn that you have decided on the Sangre de Cristo course and that you have been accepted. As for the expense, -it is high, but I am sure it is worth it. The Province will have to pick up whatever part of it the local friary cannot meet. And certainly you should not hesitate in this after the years you have given to the fraternity and its apostolates.

I appreciated the editorial on Glenn. Poor fellow really has acted in a strange way. I hope the impact on you there at St. Anne's has not been too much.

Many thanks for the copy of the Directory. There is a lot of information there that can be helpful through the year.

I do not think Angelo will be making the course this Fall. He wrote telling me that he would postpone it. However, Roy Rivas will be there with you, and possibly one or the other who has not yet made up his mind.

The course here at St. Elizabeth's is coming along very well. The students seem to be getting a lot out of the talks and the work together. I hope we can continue this in the future.

All best wishes and regards to the gang, --and many thanks for the trip to Seattle and Portland, --it was really enjoyable.

Fraternally in St. Francis,

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Good people --

Perhaps the recent WESTFRIARS will be mentioned during your meeting. The enclosed letter which I sent to WESTFRIARS will let you know the feelings of one more friar regarding Mats.

I do seriously fear a bad re-action on the part of the young men in formation for whom Mats gave some hope.

The Sangre Experience goes very well. I'll presume to send you an evaluation when it is finished. Then, too, I hope to talk Conan into driving up this way come December 9th and hitch a ride to Las Cruces with him. I've never been in the southwest before.

Fraternally,

Beard

Editor:

I have gut feeling as I write this: anger, sadness and sympathy. The September WESTFRIARS was forwarded to me at Sangre de Cristo, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

I am a friar to whom the Chapter of Mats was an experience, a promise of the future. I pray I will keep my faith in it and in the brotherhood I shared in. Perhaps I suffer from the decompression of going from the flesh and blood heights of Mats down to a fantasy-land where grown men feel they have the luxury of fretting over hair and habit. A habit I love and wear.

What I consider the finest thing this Province has done in the twenty six years I have been a part of it, has been passed off in WESTFRIARS with all the enthusiasm of an altar society social. Perhaps I feel chagrin because this was an issue I looked forward to, something to share with the men I am with, men from several Congregations. I wanted them to know that we are alive and are open and that we love. Instead what was forwarded to me was a term paper for an obituary column. Are we suffering clinical depression or are we really that dead?

I was not happy with having Caesar Chavez speak. (Why couldn't he have been given the courtesy of being called by name in WESTFRIARS?) From the first planning stages of Mats I fought against the idea of non-friars participating. However, to me, this was a mere pause in agenda. I hope my personal convictions are strong enough that I will flee neither Union Organizer nor the "theologian who opens new vistas of our Faith to us".

The Thursday evening Liturgy was the highlight of Mats to me. Because I do believe the Spirit guides our religious experience and expression, I believe the Spirit directed the spontaneous outpouring of affection -- and men who had been at odds did embrace that night. I will deny to the hilt any lack of respect to our God during any of the liturgies. As for the Pax, it is to be shared in "according to custom". Men who love one another, who, at least for a fleeting moment, are ecstatic because they are friars minor, have the custom of spontaneous greeting and "noisy back-slapping".

Mats was the re-knowing my classmates and the men I came of age with. It was the meeting of young men and sharing insights of the Franciscan vision. To the young friars and the younger men in formation, bear with us and perhaps we will be caught up in your enthusiasm.

OK - Peace!

Berard Connolly, O.F.M.



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October 5th, 1971

Dear Father Martial,

Received your check yesterday. My thanks to you and to Father Provincial.

Had a good St. Francis Day. I made up a morning liturgy here at Sangre and in the evening Roy and I and the director, Charlie Reutemann, went to the Santa Fe cathedral for pontifical Mass. After Mass the friars at the cathedral had all of us over for a great Santa Fe dinner and then a grand spielhaben mitt. Ended up with about twenty friars, the archbishop, a dozen secular priests and a goodly number of Christian Brothers from the local high school and the College of Santa Fe. Father Blaise Shauer, O.P., a local pastor, gave the sermon. He lived with our men in Las Cruces while Newman Chaplain. He's an artist/liturgist, in that order!

Good workshop this week by Dr. Jean Rosenbaum, local shrink who has had a lot of experience with the Brothers and also the St. John Province friars. The workshop is on chastity and last afternoon we talked on sublimation - hence this letter!

Fraternally,

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September 9th, 1971

Dear Father Provincial —

Greetings from high in the Sangre de Cristo mountains. The Sangre experience is going well. I feel it will be well worth while. I am greatly impressed by the community sense of the Christian Brothers. — True, anything is anti-climatic after Mats!! I hope I don't bore these monks in telling them of the spirit of Mats.

The staff here is excellent. This evening we begin a workshop with Fr. John Gallen, SJ, a theologian-liturgist. Then of course the spirit of Gabriel Moran is in the halls.

I hate to say this but we will need money. The tuition, including room and board and books comes to \$1700.00. And they don't give Blue Chip Stamps. I personally feel it well worth it. The instructors are excellent and the room and meals are more than a good friar (eg: myself) should experience. With an evening social hour everyday I'll turn into a lush.

Bro. Timothy McCarthy said the tuition could be paid by installments if necessary. The check should be made out to Sangre de Cristo Center and could be sent to me and I'll turn it over.

I hope I will be able to repay the Province.

Fraternally,

Bened

PS: A Brother Francis Blouin, Provincial of the Brothers of Christian Instruction, sends you regards. Met you at the Major Superiors meet.

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October 15, 1971

Dear Brother Gerard:

Greetings! Your letter together with the copy of the letter to Westfriars arrived during the meeting of the definitorium. And I want to thank you heartily for it. I, too, was deeply disappointed with that issue of Westfriars. I hope it did not do harm,--also to those of other provinces who were looking to this event with real hope.

It is good to get your report on the experience there. I would like to talk over your experience at Sangre sometime during December. I know it is not allowed for you to leave before it is finished. But, perhaps I will be able to get up there while I am in Arizona. I will be in Phoenix starting Dec. 1st and possibly can come over on Dec. 4th or 5th. Would this fit in with the rules, etc?

All best wishes and regards from the definitorium. Fraternally,

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November 13, 1971

Dear Brother Berard:

Greetings! I have just returned from the meeting of the friars in Spokane. It was really good to get all of them together and to go over the plans for the province and the order. We also had the election of the new Abbess of the Poor Clares, Sister Mary Rita Dolan. And one evening we had the Franciscan Sisters of La Crosse together for an evening of discussion on the Franciscan life. It was a great opportunity.

While I was there I heard that you had expressed the thought that you would possibly not be coming back to Spokane. I thought it best to write to you to see just what you had come to by way of a decision in this. I certainly want to be able to work along with you as to the best situation. If you have come to any decision be sure to let me know. Even if I cannot get down to you there in Santa Fe, I would surely like to discuss this with you, possibly by phone, in case you cannot get to Phoenix sometime around Dec. 6th.

You surely have a lot of good friends in Spokane, and I am sure that both Tom and Jay are very sincere in wanting what is best for you.

With every best wish and hoping to hear from you at your convenience,

Fraternally in St. Francis,

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November 2nd, 1971

Dear Father Provincial,

Good hearing from you. All goes well as we go into the final month of the "experience".

Charlie Ruetermann, the director, would be more than happy to have you spend as much time at Sangre as you wish. We have plenty of room.

If and when you can make it, let me know and I'll pick you up at the Santa Fe airport or in Albuquerque.

The days you mentioned in December would be in the final days of the program and I believe include a Sisters' panel.

Fraternally,

Bernard

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November 8, 1971

Bro. Berard Connolly, O.F.M.
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Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

Dear Brother Berard,

Greetings: it was good to hear from you in your letter of November 2 which was awaiting me as I arrived back in Oakland. Your report on the experience there is certainly good and I hope that we'll be able to take advantage of their kind invitation for more of the friars who would profit from it. Please thank Charlie Ruetermann for me for the invitation to visit. I had really wanted to get there in December, however it seems that the schedule is closing in on me and I am not going to get a chance to do it. I got word from Mexico that I should be down there during those days I had reserved for Santa Fe. However I certainly would appreciate a chance to see you if you are finished by December 8. I think I will finish up in

Phoenix on Dec. 7. The reason I have to watch the schedule so carefully is that there is a meeting being scheduled in Rome during December or January and the first possible date would be December 9, so I may have to have everything ready to leave for Rome on the 8th. I hope that we will be able to work things out

Phoenix on Dec. 7. The reason I have to watch the schedule so carefully is that there is a meeting being scheduled in Rome during December or January and the first possible date would be December 9, so I may have to have everything ready to leave for Rome on the 8th. I certainly hope we will be able to get together and to get your report on the experience there. If not, I'll be in touch with you as soon as possible.

With every best wish and looking forward to seeing you, I am

Fraternally in St. Francis,

Father Alan, O.F.M.

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November 30th, 1971

Dear Father Provincial,

Many thanks for your kind letter. Things are winding up at Sangre. It has been a great experience, an important one hundred days in my young life!

It's true, I have had questions as to my returning to St. Ann's when Sangre is over. This has caused me an amount of soul searching and the seeking of answers. At this time I feel there are several options.

In regards to St. Ann's. In the letters I receive from Tom I do read a great deal of discouragement. Tom takes things too seriously and to be honest, I do worry about him. He has too much to share with others and it hurts seeing him in such a bind with the apathy and the financial situation at St. Ann's. In Tom's letters I also read that he is not at all sure I should return to St. Ann's, that I will again be dissatisfied with the set-up and with my place in it.

I want to return to St. Ann's only if I can be of some service and a help to Tom and Jay. After Sangre I have the confidence I can be both. I am certainly not as frightened of life as before. While I am disillusioned at the parishioners of St. Ann's I still think I can be of service to the parish and the community.

Several weeks ago I wrote Claude for his estimation of my situation at St. Ann's. I am grateful for his letter. While he admitted much of my work has been taken over by others, he said there is still much I can do. Claude also brought up a point I had not thought of before now. He said I contributed a great deal to the larger Franciscan community in Spokane, the six of us. We do have a good spirit and Claude believes I add a great deal to it. He reminded me that no matter how dedicated others may be, even our very fine Jesuit volunteers, they still do not replace a friar in our Franciscan community living.

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Much of my difficulty at St. Ann's has been caused by a certain diffidence I have. Others, stronger or more competent, can fairly easily take over. I take things personally but too frequently when Tom, or Jay in the church, enter "my domain" I give up and say the hell with it. I have come to realize this at Sangre.

For the present I want to return to St. Ann's only if I can be of service to the friars in Spokane. I know I have many friends there, I am at home, but here at Sangre I know it is the friars I miss. The northwest is pretty much a part of my life now, I guess I will long have a secret yearning to return to Portland.

Lately I have been wondering how I would get along with the Indians. I do think this is more than a new found interest in New Mexico. Years ago, at Malibu, I asked you about the missions.

I hope this letter doesn't add to any confusion regarding St. Ann's. As far as I'm concerned there is no big deal. I was shakey but I think I have much more confidence in myself now. I presume I will continue at Spokane but the possibility of leaving St. Ann's is now more a reality of life. When the day does come I hope to go to, if not to another place in the northwest, to the desert or to a small house on the fringes of the Province. OK - anyplace but California!

I will try to get hold of you during the Arizona meeting. After leaving here on the 9th I plan on going to Las Cruces, then Tucson, Oakland and back to Spokane. I have never been south of San Diego before so I want to make use of the opportunity.

I hope this letter at least tells you of my feeling this evening. I am certainly ready to return to St. Ann's and, I believe, accomplish something there. Should the men there feel I am not needed at this time, then I'm willing to go somewhere else.

Thanks for your concern. Good luck with the meeting.

Faternally,

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November 14th

Dear Father Provincial -

Many thanks for your kind letter. Sorry you can't make it to Sangre but your excuse is strong and will hold! Charlie invites you to stop by anytime.

The "experience" is in its seventy-fifth day today. Has been fantastic. Last week was spent in an audio workshop. Part of it included the breaking us into groups of five to write, "act in" and film a three minute masterpiece. It is hard to explain the re-acting to one another and the feeling this medium gives you. High praise was given the FCC during the workshop. Karl was very kind in sending me films and material for the prayer services I had charge of. I have to take back a few mean things I've said about "The Hour".

Have a copy of the October 31st Arizona Republic. One of the best articles about the friars I've yet read. Hope it makes the rounds of the Province.

Please thank Father Martial for getting me a copy of the Province Song. I want to use it for a liturgy on December 4th. Like most friars, I guess I have never been sober enough when its been sung to get beyond the chorus. Also, you might remind Father Martial of Phase II of my room, board and tuition.

Good luck in your several meetings. I hope our paths will cross on my way back to Spokane.

Fraternally,

Berard

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Dear Father Provincial,

Just a quick note to let you know I am back in Spokane. After Sangre and after visiting with a good number of friars in New Mexico and Arizona I came home to Spokane a few days before Christmas. Tried to contact you in Oakland but you had already left for Negros.

It is good being home again. Had a few days of re-entry difficulty but feel I am settled down now. The personal peace I feel and a much greater self confidence are proving themselves. I will write a resume of my re-action to Sangre in a few days. Saw Angelo at San Juan and really encouraged him.

Fred is in the afternoon. We have a nice bunch of people in this Inland Empire! I think we do appreciate one another.

Will get that report off to you soon as I catch up on things like the house accounts(!) and etc. Thanks again for the opportunity of Sangre.

Fraternally,

Brad

January 12, 1972

Dear Gerard:

Cheerings! I want to thank you for the great spirit you showed in the painful situation of this past week. I know it has been difficult for you, and my prayer is that this new assignment will be of great help to you and to the team there in Provo.

Father Howard is happy to have you with them, -and I am sure that you will see that it is a real team ministry, -and that you have a great deal to contribute. I know that all you received at Sangre de Cristo Center can be put to very good use there in Provo.

For one thing you will not miss the snow of the Northwest. Provo really gets its share. And perhaps you will be learning to ski, in case you haven't picked this up yet.

All best wishes and regards to the friars,

Fraternally in St. Francis,

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Ans 3/24

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI CHURCH

172 NORTH 5TH WEST
PROVO, UTAH 84601

Dear Father Provincial,

In the happenings in my life these past weeks - and inspite of our frequent seeing of one another - I don't think I fully expressed my gratitude to you and the Province for letting me attend Sangre de Cristo. Each day more of Sangre comes to me. I honestly wonder how things would have gone were it not for the Sangre experience.

I find it impossible to tell what Sangre does for a Brother. I guess it does something different and yet the same for each Brother. The peace I found in those mountains has managed to survive and more than once it has fought the bitterness which seeks a place in my heart.

The enclosed is a letter I sent my "classmates" of Sangre '71. It tells a little of how I am finding life in this Happy Valley. Also a copy of a letter Brother Charles Reutermann wrote. Charlie is one of the great people I have met in my lifetime. The letters I have received from various Christian Brothers has been a great boost. I hope to talk Tony into visiting Santa Fe with me. If not, I may thumb but I want to see Charlie and to be there while Angelo is part of the Sangre experience.

Thanks again, Father. Please pray for me because we Irish have long memories and our hurt too easily turns to bitterness. Being otherwise is what this whole Christian business is about -- even in Zion.

Faternally,

Beane

OFM CONN 1

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March 12, 1972

Dear Berard,

Greetings! It was good to hear from you from the shade of Mount
Angelo was much interested to hear of your whereabouts, and he
has your address, so I hope he keeps in touch with you. Your
description of your sudden switch from Seattle had me really
wondering, for I couldn't imagine what would have turned people
off so strongly -- hardly a beard, I hope! Oh well, you seem to
have adjusted to it beautifully, and in true and deep Franciscan
style. You are indeed a true poverello, and you haven't lost
your humor! How wonderful!

Here, we're about one month into the program, and the date for
finishing (since you asked for it) is May 18th. By all means,
thrust your way down to see us. Things have been going very well,
I would say -- no big hang ups, and we've passed through the
reading interviews uneventfully!! The one distinctive feature
of the past three weeks is the extraordinary weather -- it's
been practically summer, blue skies and all that. The forsythia,
jonquils, hyacinth, etc. are all in bloom, and fifteen large-mouth
bass have been caught in the pond. And Blackie is going about
with his tongue hanging out more than usual.

Tim finishes this session at Sangre and, although he had been
scheduled to go to the College of Santa Fe, he now is in the running
for Associate Visitor (Provincial) of the New York Province. I
think his slate (there are five men on the slate) will get it. The
elections are in mid-March. Harv is fine, and looking forward to
more summer courses at St. Mary's in Winona. For myself, it will
be a busy summer, with a two-week workshop here, a week with the
Brothers of Christian Instruction at Narragansett, R.I., and two
weeks with young Brothers at Plano, Illinois.

Had you heard that Francisco Lujan had a stroke in December? He
is recovered, though he has a slight impediment of speech. He has
had to cut out cigarettes and booze -- the cigarettes being the tougher
one.

Your work sounds "fascinating" and challenging. It should bring out
all those fine qualities of warmth, empathy, and humor which you have.
Whenever things get tough, just give them a homily and they'll come
around!!

The best for the moment, Berard. As ever, and with love.

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St. Francis of Assisi Parish

172 E. 5th North

Provo, Utah 84601

Sangre has been on my mind the past several days. This evening I am gathering a few of my thoughts, my address book and an unused ditto machine. Don't particularly like "machined letters" but at my rate it would take half a year to write you.

After saying goodbye to Franny several times in Albuquerque, I flew on to Juarez. [I'll tell Dale about Juarez when he's older.] Visited with our friars in New Mexico and in the Arizona Indian Missions for a week. Roy wasn't home. He was in Mexico looking for Ojo's or whatever her name is. I made it back to Spokane December 18th.

Whatever problems I had with my situation at Spokane, and as you may know this was a concern of mine at Sangre, quickly dissipated when I returned. The people I lived with weren't as convinced of Sangre as I and within a week my Provincial told me I was black-balled and would I go to Provo, Utah. The Franciscans are wont to say "I experienced perfect joy" which was Francis' way of telling it when your own receive you not. Anyhow, perhaps it is all for the best and I am now once more finding my place in this God's world.

Utah is the Land of Mormon, the Land of Promise. The cities of Ophir (pop. 47) and Lehi are to the north of us, the peoples of Nephi and Juab to the south. Mt. Nemo stands to the east and Mt. Moab guards us as a sentinel to the west. Hell, even the River Jordan flows in this parish! Provo is a city of 20,000 plus another 25,000 students at Brigham Young University. The town is 98.9% Mormon so no one smokes [Not even tobacco!] and few will drink even coffee. The town's two taverns, "Barney's" and "Gordie's" sell only beer and this to the Catholics and renegade Mormons! I believe three blacks live in Provo. These play basketball at BYU [but no priesthood], there are few long hairs and about the only freaks you see are hard faced old ladies carrying the Book of Mormon. Still, there are advantages like being able to walk any street and at any hour day or night without the fear of being mugged.

Our St. Francis of Assisi Parish covers the whole of Utah County, or 12,500 square miles. In all this space there are still only 400 Catholic families. Our people mostly work at the US Steel mill in Geneva or on sheep ranches. Last summer the parish closed both its grade and high school so we are looking for those "new ways". And isn't everyone? I'm listed as an "assistant in the pastoral team", whatever that means.

I am getting pretty involved with visiting families and in the neighborhood discussion groups. Here I am grateful to Sangre and to the good theology of Tim McCarthy (eg: The Centrality of St. Anthony). Sundays I go on the "road show" or the missions. Have a Communion service if no priest is around. [I did study under Marvi] or else I entertain the kids, read at Mass and lead the singing. This is no doubt my just reward for any uncharitable thoughts I kept while Frankie Nolan played his guitar. Little by little I am learning names and names are becoming persons. I like our people and I hope they will like me. It does take a little while to know what a really nice guy I am.

My main job is being Catholic chaplain at the Utah State Hospital and at the State Training School. The State Hospital as you may guess from the name is a mental hospital. About 20 Catholics out of 440 patients. Ratio for Utah.

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I try to visit my people at the State Hospital two or three times a week. Mostly just listen. Saturday morning I have a liturgy which really wanders. Lots of symbols! At the hospital I am in contact with quite a few younger people. Even in Utah, the Promised Land, kids are screwed-up on drugs. Have come on some very tragic situations. The Mormon Church has such a tight hold on life, especially in the small towns - and in Utah each town is smaller than the next -, that many kids are ready to explode. Drugs are an attractive temptation. They appear to be a contact with the "outside world", the world beyond Utah's mountains.

The State Training School is for the severely retarded. After my initial shock, I'm sure Doctor Renaud will appreciate my feeling, I am now better able to see beyond deformity, drooling, vacant stares and animal-like grunting and I am seeing persons. I'm meeting fellow human beings who must have some mysterious purpose in our sharing of life. There is little I can do for them except to hug them, hold their hand or let the little deaf-mute feel my beard. They, however, are helping me grow into a new dimension of life.

When I look back at the past several months I can see how God does do some of the things we talked about at Sangre. I wonder how I would have faced my share of life these past few months if it hadn't been for Sangre de Cristo.

It was hard leaving the northwest, my home for fifteen years, and especially in the circumstances under which I left. But if I had never left I would never have known how much I love others and how many do love me. Hell, when I kissed the Marycliff High girls goodbye..... sorry about that, Rita!

At Sangre I gained a peace of mind and a self-confidence which has been a mainstay to me these past months. I am now settling down. Charlie and Tim's classes are filtering through, last night I sounded like an expert telling about Goodie's color cards and John's sacramental theology was a new opening in my life.

So, good morn, just wanted to tell you that no matter if it rains or freezes I have my plastic Jesus and life goes on. Goes on much better and is much happier because we shared Sangre together.

Peace and watch out for those Jewish Genies.

Berard Connolly, O.F.M.

HELP US HELP THEM

Heavenly Father of us all, You have entrusted the care of Your underprivileged children to the more fortunate members of Your earthly family.

In the accomplishment of this exceptional responsibility, we beseech Your divine assistance.

Supply for the defects of our wisdom; for the deficiencies of our ways; for the restraining of our individual energies which might threaten the effectiveness of our mission.

Help us to educate the educable; to train the trainable; to inspire the uninspired; and to be completely dependable with the totally dependent.

Make us kind but never dull; moderate but never mediocre; profound but never severe.

Give us in the special work You have assigned us and prompt us to use the special gifts You have allotted us to bring blessings into the lives of the special children You have entrusted to us.

Amen

Berard Connolly, O.F.M., Catholic Chaplain
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State Training School, American Fork, Utah
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ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI CHURCH
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May 17th, 1972

Dear friends,

Let me introduce myself. I am a Franciscan stationed in Provo, Utah. I am here four months now after having spent eighteen years in schools and parishes in the Pacific Northwest. At Provo I have the care of Catholics at both the Utah State Hospital and the State Training School in American Fork.

I have a list of children at the Training School who are baptized Roman Catholics and this is where I obtained your addresses. I hope I will meet some of you either at the school or through the Association of Parents for the school. If I am visiting in your area I may be able to visit you at your home.

I stop at the Training School once or twice a week. On Thursday afternoons I try to visit Mrs. Vera Harding's class and in the early evening have a class and a liturgy for a few of the more able children.

We both know your children at the Training School are very special people. As far as their spiritual welfare is concerned there is little I need do. They "have it made"! I do want to bring those able to share in them, the Sacraments which are their right as baptized Catholics but even here the Sacrament is the external sign of a unity these children already have with Our Lord.

The one "sacrament" I can bring them all is the gift of human concern. In the three months I have attended the school I have become so convinced of the importance of the human touch, a smile, a show of love and affection which must be ours if we are called Christian. Your children at the school may be "deprived" of much in life but perhaps by not being cluttered with so much of life they can understand a bit more clearly the bond between one person and another. I believe we call this bond simply "love".

Each week I see this in the gratitude of the children at class and in the warm greeting I receive whenever I visit a cottage. Alpine comes to mind right now. I know this in the excitement whenever a parent is coming to visit a child.

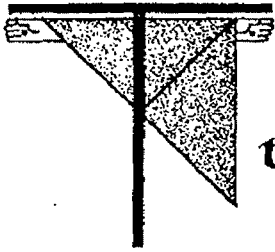
I hope you will let me know if there is anything I can do for your child. Here, except for the love all Christians must have, my experience is limited. I have the greatest respect for the staff and policy of the Training School and am anxious to work with them. We are interested in your child.

Finally, and personally, I do want to thank you because your children at the State Training School have shown me a new dimension to life and for this I am grateful.

The Lord bless you and give you and your child His Peace!

Berard Connolly, OFM
Brother Berard Connolly, O.F.M.

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Santaquin
Salem
Lake Shore
Mill Fork
Benjamin
Lake View
Spring Lake
Tucker
Thistle
Birdseye
Cedar Fort
Gilluly
Fairfield
Mapleton
Springville
Spanish Fork
Payson
Provo
Colton
Pines
Orem
Gomer
Castilla
Lindon
Pleasant Grove
Moark Jct.
American Fork
Lehi
Alpine
Valley View
Aspen Grove
Edgemont
Olmstead
Wildwood

May 28th, 1972

Dear Father Provincial,

Enclosed is a summary of a questionnaire sent to each Brother who has made the Sangre experience. I certainly agree with the summation, especially in the expressions regarding found peace of heart, self-confidence and a new appreciation of our religious life. As I mentioned to you, I personally found courage in facing the differences and the uniqueness in the life of the friar minor. I hope you will find the summary of interest and perhaps you may wish to pass it on to the formation committee.

Life goes well in Zion. Last weekend I had the invocation for the annual parents' meeting at the State School for the severely retarded over in American Fork. I understand there was a bit of objection in having a gentile speak; everyone from Governor and Mrs. Rampton on down were very affable. I was glad for this opportunity because I am trying to work my way into the parents' organization and auxiliary groupings. This would be especially true in regard to the Training School. Spiritually these people "have it made" but some parents do seem to need encouragement. — As long as I'm filling this envelope I'll include a letter I recently sent to the parents, if I can find a copy.

I well realize the importance of balance so I have volunteered to help the diocesan high school SEARCH program. Also there's plenty of our own parish outlets.

I plan on attending a wedding in Spokane next month. This will be my first visit back. Tom graciously invited me to share in the wedding liturgy and to stay at St. Ann's "if it would not be too difficult". I will always appreciate Tom's goodness.

BYU graduated over 3,000 yesterday so the town seems to be folding up until the start of summer school. The BYU kids do so much for this area and their zeal is boundless. They are for the most part a very handsome lot which gives credence to the belief that Brother Brigham married often but well.

Fraternally,

Bernard

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June 1, 1972

Dear Berard:

Greetings! Many thanks for your recent letter. The Sangre experience seems to have brought a very positive response from the men who took it. And from our own men I can see that it is just what can fill a great need today. I will really be able to use this report.

Brother Sean wrote about a program they have for older brothers. He sent some material on this and I have offered it to some of the men who would fit into these years. We may not get anyone for it this Summer. But, I hope we will be able to get more and more of the older men to take advantage of such a program.

Congratulations on your work with the retarded. Your card and your letter are really impressive. I know you will get a great response from the parents, who are in such a difficult situation.

Good that you can get to Spokane for the wedding. The friars will surely be happy to have you back for the visit. We hope to have a few of the simply professed up that way in September.

Your impressions of BYU are really very interesting. I know that you see the positive side of all, and there is surely a great deal of good in those young people.

All best wishes and regards to the friars,

Fraternally in St. Francis,

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EVERETT, WISE COMPANY OF BUREAU WICO' INC

Ans. 8/15/72

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI CHURCH

172 NORTH 5TH WEST

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8-12-72

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Dear Father,

Father Howard asked me to send you this copy of today's Sunday bulletin. Now we'll just sit back and see what happens next. Last Sunday I held Communion Services at the Mission Stations - at least the homily was short - and tomorrow an Oblate will be in to help with the Masses.

We heard this morning through a parishioner that Tony is also at Lynnwood. Was operated on yesterday for his back.

Otherwise, all is well in Zion, Tomorrow I leave on my vacation. Howie felt it better I go now before things pick up in September.

Fraternally,

Ben



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Santaquin
Salem
Lake Shore
Mill Fork
Benjamin
Lake View
Spring Lake
Tucker
Thistle
Birdseye
Cedar Fort
Gilluly
Fairfield
Mapleton
Springville
Spanish Fork
Payson
Provo
Colton
Pines
Orem
Gomer
Castilla
Lindon
Pleasant Grove
Moark Jct.
American Fork
Lehi
Alpine
Valley View
Aspen Grove
Edgemont
Olmstead
Wildwood

Dear Father,

We thought you might be interested in this article we were able to get in the Salt Lake Register. The paper itself is so bad it might be considered pornographic but if you stick with it to the back page you will be rewarded by the Utah County friars.

Also, I was interviewed on KBYU-TV - the voice of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints - before Christmas. It was a short interview but I was able to quote the Wheaton statement. Now if I could only live it!

It was a good Christmas in Zion. Shared in the warmth of several families and hope I was able to bring a bit of warmth to my people at the State Hospital. Tony and I are well taking care of the Arizona Definitior.

Christmas wishes to all!

Fraternally,

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American Fork, Utah
Saturday Mass: 8:00 p.m.

172 North 5th West
Provo, Utah

Payson, Utah
Saturday Mass: 6:00 p.m.

August 13, 1972

Sunday Masses: 8:30 and 10:30 a.m., 12:15 p.m.
Daily Mass: 9:00 a.m.

What's It All About...?

In recent years there has been greater humanness shown in the interpretation of the vow of religious obedience. Priests, Brothers, Sisters have been consulted about their preferences in work and assignments. This has helped to ease the tensions of work and made situations more compatible and happier. Thus everyone can do a better job religiously. However, we are all a prey to self-deception. How many times have we pushed ourselves beyond the limit? How many times have we neglected to take time off (even when urged by friends)? The vow of religious obedience for the Priest, Brother, Sister is a protection against this kind of self-deception. The superior, who has the total spiritual and physical welfare of each member as his responsibility, can order the necessary help. What a welcome change in the attitude of the Church and Religious Orders; people are not sacrificed on the altar of institutions and projects. The individual spiritual welfare takes priority over all else.

About a week ago Father Matt was called to San Francisco to meet with Father Alan McCoy, O.F.M., the Superior of all the Franciscans in the West. As a result of this meeting Father Matt was asked to check in to St. Francis Hospital, Lynwood, California. It is well known, Father Matt has had a health problem for many years and has frequently gone to this hospital for treatment. It is here that the doctors who are familiar with his condition can give him the best help and care. There is no immediate prospect of Father's return.

The Bishop of Salt Lake has been informed of this turn of events. After consultation with him and others we will have to adapt and reorganize our services both here at St. Francis and our mission stations of Payson and American Fork. Beginning next weekend the tentative schedule will be:

Friday: Confessions - 4:30 to 5:00 and 8:00 to 8:30 p.m.

Saturday: Payson Mass - 6:30 p.m.

American Fork Mass - 8:00 p.m.

Sunday: St. Francis Mass - 8:30, 10:30 a.m. and 12:15 p.m.

The most creative, healing and human way for a man to peckon with pressures is by living in the present with others, borrowing light from the past, hope from the future. That's what it's all about.

Fr. Howard

St. Francis Annual (get acquainted) Parish Picnic 4:00 to 9:00 a.m., Aug. 13th

Come to the Provo Lion's Club Park, 850 West 1280 North, this afternoon at 4:00 p.m. with your picnic lunch and your own eating utensils. We will have other parishioners to visit with, a soft ball game to watch or participate in, races and games for the smaller kids, music to listen to and enjoy, prizes for the winners of the races, large watermelon, punch and coffee, and lots of tables and chairs in the shade of the pavilion for eating and visiting. Ice cold beer will be available for a nominal donation of .25 per can. Please put all garbage and refuse in the large garbage cans that are available.

PARISH Picnic Committee

Workshop begins tomorrow

A workshop, open to all members of the parish, and based on an informative work kit from the Diocesan CCB office, will tomorrow, August 14th, and last for six weeks. The classes will begin at 8:00 p.m. and will meet in the lower meeting room of the factory. All CCB teachers for the year are required to take the course.

Assumption

Tuesday, August 15th, is the Feast of the Assumption. Masses will be at 8:00, 9:00 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.

From St. Peter's Mission - American Fork

The Bake Sale held at Ream's Market in American Fork on Friday, August 4th, was a great success (so successful in fact, we ran out of baked goods early!). Our thanks go to all who donated or helped in any way, especially to our sales girls, Linda, Jackie, and Janet Morrison, Darlene Archuleta and Diane and Susan Pixley.

Don't forget our ground breaking ceremonies for Family Clinic, August 20th, at 2:00 p.m. Everyone is asked to join us on this happy

Prayer

Prayer groups will conduct a Ladies' Prayer Service at 6:00 p.m., August 10th, 17th, and 24th, at St. Anne's Church, 1000 Canyon Blvd. (corner of 10th and 1st St.). Please bring your own candles and kneeling pads for more information, please call or drop word, as desired.

Conventions

Our church is currently celebrating

the 25th anniversary of the founding of our community and celebrating the 50th anniversary of the founding of the Diocese of San Francisco. We are celebrating these milestones with a series of events. Please bring your own candles and kneeling pads for more information, please call or drop word, as desired.

The Christian mission in the world today is to bring the Kingdom of Justice and Peace to all. We are called to bring about equality. Help your brother and sister to help others through St. Vincent's. Call Ann and Beth Timony, 874-8894.

Attention Knights of Columbus

Due to the remodeling of Social Hall, meetings will be held at Veterans Hall on the northwest corner of 1st North and 3rd East.

Council Minutes

The minutes from the last Council Meeting and a complete financial report are posted on the bulletin board in the vestibule. Collection Aug. 6th - \$548.00

Addresses

We have had several requests for the address of Brother Paul and Father Matt. Here they are:

Brother Paul Warren, O.F.M.
1512 Euclid Ave.
Berkeley, California 94709

Rev. Matthias Lambert, O.F.M.
St. Francis Hospital
Northwood, California 90762

Remember in your prayers

Our sincere sympathy to the family of Anne, who passed away this past week. Please remember her in your prayers.

Server's Schedule

August 20
8:30 - Tom Corb
10:30 - John Basso
12:15 - Jack Renner

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St. Peter's Mission - American Fork

Sunday at St. Francis - 8:30, 10:00 a.m. and 12:15 p.m. - NO SUNDAY MASS

Friday at St. Francis - 8:00 p.m. Saturday at American Fork - 2:00 p.m.

Confessions will be heard on Fridays from 4:00 to 5:00 and 8:00 to 9:00 p.m.

If you cannot attend Mass in the morning on Sunday, you are most welcome to attend either American Fork or Bayview on Saturdays. Maybe this slight inconvenience will help us to grow more united with our fellow parishioners in the mission areas.

St. Peter's Church
82 North Church St.
American Fork, Utah
Sunday Mass: 12:15 p.m.

St. Francis of Assisi Church
172 North 5th West
Provo, Utah

San Andres Church
685 East 600 South
Payson, Utah
Saturday Mass: 5:30 p.m.

December 24, 1972

Saturday Mass: 7:00 p.m., Sunday Masses: 8:30, 10:30 a.m., Confessions: Saturday 4-5
Weekday Mass: 9:00 a.m.

WE WISH YOU A MERRY CHRISTMAS! ON BEHALF OF MY FRANCISCAN BROTHERS AND SISTER DONNA I PRAY ALL PEACE AND GOODNESS YOURS. I ASK THE INFANT CHRIST TO BLESS YOU NOT WITH THE SWEETNESS OF CHRISTMAS BUT WITH THE GROWTH AND STRENGTH INHERENT IN THE GAYTOR MESSAGE THAT CHRISTMAS IS THE TIME TO ACCEPT OUR HUMANITY AND TO MAKE IT HOLY. JESUS CHRIST, BORN OF THE VIRGIN MARY THIS DAY, IS A MAN LIKE US AND HE IS HOLY.

ANOTHER CHRISTMAS. SOME 2000 CHRISTMASSES SINCE BETHLEHEM OF JUDAH. OBSERVANCES CHANGE IN MAN'S RUSH ALONG THE PARALLEL PATHS OF RELIGIOUS DEVOTION AND VERY HUMAN MERRY MAKING AND THE TWO TOGETHER ARE THE FITTING WAYS OF CELEBRATING THE BIRTH OF THE GOD-MAN AMONG US. JAPANESE LIGHTS REPLACE CANDLES AND EVEN THE FERTILITY SYMBOL THAT TREE WHICH ONCE ONLY GOD COULD MAKE, IS NOW PLASTIC AND HEAT AND FIRE PROOF AND LASTS YEAR AFTER YEAR. AND WHO HAVE WE REPLACED?

LOOK ABOUT US THIS CHRISTMAS 1972. WE ARE LED BY LEADERS (ELECTED BY POPULAR VOTE) WHO CONTINUE TO MAKE CRUEL HEROD'S SLAUGHTER OF THE INNOCENTS A PRIMARY ROMAN HOUSE BY COMPARISON. (BUT THEY'RE NOT LIKE US AND THEY'RE VIETNAMESE!) PARENTS OF THE YOUNG UNWED MOTHER FALL TO JOSEPH'S TEMPTATION TO "POW HER AWAY A QUINCY". THE TEMPLE HAS ITS CONTINUE TO EXOTICIZE IN THE TEMPLE EVEN AS TO WHO SHALL PRAY FOR THE DEAD.

I SAY THESE THINGS NOT TO DENY OUR WISH OF PEACE AND GOODWILL TO ALL, BUT TO GIVE HOPE THAT JUST AS CHRIST DID NOT HESITATE TO GO INTO A WORLD PEOPLED BY PERSONS LIKE YOU AND I, HE DOES THIS CHRISTMAS ACCEPT US. LOOK AT THE GRIN IN CHURCH. IT MEANS NOTHING TO GOD EXCEPT FOR THE DEVOTION OF THOSE WHO BUILT IT. THE STRAW IS SANITIZED AND THE PICTURE OF JOSEPH AND MARY ARE PLASTER OF PLASTIC AND IN ALL FIRMHOOD OUTLIVE HOLLON. SO UNLIKE US WHO LOVE AND HATE AND LAUGH AND CRY IN A VERY UNSANITIZED WORLD. BUT YOU AND I ARE THE ONES GOD BECAME MAN FOR.

AT CHRISTMAS IT IS EASIER TO SAY "I BELIEVE IN GOD". AFTER ALL, DOESN'T EVERYONE? AND THAT BABY IN A CARRIAGE IS PRETTY HARMLESS. OUR LOVE IS BOUNDLESS. WHY WE MAY DROP AN EXTRA COIN IN THE COLLECTION BOX OR THROW A DIME TO THE BEGLING MAN ON CENTER STREET OR SMILE TO THE CLERK AT LONI AND OUR SMILE MIGHT BE RETURNED. IT DOESN'T HURT VERY MUCH TO SAY "I BELIEVE IN GOD. MERRY CHRISTMAS!" THIS CHRISTMAS I ASK YOU TO SAY SOMETHING DIFFERENT. ASK YOURSELF "DOES GOD BELIEVE IN ME?" THE ANSWER WILL HELP YOU HAVE A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS.

BROTHER BERARD

Christmas & New Year's Services

There will be no Masses at the Missions in American Fork or Payson until January 6th. The Saturday and Sunday Masses at St. Francis will remain the same. On Christmas there will be the Midnight Mass (you must have a ticket for admittance, due to the limited seating space). The Masses Christmas morning will be at 8:30 and 10:30. There will be no evening Mass. On New Year's Day Masses will be 8:30, 10:30 a.m. and 12:15 p.m.

New Year's Eve Party

Parishioners are invited to join the Knights of Columbus for their annual New Year's Eve dance. It will be held on December 31st at the Women's Cultural Center in Provo. Admission is \$15 per couple. This includes live music, m. noisemakers and other party atmosphere a midnight buffet dinner. See Ray Aitken or any Knight for details and tickets. Only 80 couples can be accommodated.

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We welcome Father Solano Haugh, O.F.M., to Zion. Father Solano, a classmate of Father Howard's, is helping us out while Father Howard is visiting his parents in Sacramento. This has been the one opportunity for Father Howard to get away and we are very grateful to Father Solano.

Father Solano is a Definitor or Senator of our Franciscan Province, Superior and Superintendent of St. John's High School at Tucson, Arizona, Chairman of the Indian Board for the Missions of Arizona and New Mexico and above all a genial friar from Konatke (where the grass grows thin).

Next Sunday Father Solano will preach on the Indian Missions and a second collection will be taken for these missions. We know you will do whatever you can for the poorer among us. Thanks.

Parish Council Election

Please take a few minutes from the holiday rush and consider who you feel would be an asset to St. Francis Parish as a member of the Parish Council. Then choose that person (or persons) for their consent, place their name on the nomination ballot (copies are available at the rectory) and hand it in. The election will be held on January 14th. Nominations must be in by January 7th.

The Kingdom of Christ is in his Kingdom with all mankind, the bringing together of the whole human family through love. The King is born. Long live the King! Let him live in your hearts through loving others. Give to St. Vincent DePaul's, 10411 Ave and Bath, Monterey. 374-8901.

Holy Father's Christmas Mass

A live broadcast of our Holy Father's Christmas Mass will be seen over station KSL-TV at 4:00 p.m. today, December 24th.

Collection Envelopes

You have probably noticed that your envelopes for January have different numbers on them. As in the past, we have our parishioners re-numbered each year due to the many newcomers and the loss of a few others. If any of you do not receive envelopes and would like to, please contact Louise Gaff, 374-0887.

Forty Hours Devotion

Forty Hours Devotion will be held at St. Francis in January.

Key 73

We received a letter this past week from Father Sweeney telling of a program in which 150 Christian denominations and evangelistic groups in the United States and Canada have voted to cooperate in a massive campaign during the year 1976. The outward sign will be planned as a NOON CALL TO PRAYER. Every church which has a bell will ring it at noon from Christmas to the Epiphany (Jan. 6). Please stop a minute in prayer whenever you may happen to be when you hear the bells.

PARISH NEWS

Continued from Page Two
Herrington and Sandra Bridg-
es. The Advent Wreath was
lighted by Veronica Lankford.
The Offertory Gifts were pre-
sented by Tanya Summers
and Debra Killian. The Scrip-
ture Reading were given by
Ed Gudac and Jeff Duncan.
Hans Parkinson gave the
Prayer of the Faithful. A Com-
munion Breakfast was serv-
ed, after Mass, under the di-
rection of Mrs. Joseph Rotz-
ler and Mrs. J. A. McKnight.

The annual parish Christ-
mas Party was held Sunday,
December 17, in the parish
hall. A pot-luck dinner was
held, followed by a Christmas
Program, presented by the
children of the Grade School
of Religion. This was under
the direction of Sister Regina

and Sister Mary Michael. The
hostesses for the day were
Mrs. Jerome Reinhart and
Mrs. Ted Stroh. The program
ended with the singing of
Christmas Carols, and the ap-
pearance of Santa Claus.

Father George F. Davich,
pastor, hosted a Christmas
Party for the Altar Society, at
the rectory, December 20. Sev-
eral readings were given by
members of the Altar Society,
and prayers were offered for
peace. The evening also con-
sisted of a social hour, and
music provided by Debbie
Carr. Mrs. William Sandras
was hostess.

The High School of Religion
held its Christmas Party, at
the rectory, December 19.
Packages were delivered to
the Stewart Convalescent
Home, and to the elderly
parishioners. The group sang
Christmas Carols at the rest
home, under the direction of
Debbie Carr, Mrs. Phil Nich-
olls, Richard Jacobson and
Mrs. Dan Coney. The group
then returned to the rectory,
for a pizza party and social
hour.

A candle-light Mass was
celebrated at Midnight on
Christmas. Participants in the
Mass were: Burt Merlidy,
commentator; Michael Reim-
art and Mrs. Amos Merlidy,
lectors; Ed Gudac and Jeff
Duncan, Masters of Cere-
monies; Jaycee McCauley,
Prayer of the Faithful. The
Offertory Gifts were present-
ed by the Carl Schoenberger
family.

The church decorations were
under the direction of Mrs.
Ned Lea. These consisted of a
large hocked tree, trimmed
and lighted in red, also all
pews, and candelabras, were
trimmed with red satin bows.
A Nativity scene, made by
Mrs. Jack Kier, Mrs. Bud
Pease and Mrs. Ann Gillette,
was placed in front of the al-
tar. A second nativity scene
was displayed, in the vesti-
bule of the church.

During the Christmas Mid-
night Mass music was provid-
ed by Mrs. Roene DiFiore of
Dixie College, assisted by
Debbie Carr, on the guitar.

Utah County Franciscans

By Bernard Connolly, O.F.M.

"We climbed a small hill,
and beheld the lake and the
wide valley of Nuestra Senora
de la Merced de Los Timpa-
nogotsis..." — the diary of
Father Escalante, September
23, 1776.

With this simple entry — the
coming of the first white men
into present day Utah County
is recorded. Every Utah
schoolboy knows these first
explorers were the Francis-
cans Sylvestre Escalante,
and Francisco Dominguez. Es-
calante and Dominguez camp-
ed in Utah County, near
the present city of Spanish
Fork, which they named "Rio
de Aguas Calientes," for the
hot springs still found at Cas-
tilla. An overland route from
the City of the Holy Faith in
New Mexico to Serra's Cali-
fornia Missions was the pur-
pose of the expedition. While
the Franciscans remained in
Utah only a short while, it
was time enough to teach a
few Indians about the One
God who loved them, to meet
tribal chiefs of the Tim-
panogas, "the fish eaters",
and to hear stories about the
very end of the earth at the
strange sea of salt water forty
miles to the north. Their
final instruction to the Indians
was to pray the names of Je-
sus and Mary and perhaps
someday the God of love
would again be with them in
the person of brown-robed
men who laughed and who
loved the little ones.

Utah would become truly a
cross-roads of the west.

The explorers, Provot, Bridg-
er and William Ashley, passed
through. In 1842 the Mormon
Pioneers under the leader-
ship of Brigham Young enter-
ed Utah after their heroic
trek from Nauvoo, Illinois.
The white man had come to
Utah to stay. In March 1849
John S. Higbee was called by
Brigham Young to found the
city of Provo.

The spiritual welfare of the
few Catholics to be found in
Utah County was looked after
by Bishop Scanlon as early as
1878. The bishop, with his own

ed the lor... who shared
with the p... who kissed the
leper and who asked for can-
dy on his death bed to make
amends to Brother Ass as he
called his body, asked but one
thing of his followers. He ask-
ed that they be men who
go about spreading joy and
peace; saying yes to life,
bringing the sense of commu-
nity to all. He asked his broth-
ers to simply say "The Lord
give you peace." To constant-
ly remind his brothers of their
mission he called them "friars
minor" or in today's English,
"lesser brothers."

It may seem Franciscans
have always been around. We
find the minor brothers con-
fronting the king and the sul-
tan, dying with the poor in
plagues, charting new lands
where to tell the Christ-story
as did Escalante and Dom-
inguez, a St. Anthony finding
lost keys and hopefully, being
men who laugh and who love
the poor. For the past forty-
one years the Franciscans
have struggled in the growing
time with the few Catholic pio-
neers in Utah County, travel-
ing from coast to coast beg-
ging for a school when a
school seemed necessary,
licked tens of thousands of
Green Stamps so "their" chil-
dren could ride buses to
school, have shared the joys
and the sorrow of Utah Coun-
ty people and again, hopefully,
have been men who laughed
and who loved the poor.

Franciscans serving in
Utah County are members of
the Province of St. Barbara
whose headquarters are in
Oakland, California. This
Province is composed of four
hundred friars wandering in
the Western part of the United
States and in the Negro Ori-
ental district of the Philip-
pines. Seventy-five young men
who have decided to throw
their lot in with Francis of As-
sisi are in formation houses in
San Francisco, Sacramento,
Phoenix, Spokane and at the
University of California at
Berkeley. Under the leader-
ship of Father Alan McCoy,
O.F.M., Minister Provincial,
the lesser brothers are to be
found wherever there are
poor, wherever there is cause
to bring peace. They labor in
parishes in seven states, serve
the poor in a dozen large cit-
ies, bring courage to the mi-

P.A., who is religious coordi-
nator of the parish.

What of the future? Seven
hundred years have passed
since the first Franciscans be-
gan their journey, one hun-
dred ninety-six since Esca-
lante, but the message of
Francis is ever new. Ever new
because it is a call to the gos-
pel of Jesus Christ. Last year
Franciscans gathered at
Wheaton, Illinois, to reaffirm
the direction of the Order to-
day. This "Wheaton State-
ment" is another expression
of Francis of Assisi for our
time...

"As a body of men and wom-
en who profess Jesus Christ
as Lord and who claim Fran-
ciscan as their brother, we de-
clare in hope, that these words
are meant to become realized
in us this day as we search
for a way to become good
news to all men.

We acknowledge that the
way is an Exodus, in a world
oppressed by the sin of men
who tend to lord it over one
another, whose guilt we admit
in ourselves, whose crying
need for redemption we share,
whose plight has moved the
heart of a merciful God who
came as one of us promising
a life where all men are as
brothers and leaving us a
power, completely beyond our
powers, to help make this fu-
ture possible. While we know
that God is present every-
where, nevertheless by the
pattern of His comings we
seek Him, like Francis before
us, especially among the poor.
We recognize as God's poor
all those who suffer broken-
ness, of heart, mind, body,
dignity and relationships.

To all these suffering their
powerlessness, be it social or
moral, we are convinced we
dare not go except as men
and women who have nothing
to lose, who seek to gain noth-
ing, and who expect to re-
ceive more than we offer,
though it be our all.

It must be clear that the
power we offer comes from
God through Jesus. We at-
tempt to run the way of Fran-
ciscan. We recognize in him a
man divested of illusions of
grandeur. Being totally over-
taken by a God who became
one of us, Francis purposely
sought occasions to draw close-
ness to the poorest of the poor.



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d by Mrs. Roene DiFiore
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Jebbie Carr, on the guitar.

**DURING 1973 PLAN
TO VOLUNTEER
YOUR SERVICES TO
SOME PARISH, OR DI-
OCESAN ACTIVITY.
TO MENTION A FEW:
MEN AND WOMEN
ARE NEEDED IN THE
BOY SCOUT AND
GIRL SCOUT PRO-
GRAMS, IN CCD
WORK, IN THE 1973
DIOCESAN DEVELOP-
MENT DRIVE, AS-
SISTING WITH THE
CYO, PARISH BAS-
KETBALL, BASEBALL
OR FOOTBALL
COACHING, AS PINK
LADIES IN ONE OF
OUR CATHOLIC HOS-
PITALS.**

**CONSULT YOUR
PASTOR AS TO
WHERE YOU MAY
HELP. MANY HAVE
SKILLS, TALENT, OR
THAT LOVE, THAT
WILL FURTHER THE
WORK OF CHRIST
AND HIS CHURCH.**

Catholics to be found in
County was looked after
by Bishop Scanlon as early as
1873. The Bishop with his own
hands and the help of the
dedicated layman, Rocco Rita,
built a church in Provo. The
area was served by traveling
missionaries and resident
priests.

In 1931 the Bishop of Salt
Lake, John J. Mitty, request-
ed the Franciscan Province of
St. Barbara to take over the
care of souls in Utah County.
And one hundred fifty-five
years after the passing
through of Escalante and Do-
mínguez sand-shod feet once
more cast a print in the black
soil of Utah County.

Who are these Franciscans,
these men "who laugh and
who love little ones?" They
are men who since 1212 have
with varying degrees of suc-
cess followed the gospel of Je-
sus Christ by living in obedi-
ence, without property and in
the chaste service of others
following the example of Fran-
cís of Assísí.

The whole world knows
Francís of Assísí and he be-
longs to the world. His genius
in bringing the God-man to
everyone we see at this sea-
son whenever we visit a
Christmas Crèche. Francis,
the man who built churches
with his own hands, who obey-

parishes in seven states, serve
the poor in a dozen cities,
bring courage to mi-
grant worker and support his
efforts for justice, seek am-
nesty for those who will not
make war, conduct radio and
TV programs so Christ may be
the better heard by all, share
the hard lot of the Indian in
Arizona and "wherever the
grass grows thin," sponsor re-
treat and study centers.

Franciscans in Utah County
are Father Howard Hall,
O.F.M., pastor of this parish
of 3,000 square miles and 450
Catholic families. Father How-
ard is also a Senator of the
Church of Salt Lake City and
Spiritual Director of several
dozen Lay Franciscans in the
State. Associates in the pa-
rish are Brothers Anthony La-
vorin, O.F.M. and Berard
Connolly, O.F.M. Brother An-
thony has shared life with
Utah people for nineteen
years and is presently a
"bearded voice in the wilder-
ness" to the far reaches of the
parish. Brother Berard also
has the care of Catholics at
the State Training School in
American Fork and at the
Utah State Hospital in Provo.
Another member of the parish
team who brings both a
Franciscan vision and a femi-
nine quality to the apostolate is
Sister Donna Storms, F.S.

one of us, Francis purposely
sought occasions to draw closer
to the outcast, believing
that there, above all, he would
find his God. In this way he
served them with genuine con-
viction of his own identity as a
lesser brother, whose privi-
lege it was to be among them.

This too, is the call we hear.
We believe it was what Fran-
cís called "the better way."
We seek to:

1. Practice hospitality ex-
pressive of our universal
brotherhood.
2. Celebrate the beauty and
goodness of all God's
world.
3. Give the widest expres-
sion possible to the corpo-
ral and spiritual works of
mercy.
4. Give and live our lives for
the total liberation of every
person as willed by Christ.
5. Educate ourselves to the
cultural sin of abuse and
exploitation in our capital-
istic, consumer society.
6. Patiently and consistently
strip away the non-essen-
tials which clutter our
lives and obstruct the
realization of the Good
News."

We Utah County Francis-
cans with Intermountain Reg-
ister readers and all who are
the Church of Salt Lake City,
a Merry Christmas! Our
prayer for you and for us is
the prayer of Francis of As-
sísí:

Lord, make me an instru-
ment of your peace.
Where there is hatred, let
me show love;
Where there is injury, pa-
don;
Where there is doubt, faith;
Where there is despair,
hope;
Where there is darkness,
light;
And where there is sadness,
joy.
O divine Master, grant that
I may not so much seek
To be consoled as to con-
sole;
To be understood as to un-
derstand;
To be loved as to love.
For it is in giving that we
receive;
It is in parting that we
are pardoned;
And it is in dying that we
are born to eternal life.



Escalante's successors in Utah County (Left to right) Howard Hall, O.F.M., Anthony
Lavorin, O.F.M., Berard Connolly, O.F.M.

January 8, 1973

Bro. Berard Connolly, OFM
172 No. 5th West
Provo, Utah 84601

Dear Berard,

Many, many thanks for your letter along with the bulletin and the fine article you wrote for the Intermountain Catholic. I really think you have a gift for journalism and wield the pen very well. This kind of publicity is helpful to the friars in the area and certainly can be of real service in acquainting young people with our various works. I have felt guilty about having only the three of you there and wish that we could have somebody give you a hand rather soon. I will have to be in touch with Fr. Howard to see if he would want additional help at this time. I know he certainly appreciates the tremendous job that Anthony and yourself are doing. I hope you are all in good health and that the Provo winter is not any worse than the chill of Spokane at this time of year.

With every best wish and greetings to all, I am

Gratefully and fraternally in St. Francis,

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St. Peter's Church
City Hall Building
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Sunday Mass: 12:15 p.m.

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172 North 5th West
Provo, Utah

San Andres Church
685 East 6th South
Payson, Utah
Sat. Mass: 5:30 p.m.

May 6, 1973

Saturday Mass: 7:00 p.m., Sunday Masses: 8:30 and 10:30 a.m.
Weekday Masses: Monday through Friday at 9:00 a.m.

AND BROTHER BERRY
JUBILEE CELEBRATION

Next Friday, May 11th, St. Francis Parish will honor [redacted] and Brother Berard on the occasion of their Silver Jubilee of Franciscan life and service. We will celebrate with a Mass of thanksgiving at 7:00 p.m. This will be followed by a reception with refreshments afterwards in the Social hall. In June the Brothers will join the rest of their class for a class reunion and celebration in California and Guaymas, Mexico.

I've known both "Tony" and "Berry" for the last 25 years. We all started out in the Franciscan life about the same time. We were together years ago both at Santa Barbara and San Luis Rey. They have acquired a touch of grey since then; 25 years of hard work and religious living in friaries like San Francisco, Portland, Spokane, Los Angeles, Malibu, and of course Provo have enriched their gift to God and man. Brother Anthony has given almost twenty years of his life to this parish alone. His Franciscan contribution is unique and unprecedented. It is not an exaggeration to say that he is a legend in his own time.

"Berry" in just a year and a half has captured the hearts of young and old alike. "With the Lilt of Irish laughter you can hear the angels sing..." characterizes his warm, thoughtful and personal communication of the Christian message.

As I invite you to come and celebrate with us in thankfulness for these two brothers, I am reminded of the words of St. Francis concerning one of his first followers, Brother Juniper. "I wish I had a whole forest of such brothers."

Fr. Howard

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Next Saturday, May 12th. Adoration begins at 8:00 a.m. and concludes at 5:00 p.m. Why not spend a quiet half hour (or a few moments) in prayer before Our Eucharistic Lord. You'll be glad you did and the whole parish will benefit by your presence.

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Retreat - we ask your prayers for the large number of young people sharing in an Ecumenical Retreat this weekend. Twelve high school students from St. Francis are in attendance. **OFM CONN 1**

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Attention All Graduating Seniors

There will be a Baccalaureate Mass at 8:30 a.m. Sunday, May 20, for all St. Francis Parish graduating seniors, this includes all High Schools in Utah County. Seniors and their parents will have breakfast at the Elk's Lodge, 1000 South University, PROVO. Cost for the breakfast is \$2.25 per person. Reservations should be made no later than May 13th. Please call one of the following.

Olinghouse	225-2899
Sasso	225-4671
Burnham	374-0717
Morgan	375-2158

Confirmation - Last Monday evening Bishop Joseph L. Federal celebrated the Sacrament of Confirmation with thirty-five of our young people. Again, our congratulations and prayers are with the newly confirmed.

Our thanks to the many who helped make our celebration of Confirmation beautiful and more meaningful. A thank you to Mrs. Bob Kline for playing the organ and to Mrs. Dave Chapman and Mrs. Jerome Denier for handling the reception afterwards.

A special note of appreciation to those parishioners who shared in the confirmation not because they had a relative being confirmed but because they realize Confirmation is a parish celebration. We did miss having the "parish" in attendance. Hopefully, as we grow in the realization of just what "parish" is, we will see more parishioners celebrating Baptisms, First Communions, Marriages, Confirmations and the other Christian-life experiences of fellow parishioners.

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Youth Club - In another week we plan on elections for officers for the parish Youth Club. We ask the young people of the parish to give thought to who they would like elected and to suggest activities for the coming summer and school year. Next week we will have more information on this. Today we ask our young people to give some thought to the youth club. Also - we are looking for an adult couple to help with the youth activities in the parish. More on this next week - but for now, please consider your own qualifications for this frustrating-rewarding-enlightening-enjoyable sharing in the parish. Contact Brother Berry.

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Reunion - Former members of Newman and Scanlan Clubs of the years 1944 to 1954 are invited to a Silver Jubilee Reunion at St. Ambrose Social Center on Saturday, June 16, at 6:30 p.m. If interested, call Mary Ravarino, 278-0085, or Teresa Mates, 467-1424.

Agenda for the Parish Council Meeting to be held Monday evening, May 7th, at 7:30 p.m. in St. Francis Social Hall:

1. By-Law Revisions - Ron Fakler
Chairman
2. Goals and Purposes of Parish
Council Committees

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Congratulations to Dianne Pixley who received a \$100.00 nursing Scholarship from the Lady Elks.

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The banns of marriage are announced between Linda Sandoval of this parish and Mr. Romero.

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The parish thanks Mary Ann Denier and her helpers Jean Denier and Rose Marie Chapman for serving the delicious refreshments after Confirmation last Monday evening. The Social Activities Committee of the Parish Council especially appreciate your help.

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Our sympathy to the Bill Knowles family on the death of Mr. Knowles father, Don Baker Knowles in Seattle.

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Register Donations - Our thanks to the following who paid their register subscriptions the past week: Karl Wanders, Telio Sasso, Etta Buckley, and Oriento Zaccardi.

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For those who care to extend their concern and love for the poor and the forgotten, there is an open invitation to bring food, clothing, and various furnishings. These may be brought to the Friary or left in the garage if there is no one at home. Please bring only clean and usable items. With summer coming on, we will soon have many migrant workers coming into the county along with many other families with

Council Meeting
St. Francis Church

APR 11 1976

Held at San Andres Church, Payson

Present: Frank Becken, Mary Spore, Pete Fakler, Pop Fakler, Emile Perran, Bud Goff, Toffee Hauzen, Kyle Mitchell, Anna Oshorn and Bill Phillips

Exposed: Howard Christensen, Heinz Dabren, Sister Zonna and Father Howard

Absent: Joe Valerio

Visitors: Pedro Gonzalez, Mary Lopez, Lorena Garcia, Josie Martinez and Patry Germano.

Frank Decker opened the meeting with a prayer. He then read the minutes of the last meeting. There were no corrections to the minutes.

Fate Parker discussed the financial report. He noted that we have been losing money each month since Christmas. A letter has been sent to Father to ask him to talk to Grove during April, but we have received no reply. Fate handed out a budget analysis for the first quarter of 1978. Ron stated that they had met with Father to discuss a priority list of items needed during 1978. They are now ready to make up their needs. Frank said this should not necessarily be their goals, but rather a list of descriptions. He asked that all members have a job description ready by the next meeting. Will Phillips felt this would be a great help to those coming on the Council in the future.

Many lawyers asked why the college students were not asked to pay for the treatment delivered to them. I responded that we table discussion this until father or father are here to explain.

Ron then explained the problems to date regarding the drainage problem at the school. They talked this over and met with the City Engineer and others. The City agreed that the area is too small and they will put up a 20' pipe at their expense, but they need an agreement. They were to begin surveying last Monday. Ron feels that they will take care of the problem. Much discussion followed concerning our putting in a field drain. Bill asked if we needed a decision on it now. Ron didn't feel we did. It is possible we do not need a field drain. We have a French drain that doesn't.

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Mary Powers then asked if those present had received the letters regarding the party to be held in the social hall. Discussion followed on what to serve, how much to charge, etc. Pers felt it might cost as much as \$250, and all present felt this was excessive. It was therefore decided that we not charge at the door, nor for the food, but only for the drinks. Mary explained that their committee has many things to do and they need help. At present they are involved in the party under discussion, the Easter Egg Hunt, a meeting for the sisters this week, the United Church meeting in May, the Jubilee for the brothers and the Confirmation Class social. Frank then volunteered to set up and clean up for the party. Ron made a motion that we revise their budget. (Social Committee) to a more realistic figure, and seconded the motion and it passed. It was decided that those involved in putting on the party would get together with Father Howard to make all the final arrangements regarding food, etc.

John indicated that he had a leak in the stove and he had it repaired. The southwest window will have to be replaced within a short time as it is rotting. This will cost approximately \$2,000 to \$3,000.

And said he will be spending approximately \$25,000 before the social hall is completed. He suggested we agree the first month as they are for the present and leave all the money. Mary made a motion that we take on the bill as long as it does not go over \$25,000. This seconded the motion. It passed with one dissent.

John said that a letter of resignation from the Maintenance Committee had stated he had moved the year but was worried about causing friction in the parish and that he would like to work in some other area where the Council could do without him. He said that when he talks to the Council he will first find out if they are willing to accept his resignation. He said that he has thought of resigning from the Council and if he does so he will appoint someone to replace him. Mary suggested that for the work he has done, even if he resigns, he should be allowed to continue with the church. The Council decided to accept his resignation and they approved of it.

John then mentioned that the attendance at the Council functions is very poor on the part of the parishes. He suggested that Council members should support and attend such functions. It was felt that functions needed a better write-up in the bulletin.

Frank then appointed Ron as Chairman of a committee to revise the Guidelines. Other members of the committee are Howard Christensen, Anna Osborn and Mary Palmer. All Council members are invited that they should be ready to give to this committee.

Because of low attendance at last month's meeting he has gone toward getting the church re-organized.

John then mentioned that a new parish has been added. She is Meloye and she is a very active person. She is a very active person. She is a very active person. She is a very active person.

John then mentioned that a new parish has been added.

Minutes taken by
Louise Goff

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Minutes of the people of Haven for the

for WESTVIRIA

ON TO FERNVILLE

With Terry Umali in Provo, Happy Valley was a large enough to hold us as Bishop Joseph Federal has requested the friars at Provo to also look after the spiritual welfare of Catholics living in Savier and Samspe Counties. These are the two counties south of the present St. Francis Parish.

The total parish area will now comprise 3,300 square miles with a population of 16,500. This being from there are few Catholics but Savier County does produce 150,000 earlows annually!

The new parish includes such charming holes, hitherto unknown to the Swedish, as Round, Highland, Mt. Pleasant, Sahlin, Naves, Jamison, Bremer, Kohnen, Elwood, and some others. I know you will be happy leaving our Province and have been tempted within our time, Provo and Neill.

Details haven't been fully worked out yet but we will have liberty as soon as a team of four or five men is working to take up the situation. Masses are scheduled at Elwood and at each of the other parishes.

Edward, Anthony, Terry and I are looking forward to this new province and hope we can bring something new to the Catholics in this remote area. There are presently only two parishes in southern Utah, between Provo and the Arizona border. Both are slightly

It has been a good summer in Provo. Good morning to the Friars and members of the Province but (Etc. pub!). We left alone in the Province this summer, leaving our only aid the Friars visit with us but we were also able to visit occasionally with the group of men from the Community Center in Los Angeles and with a bus load of Swedish people on their way from Santa Barbara.

Peace

Edward Umali

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SAINT FRANCIS OF ASSISI PARISH

172 NORTH 5TH WEST - PROVO, UTAH 84601 - (801) 373-5071

May 7th, 1973

Dear [REDACTED]

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Pleasant Grove
Moark Jct.
American Fork
Lehi
Alpine
Valley View
Aspen Grove
Edgemont
Olmstead
Wildwood

As a part of our jubilee celebration, we Brothers - that lasting relic of the Province's golden age - have been talking about sharing tacos and friendship with Miguel and the orphans in Guaymas. The other afternoon Tony and I finalized the date with Mike.

Will this be alright with you as long as the people concerned have local approval. Would have written sooner but at times I do procrastinate. Have you any suggestions as to how we might get Bart across the border. Know a friendly undertaker?

Things are well in Zion. The weekend I helped give a retreat for twenty-five non-LDS-type kids in the mountains. It was different! A week ago I saw my first confirmation class signed and sealed by Bishop Federal. It worked well and I came up with some ideas -new to me- which I think made the sacrament the more meaningful. We tried to hold the bishop off until kids are 11th or 12th graders but had to compromise with 8th graders and older.

Celebrated just being friars with Kenan Morris, the friar-chaplain at Hill AFB. Kenan is a New York man, did missionary work in Brazil. He and Tony do have differing ideas on the military but Tony keeps on trying!

Faternally,

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May 10, 1973

Br. Berard Connolly, OFM
172 N. 5th West
Provo, Utah 84601

Dear Brother Berard,

Greetings: it was good to hear from you in your letter of May 7th. I am really glad to know that Tony and yourself are planning the trip to celebrate with Miguel. By all means go ahead with the plans and if you can possibly get Bart to go with you I know he would really have a great time out of it.

Congratulations on the work with the Confirmation class. I think that the way you and Tony have worked with Howard on the team has been a real example for the rest of the Province. I hope we can encourage more and more of the friars to form such teams. This is the type of thing we're going to have to do for the ministry of the future.

With every best wish and greetings to all and looking forward to seeing you in San Miguel, I am

Fraternally in St. Francis,

Father Alan, OFM

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All Parish Picnic - Sunday, pt. 9th!!!

An all-parish sharing in the celebration of Mass will kick-off our Annual Fun-filled Parish Picnic at noon, September 9th! GRA Park will set the scene as we all meet to enjoy old and new friends and join in the excitement and games. It's a bring your own lunch affair with free coffee and watermelon at your disposal and beer can be bought. More important details will enlighten next week's bulletin, but BE SURE and set aside Sunday, September 9th for the happy hilarious event!!!

THE PARISH COUNCIL would like us to start a Parish Newsletter. This would be a great help in fostering a better spirit among all who are in this 3000 square miles parish. Remember how well St. Paul did it with his epistles! Before we can begin this type of venture we want to know the parish response. We cannot begin a newsletter without news! We would need special reporters from the K of C, the Scouts, Women's League, the several areas of the parish eg: Payson, American Fork, Fairfield, and we would need interested parishioners to tell us what's new in their sphere of activity. If you are interested in a Parish Newsletter will you please let the members of the Newsletter Committee know. Members are Bud Goff, Mary Bowers, Ted Johnson and Brohher Berry. We would like to put a paper out for October so we need to know your interest at once. Thank you.

A PRE-CANA CONFERENCE is being held next Sunday at Holy Cross Hospital in Salt Lake City. 328-9219 for more information. We again remind you to let the friars know three months before you plan on marrying. This will make it less hectic on you and on us. Thanx.

INTERESTED IN MUSIC? Practice is held Tuesday evening at 7:30PM in the church. The spirited music at the 10:30 Mass is a result of this get-together!

BOWLERS -- good and not so good! The Escalante Bowling Team is getting ready for a another trophy-crowned season! It's a mixed league. Interested? Call Judi Fortucci at 377-0698. Average bowlers are in demand!

"Christians today are not giving evidence of the good news of Christ because they are not totally convinced or aware that Jesus is the Risen Lord - the Son of God."

-- anon

HOME MASSES

Since Father Terry has joined us, we now have the opportunity to offer Home Masses for the people of the parish. We would like to begin this program by offering Mass for shut-ins, the elderly and others who are not able to attend Mass regularly; then to anyone who would be interested. If you know of anyone in the parish who can't make it to Mass or if you yourself are interested, please write your name and telephone number in the space provided and leave it with one of the Ushers.

NAME:

Phone Number:

ATTENTION!!!

Par ants who wish to have their children attend a Nursery School (ages 1 - 3) and also the Sunday School (ages 3 - 6) are asked to fill in this form or phone or write the friary as soon as possible. We must know how many children to expect so we may order the books and other materials.

PARENTS' NAME:

Phone Number:

Children's names:

Age:

Hi Students - Begin the School Year by
Breaking Bread TOGETHER next Sunday
at 4:00PM - S. Francis Hall

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" In Utah County in 1776 "

St. Francis of Assisi Parish, Provo, Utah
San Andres Mission, Payson, Utah
St. Peter's Mission, American Fork, Utah

August 19th, 1973

Franciscans - Howard Hall, Berard Connolly, Anthony Lavorin, Terry Wenzl

THIS WEEK WITH THE PARISH FAMILY.....

Today (Sunday) - Second Collection for the elderly priests of
the diocese
- Coffee, Fun & Donuts after the Masses

Monday - Knights of Columbus meet, St. Francis Hall

Tuesday - Lectors meet, 7:30PM, friary basement

Wednesday - HI School Liturgy Preparation, 7:30PM, friary basement

Saturday - K of C Memorial Mass & Presentation in honor of Bill
Rita, deceased Knight, 7:00PM

Next Sunday - High School Liturgy, 4:00PM, St. Francis Hall

High School Students!

Beginning next Sunday at 4:00PM, we plan on celebrating a special Mass once a month just for high school students. In and through this Mass we hope our young people will be more aware of their unity with one another and with Jesus Christ. From this Mass can flow a good spirit of friendship with each other and a more loving relationship with Christ.

A group of high school students has been meeting to help develop the plan and theme of the Mass, Banners, decorations, scriptural readings, songs, etc. are being selected by the students. It is to be their Mass.

The high school students (9th through 12th grades only, please) from all areas of the parish are invited to share in the Breaking of Bread next Sunday, August 26th, 4:00PM in St. Francis Hall. For more information please check with Father Terry or Brother Barry.

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TUESDAY EVENING, 7:30PM at the friary, the Lectors will meet. We invite those who would like to serve the parish by being Lector as well as the men and women who presently are proclaiming the Word of God. To be Lector is an honor as well as a privilege, it is the happy work of helping all better understand the Good News of our Salvation.

A YEAR AGO WE INTRODUCED the "Intention Book" and the idea did not catch on. At the suggestion of the Lectors who met last week, we are again placing an Intention Book in the back of the church. You are invited to write down the particular intentions you wish included in the Mass and in the prayers of the parish family. This book will be brought to the altar at the offertory of the Mass. Space is provided for each day so even if you are not at the Mass, your intentions will be remembered.

And our intentions "could fill a book". Many count on our prayers...our families, the deceased, the happy moments we wish to share with God and parish family, the community we live in, birthdays, anniversaries, etc. If we are Christians we are vitally interested in one another, an interest so well expressed in our praying for one another.

A THANK YOU TO MR. AND MRS. JOE RAINALDI for hosting a great spaghetti feed for the parish Servers. Sixteen Altar Boys spent an enjoyable evening - what could be better after a spaghetti dinner than a rousing football game!

THIS WEEK we were able to send \$70.00 to Brother Miguel and the orphans at Hogar Paz y Bien, Guaymas, Mexico. A thank you to those who helped. We hope many will think of our orphans at Guaymas and show their concern by prayer and also by any financial help they may be able to share with the little ones.

THE ST. VINCENT de PAUL TRUCK will be in the area Thursday, August 23rd. A thank you to all who help the poorer through the St. Vincent de Paul Society. For more information please call 374-8994.

SEE YOU DOWNSTAIRS FOR COFFEE AND DONUTS!

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ISN'T IT NICE having fresh flowers on the altar? Thank you, ladies!

St. Francis of Assisi Provo, Utah
St. Peter's Mission, American Fork, Utah
San Andres Mission, Payson, Utah

August 26th, 1973

Franciscans - Howard Hall, Gerard Connolly, Anthony Lavorin, Terry Wenzl

THIS WEEK WITH THE PARISH FAMILY.....

Today (Sunday) - Coffee, punch & donuts after the Masses
- Youth Mass (High School, 9-12, only, please

Tuesday - Boy Scouts meet, St. Francis Hall
- Lectors meet, friary 7:30PM
- Music Group meets, church 7:30PM

Saturday - First Saturday Adoration, 8:00AM - 5:00PM

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Bishop Joseph L. Federal, Bishop of the Church of Salt Lake City in Utah, has asked the Franciscans in Provo to look after the spiritual welfare of Catholics living in St. Elizabeth's Parish, Richfield, Utah, with its mission at Snow College, Ephraim, Utah. This includes parts of Sanpete and Sevier Counties with the towns of Manti, Mt. Pleasant, Salina, Gunnison, Moroni, Monroe and Burrville. The Catholics are few and the area large. Richfield itself is 111 miles south of Provo. It is going to be necessary to "tighten our belts" so that all may be served. Some adjustments will have to be made in the Mass schedules and other activities in Provo, American Fork and Payson as well as at Ephraim and Richfield. We are scheduled to assume care of the new parishes the first part of September. In our generosity we Catholics of Utah County can show we are members of one faith, believers in the One Lord.

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FATHER TERRY WILL SOON begin a six-week course on the New Testament. A sign-up sheet will be in the vestibule next weekend. Should you plan on being out of town next weekend (Labor Day!), please contact Father Terry today. We know the course will be interesting and very helpful to all of us. Father's understanding of Scripture is deep and his insights often unique. This course is a requirement for all who teach in the CCD Program, according to the regulations of the diocese. We encourage everyone in the parish to give serious consideration to attending this six week course. Christ becomes a part of us in several ways and a knowledgeable and prayerful understanding of Scripture is surely one dimension of this God-With-Us.

AS EXPLAINED LAST SUNDAY, an Intention Book has been placed in the back of the church building. Here you may write in the intentions you wish remembered by the community as together we share Eucharist. This is your opportunity to ask the prayers of all be it for an anniversary or in sickness and especially for the joyful times when you wish to thank God for the good and happy events in life. We hope this Intention Book will be yet another way of helping us to pray for one another, to love one another.

ATTENTION PAYSON AND SANTAQUIN - Saturday, September 8th at 8:00AM we will meet to paint the church building. We will have Mass at the usual time with a pot-luck meal afterwards.

ATTENCION GENTE DE PAYSON Y SANTAQUIN - En Sábado el 8 de Septiembre vamos a juntarnos a la iglesia a las ocho de la mañana para pintarlo. Despues de pintarlo vamos a tener una comida "pot-luck". La Misa sera al tiempo usual. Que vengan!

FRIDAY IS THE LAST DAY OF THE MONTH. Hope you will send the "calendar envelope" to St. John's Indian School. Father Solano is now Superior at St. Boniface in San Francisco but the Indians are still at Kona and in need of your generous support. Thank!

THANKS TO ALL who gave on St. Vincent de Paul's last trip. From now on all clothing or small orders may be left at the church. However, large articles like furniture or any large orders may be picked up at your home. Just call 374-8994 if you'd like large orders picked up. For orders left at the church (friary garage) please write on the boxes "For St. Vincent de Paul Society"; GIVE TO HELP OTHERS through the St. Vincent de Paul Society.

A THANK YOU to Annie Cosgrove and Stacy Dugan who often stay after the 10:30 to replace the books, pick up the bulletins, etc. Thanks girls and a continuous thank you to the other girls - young and a little older - for the work which does make the House of God more beautiful.

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good prayers please remember Mary Obsitnik sister of Mike Obsitnik and
Mary Lischak, M. son and Tito Suazo, cousin of Valario. May these
our friends be good.

THE OBSITNIK AND LISCHAK FAMILIES wish to thank all for their prayers and comfort,
for providing meals and other considerations.

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Women's League

Women who have been appointed and have graciously accepted.

Charities: Chairman - Amelia Abraham
Provo Area - Margaret Williams and Marjorie Weber
Orem Area - Annette Molinar
Pleasant Grove North - Darlene Look
Springville South - Arna Osborn
Spanish Speaking Parishioners - Mary Marquez
Sick Call - Alice Morgan and Mary Closs

Some of our ladies have been busily fulfilling their assignments to our families
We thank all for helping when we are in need.

- Anna T. Cosgrove, President

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THE PARISH COUNCIL has instituted a program to help the poorer of the parish. This
program includes a collection to be taken at the church doors
the First Sunday of each month by the Knights of Columbus. This collection will be
for the poorer. Parishioners are encouraged to bring canned foodstuffs to this Mass
also. These can goods will be distributed to the poorer as need arises. A committee
has been formed to visit those in need to see what their needs are and to acquaint
them with the help agencies within the civic community. The early Christians were
known "because they loved one another". In Utah we are aware of the concern the LDS
have for each other. Can we do less?

THIS WEEK BEGINS A NEW SCHOOL YEAR for many of our young people - Springville on Mon-
day, Orem on Tuesday, etc. We wish our young
people well as they continue their education. In October the several programs for
the younger students will begin. We have the Youth Mass once a month for high school
students (9th through 12th grades). We hope this sharing together in Eucharist will
develop a spirit of belonging among our young people and from it will flow a better
understanding and love of Christ and one another. Brother Berry will again offer a
home discussion type program for high school and junior high school students. The
suggestions of the young people are always sought after and are most welcome.

REGARDING THE PARISH NEWSLETTER - We have had no response from interested parishioners.
A newsletter would be a great aid in this parish
but we cannot begin one unless we have the interest of the parishioners. We need
reporters from the several areas of the parish, from the parish and fraternal
organizations, the Boy Scouts. Most of all we need to hear from parishioners that
they are interested. If you are - or are not - will you please let a member of the
newsletter committee know. Members include Mary Bowers, Ted Johnson, Bud Goff and
Brother Berry.

THERE WILL NOT be a general Knights of Columbus meeting this week. - Frank Becker

THE SACRED HEART C.Y.O. in Salt Lake invites high school students to a steak fry on
Sunday, September 9th. \$4.00 per person. For reservations
and information please call 364-6712.

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During the past week a cousin of a parishioner was shot to death in
Tooele. A sad reminder of the sad situation which exists in Tooele
between the Chicano community and the "Cowboys". Are you as concerned
as you should be? Pray and work for peace in Tooele and for justice
for all who live in Utah. As Catholic Christians we have a double duty.
These are Christians who are hurting one another and most of the
Mexican community are sharers in the same Bread we share each Sunday.
- brother berry

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PARISH PICNIC, SEPTEMBER 9th A feature of the Parish Picnic will be a gathering of
most of the parish family at one Mass, a true sign of
unity. On September 6-9th the only Mass at St. Francis will be Saturday 7:00PM. The
one parish Mass Sunday will be at 12 noon at the GBA Park in Provo. No Mass at the
Missions. It should be great to share in Eucharist with almost the whole parish.

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NURSERY AND SUNDAY SCHOOL - please register your children so we may buy the needed
supplies. Also volunteers are needed.

PARENTS NAME: PHONE No.

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172 NORTH 5TH WEST - PROVO, UTAH 84601 - (801) 373-5071

August 28th, 1973

Dear [REDACTED]

Father Howard asked me to send you this bulletin telling of our new parish responsibilities in Sevier and Sanpete counties. When I do the bulletin I try to make it folksy but I hope enough information comes across.

Also here is a map of Utah and I have outlined the parish area. The area is large but there can't be more than a hundred Catholic families in the whole of Sevier and Sanpete counties. We understand there are possibilities among the students at Snow College. This weekend Father Howard will go to the new parish with the present pastor - a good guy - and help us to plan on what to do. We are scheduled to begin in September.

On the map I circled several places..... Milford has one elderly Dominican, Father Valaine (better known as the Mad Monk of Milford), a nice enough man and was probably a great preacher at Trent. Cedar City has Father Frank Kunz, a very fine man, up in years and a loner. He lived with the friars in Provo several years ago. Really thinks highly of the friars. Moab has one elderly priest. Helper, Price and Dragerton each have a priest but this is a Catholic area with many Italians and Slovenians working the mines of Carbon County.

As I wrote in the enclosed article I sent to Westfriars, this has been a good summer. The Las Vegas kids with Bill Halverson and gang were a healthy culture-shock to Provo. Naturally we drove them through BYU in the back of the pick-up. The young people on their way to Delano also stayed in the basement and reminded us of sorrowful situations in California.

Terry is just great. The people have taken to him and he has found enough Mexicans to keep his Spanish sharp. Howie and Tony are well and so am I. Be sure to stop off when you haven't too much else to do. We're always anxious for a picnic.

Regards to the munx.

Faternally,

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ps: I have two kids leaving for St. Anthony's Friday. Hope it's another start.

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September 1, 1973

Bro. Berard Connolly, O.F.M.
172 N. 5th West
Provo, Ut. 84601

Dear Brother Berard,

Many thanks for your letter of August 28th with the enclosures. I really am happy to know that you are able to help there in Sevier and Sanpete Counties and hope that it will not over-extend your staff. The spirit of the friars there at Provo is tremendous and this really means a great deal for the whole Province. I am glad that you sent a map so that I could find the places you mentioned. From what you say the priests are really scattered, and some contact among them would be a tremendous thing. I hope the friars will be able to help in this way. I have heard from Terry and he certainly is jumping right into things. From your bulletins I can see that there is plenty going on there in the parish, and hope that you will have enough help to carry the many projects. I have been trying to work out a way of getting up your way and hope that I will be able to do so before too long. I am still looking forward to another picnic like that great one we had last year.

With every best wish and greetings to all, I am

Gratefully and fraternally in St. Francis,

Father Alan, O.F.M.

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Brother definitors,

Unaccustomed as I am in writing the Definitorium.....
I feel I should make my feelings known to you regarding
an item on the January 17th agenda. A minor item to
be sure yet something which does concern me.

I have calmly survived Definitorium decisions from
enthronments to liberation theology, I respect Jolon's
Historic Mission Bell and I approve Delano's Huelga.
I never touch unfermented grapes and my Farah slacks
are worn thin on my bottom.

But now I am moved to make known my feelings. May I
make the suggestion to keep the feast day celebration
or at least let the friar have the option. I might go
along with a baptismal anniversary but to me my feastday
is the important day to me, the day I wish to celebrate.

I have grown fond of Berard, Peter, Accursius, Adjutus
and Otto -- and one does not grow older on one's
nameday.

Thank you.

Fraternally,

Brother Berard Connolly, O.F.M.

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Nov. 12, 1973

Dear Bro. Berard:

Many thanks for the newspaper from Richfield. That is really some picture. I will put it on the board and then keep it for the file.

Hope the province gets more and more acquainted with what is happening in Utah these days.

Regards to all.

Faternally in St. Francis,

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SAINT FRANCIS OF ASSISI PARISH

172 NORTH 5TH WEST - PROVO, UTAH 84601 - (801) 373-5071

April 21st, 1974

Dear Father Provincial,

I have been on the otherside of petitions from parishioners and in too recent memory I have been on the otherside of a request from confreres. Now I would like to express my hope that our Provo community can go on with its present membership.

Father Howard shared the letter from you in which you brought up the possibility of his going to Las Cruces. Terry, Tony and I talked it over and felt it would be fair to the Province, and ourselves, to express our feelings in this matter.

The suggestion that Father Howard might be moved cast gloom over Holy Week. He did receive your letter on Good Friday. While we know Province needs are important and that no community is entirely dependent on one man I do think Provo is unique. We are isolated and no where to go and "bitch". Here we are very dependent on one another. For reasons known but to God we four friars do like one another and do work well together.

I have long felt the unifying force in Provo was Father Howard. While he was in Santa Barbara this was brought out very clearly. The parish kept going with Tony, Terry and I but something was missing in the house. It was Howie's quiet understanding, his willingness to share all things, his evening pop-corn ritual. Perhaps these are simple reasons but we friars do thrive or fail on simple things.

I feel the parish is at the breakthrough of being one of our best parish families. With his patience and understanding Father Howard has converted most of his detractors. This past Holy Week saw so many divergent parishioner working together. Religious education is making great progress, the liturgy is meaningful to the greatest crowds in St. Francis' history. After a rather long winter the parish of St. Francis of Assisi is on the verge of blooming fully. I really think the friar who wintered the storm should share in some of the harvest.

I know from personal experience the diocesan priests have great confidence in Howie. Even this week several asked to meet with him to share a bit of his "recycling". He is very well thought of by the bishop - who in all candor - may wonder about the rest of the minor brothers.

And finally, Father, I owe a great personal debt of gratitude to Howie for providing a shelter for my "exile" and helping me once more a viable friar.

My thoughts and prayers in hopes the Provo community will be able to stay together. Others in the Province may not understand it but we do like - and even love - one another.

Thank you, Father Provincial.

Faternally,

Berard

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April 23, 1974

Bro. Berard Connolly, O.F.M.
172 N. 5th W.
Provo, Ut. 84601

Dear Brother Berard,

Many thanks for your letter of April 21. Father Howard told me that he had asked the community to write, and I do appreciate hearing from you. It is great to get a notice of a community that is doing so well. I certainly have felt this myself when I visited there in Provo.

I can assure you that there is no need for worrying regarding the change of Father Howard at this time. Due to the note that he had put in regarding the possibility of retreats in the future we simply sounded him out in the matter of Holy Cross in New Mexico, and even though he certainly would be willing to take on anything that would serve the best interests of the Province, we would never want him to leave a very important role there in the community unless there were a real dire emergency, and I am sure that this has not arisen at this time.

With every best wish and greetings to the friars, I am

Fraternally in St. Francis,



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In August I would like to attend the Chapter of Mats, see my folks a few days, make my retreat and then go to Mexico.

Tom Rosenberger spoke very highly of the Centro de Idioma y Cultura Latinoamericana in Cuernavaca. I have written them and am impressed by their program and the spirit of the people at the school. If I am to do it I would like to enroll at CICLA and spend three months there, Christmas in Guaymas to see if I've learned anything and then back to the states.

The cost at CICLA is \$240 a month plus about \$150 to stay with a Mexican family recommended by Tom. If the Province could help the first month or so I could beg, borrow, steal or earn for the rest. My vacation could help cover transportation and perhaps some tuition.

In January, and hopefully with some working knowledge of spanish, I could be assigned or return to Provo. Howard Hall invited me to St. Mary's, Kevin Dunne wants me in Highland Park. I'm interested in college people and I'm interested in Third Order. Believe it or not, I feel my greatest talent is in speaking!

What about a replacement? John Fowlie has a deacon already working in American Fork and he could easily work in Provo also. I hear John has the possibility of two Victory Noll Sisters coming for full time religious ed. and parish work. As I told you, much of my work here is work I have taken on myself.

I hope this isn't a heavy trip I'm putting on the definitorium. I hope it will understand my needs and feelings at this time. Am I looking forward or am I merely in the menopause. This letter may not be all that clear but it is a start. With you helping in my discernment we'll probably do alright. I am content to stay in Utah if you wish. I would like to do my thing at Cuernavaca. I am asking not to be moved before Mats.

I talked much of this over with Lou during the Plenary meet at Scottsdale so I am sending him a copy of this letter. Also, here is a resume I wrote a few months ago for a formation committee.

Howie's jubilee celebration in Provo was just great. Eddie Fronske was keynote speaker for the Diocesan Youth Conference and wowed the 500 kids present at the Salt Palace.

Thanks, John.

Rosen

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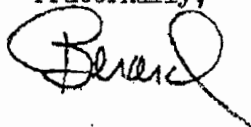
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May 18th, 1974

Dear Father Alan,

We have discussed your talk at the house chapter and have reflected on how we responded to the recent meat shortage. We are wondering if the enclosed from the Salt Lake Tribune is special for Utah consumption.

Fraternally,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Berard", with a large, stylized loop at the end.

OEM CONN 1
0172

May 22, 1974

Dear Brother Berard:

Greetingg! Many thanks for the clippings. Am glad to know that you will now be better received in Utah,--since you among the prophets. I was really surprised to find that the press was present at the meeting of friars. The stories that have come out have really many different versions. The meeting did bring out some good discussion. Father General took a very active part in the sessions.

All best wishes,--hope I can get to prove for a good session perhaps some time during the Summer when you will all be home.

fraternally in St. Francis,

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I invite you to share in my happiness and to
thank God with me at a 7:30 P.M. Mass at The
Ascension Church, 76th and Yamhill Streets, Portland,
Oregon, on Tuesday, October 16th, 1973. A
reception will follow the Mass.

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Dear Father Provincial,

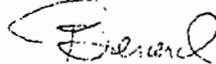
Bonnie was telling me some of the Brothers on the coast are being appointed, commissioned, ordained, sustained or whatever to the office of Lector and Acolyte.

I have been assisting at Communion and lectoring for six years so is there something I should check on or read up on concerning this.

Life goes well. Was with Bonnie in Richfield over the weekend. Komatke - where the grass grows thin - can't be much hotter.

Looking forward to seeing you on the 21 of July.

Fraternally,



OFM CONN 1
0175

June 19, 1974

Bro. Berard Connolly, O.F.M.
172 North 5th West
Provo, Utah 84601

Dear Brother Berard,

Many thanks for your letter with the inquiry on the ministry of Lector and Acolyte. We have been interested in this for some time, and since Fr. Brian Flynn was working with some of the friars in Theology, we asked if he would prepare those in this area who would like to receive Lector and Acolyte, and he did so during the past months. Actually, Fathers Pierre and Brian are working out some material on this so that we can present it to the Province. I am sure that with your background both in ministry both as Lector and Acolyte there would be no difficulty in your being appointed to these offices. I will be happy to be in touch with you on this as soon as we get some material.

With every best wish and looking forward to being with you on July 20, I am

Fraternally in St. Francis,

[REDACTED]

ready.

I am glad that Bonny had a chance to be up there with you and hope that it will be a little change for him. He really had a very fun year there at St. John's.

With every best wish and looking forward to being with you on July 20, I am

Fraternally in St. Francis,

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October 24th, 1974

Dear [REDACTED]

Again I want to thank you for the opportunity of the Brothers' Institute. I, and I am sure the other Brothers attending, appreciate you and the others taking the time to help us be the friars we want to be.

It was especially good being with the friars and sharing their hopes and their ideals. As I grow older some of my values change but more and more it is the friars who have meaning in my life.

Fraternally,

Berard



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November 16th, 1974

Dear Father Provincial and
friars of the Definitorium,

I am writing this in behalf of a confrere and classmate - and
unknown to him.

When and if the time comes for selecting the friars for a Samoa
mission I hope full consideration will be given Brother Anthony
Lavorin. I know of no friar more dedicated to the poor nor more
zealous in things of God. I have known Tony for almost thirty
years.

Since news of the Samoa invitation was made known, Tony has many
times expressed his interest and his hope in being sent. He has
written departments in the Samoan government and in fact has made
plans. Getting Tony out of these mountains is a problem but he
recently went to Scottsdale to visit two Samoan deacon candidates.
To me this is proof of his genuine interest.

Both Tony and I realize age, and perhaps health, may be against
him but in all fairness I hope you will not overlook the greatness
of the friar and the man that is Brother Anthony.

I do not doubt your wisdom - well, most of the time I don't doubt
it. I write you because I know that being in Utah Tony is out of the
"mainstream" and could be overlooked when you go over the friars
who have volunteered.

Thanks for your time and consideration.

Fraternally,

Berard Connolly, O.F.M.

cc: Father Provincial and the friar-definitors

O.F.M. CONN 1

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December 27th, 1974

Dear friars,

Man proposes and God.....

Due to personnel changes here in Zion and the fact that rather few friars of the area thought the proposed mini-chapter was a good idea at this time, Terry Wenzl and I think it may be best to postpone the meeting until a better time for all. Hopefully a friar in the Intermountain/Southwest area will get it going and the interest will be more vital. Thirty friars responded out of seventy which isn't too bad an average for we friars!

Thanks for answering and let's hope we can get up enough interest for another try.

Fraternally,


Berard Connolly, O.F.M.



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Dear brothers,

Last weekend in Tooele (!) I shared with ten college men and women, two nuns and a diocesan priest, in a vocation workshop. It was a closed SEARCH-type experience - you know, sleeping bags and up all night - and many good things happened.

Our theme was the religious as a clown. This may sound obvious but there actually was a lot to it. I so appreciate the theme as brought out that I'm sending this resume to the formation houses in hopes you'll post it, read it and probably forget much of it.

Life goes well enough in Zion. It's snowing lightly this morning. Have a happy Easter!

Peace!

Beard

Dear Father Martial -

Thought the enclosed diocesan directory might find space somewhere in your office.

The Provo Daily Herald article should be read with a violin background.

Like everyone, we were saddened at Phil's death.

Fraternally,

Beard

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Minister Series

Franciscans, Early in Utah

By Berard Connolly, O.F.M.
of St. Francis Catholic Church

"We climbed a small hill, and beheld the valley and the lake of 'Nuestra Senora de la Merced de Los Timpanogotzis' — the diary of Father Escalante, Sept. 23, 1776.

With this simple entry, the coming of the first white men into present day Utah County is recorded. Every Utah schoolboy knows these first explorers were the Franciscans Francisco Dominguez and Sylvestre Escalante.

They came seeking an overland route from the City of the Holy Faith in New Mexico to Serra's California Missions.

The Franciscans remained in Utah County only a short while, but time enough to tell the Indians about the One God who loved them, to meet tribal chiefs of the Timpanogos — the fish-eaters — and to hear stories about the very end of the earth at the strange sea of salt water 40 miles to the north.

They told the Indians to pray and that someday the brown-robed men who laughed and loved the little ones would return.

Utah became truly a cross-roads of the west. The explorers, Etienne Provost, James Bridger and William Ashley passed through. In 1847 the Mormon Pioneers under the leadership of Brigham Young entered Utah after their heroic trek from Nauvoo, Ill.

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Francis, the man who shared everything with the poor, who kissed a leper, who obeyed the Pope and who asked for candy on his death bed to make amends to Brothers Ass, as he called his body, asked but one thing of those who would follow his example of gospel living.

He asked that his brothers be men who would go about spreading joy and peace, saying yes to life. To remind them of their calling, he named them the friars minor, or in today's English, "the lesser brothers."

It seems Franciscans have always been around. We find the minor brothers confronting king and sultan, living and dying with the poor, charting new lands where to tell the Christ-story as did Escalante and Dominguez.

For the past 42 years, the Franciscans have grown with the Catholic community in Utah County to where this community stands today giving witness to Christ and saying yes to life. Hopefully they have always been men who laughed and loved the poor.

Today's Franciscans serving in Utah County belong to the Santa Barbara Province, composed of some 300 friars wandering in the western part of the United States and in missions in the Philippines and in Mexico.

The lesser brothers are to be found wherever there are poor, wherever there is a cause to bring peace.

They labor in seven states, serve the poor in a dozen large cities, bring courage to the migrant worker and support his efforts for justice, seek amnesty for those who will not make war, produce radio and TV programs so Christ may be better heard by all, work in prisons and

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In 1931 the Catholic Bishop of Utah requested the Franciscans to take over the care of souls in Utah County. Some 155 years after the passing through of Dominguez and Escalante, sandal-shod feet once more cast a print in the black soil of Utah County.

Who are these Franciscans, these men "who laugh and who love the little ones"? They are men who since 1212 have with varying degrees of success followed the Gospel of Jesus Christ by living in obedience, without property and in the celibate service of others following the example of Francis from Assisi.

The whole world knows St. Francis of Assisi and he belongs to the whole world. His genius in bringing the God-Man to everyone we see at this season whenever we visit at Christmas Creche or manger

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In future columns we hope to tell more of the activities of St. Francis Parish, Provo, but as we enter this Bicentennial year of the coming of the Franciscans into Utah, we want to share a bit of Franciscan background. The background of Francisco Domingues and Sylvestre Escalante, the first white men to look on Utah Lake, men who loved the little ones.

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (UPI) — St. Nicholas, the fourth century bishop of Myra, Turkey, who was the prototype for Santa Claus, is the patron saint of pawnbrokers, schoolboys, bankers, maidens, sailors and thieves.

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"My meat and drink is to see a clown."
(William Shakespeare)

CLOWNING

An Important archetype for the creative minister is the fool or contemporary clown. His craft is ancient and honorable (philosopher, jongleur, goiliard, jester, etc.) and like the prophet sometimes his success is measured in rejection, derision and crucifixion. So he performs a sacred role in the community: the mirror to the people of their ethic and possibilities, a teller of truth standing naked in the market place and confronting the powerful with his playful disorder, a beggar, a story-teller, a magician. The fool is often a lonely wanderer, without a tribe or family, yet this is his calling and when immersed in his folly he experiences a special intimacy with those who join him; promises implicitly are exchanged and a kinship forms--folly is contagious.

The contemporary clown wears white faces. This is not intended to mask him (though it can sometimes) but rather to provide the basis for an exploration of the inner face, a self-revelation beneath the mask of flesh. There are few moments more sacred to a novice clown (also called joey, tanbard, etc.) than when he finds his "real face," when the inner self surfaces in its wonderfully exaggerated features. Little wonder that clowns act so freely and exert such magic!

The conventions of clowning are fascinating and deserve mention since there are many parallels with religious life. Once a clown dons white face he undergoes a terrible transformation. According to the ancient convention he becomes neither old nor young, neither male nor female, neither black nor white--he is ageless, sexless, raceless, without parents or children. In greasepaint a clown has not ordinary appetites. He cannot eat (unless it is a rubber hot dog), drink (unless he spills it all over himself), smoke (unless it explodes in his face) or sleep (unless he is rudely awakened)--he has not a stomach, lungs, bladder or genitals. He has no nerve endings and cannot feel pain which is why everyone laughs at the clown who is thwacked from behind or over the head by a giant paddle or club. In makeup the clown cannot die, yet he can feel exquisite sadness and emptiness. He is an embodied fantasy, the scapegoat of his people yet their deliverer also. It is not surprising that Christ is frequently portrayed in clown motif. By impertinent truthfulness he can break through the rigid social conventions that bind his audience. Few things are more awesome than a clown let loose in the streets. The freedom he embodies is totally inviting and threatening. His very presence is a statement of liberation that reveals to the spectator his own chains, and it is far more tempting to capture and abuse the clown than to become one. But the clown is legion; his folly is latent in all of us.

Vocation Weekend - Tooele, Utah
The Clowns - Bob, Jeremiah, Berry, Eileen
with Joe, Mike, Greg, Kathy, Bob, Greg,
Cindy, Pat, Marilyn, Paul....



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July 28th, 1975

Dear [REDACTED]

Our personal thanks for asking Father Dominic Amennuno to help out in Provo this weekend.

Dominic flooded this house with happiness and his simple joy was so beautifully shared in with the people at Mass. We both deeply appreciate his willingness to let us share in the liturgy in an active role.

Assisi must somehow be his spirit - if it isn't it should be. Our one regret is that Dominic never met that nice Italian girl, Angela Moroni!

Faternally,

Bernard Tony

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OFM CONN 1
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Dear [REDACTED]

Just so you'll know we're doing our bit here in Zion.

Interesting reaction to my suggestion to sponsor a poor student at a state college..... dead silence and then "That's a fine idea, Brother — and now about the rodeo.." We'll keep trying!

The friars here asked me to represent us. Will keep you informed. This Dominguez-Escalante is big here in Utah.

Fraternally,

Berard

September 4, 1975

Bro. Berard Connolly, O.F.M.
172 N. 5th West
Provo, Utah 84601


Dear Brother Berard,

Many thanks for your note and the enclosed in regard to working on the Dominguez-Escalante celebration. I think it is great that the Friars are involved with this and that the people are willing to go ahead in those plans. I am glad you were able to represent the Friars of Utah for the occasion. The suggestion about the poor student at a State College certainly is a good one and I think they will pick it up eventually.

With the enlarged community there and with Fr. Theophane, we really feel we have a pretty good hold in the Land of Zion. I hope your summer has been a good one and that the coming year will be one of real life and growth for the entire area.

With every best wish and greetings to the Friars, I am,

Fraternally in St. Francis,



OFM CONN 1

0186

April 1, 1976

Bro. Berard Connolly, O.F.M.
172 N. Fifth West
Provo, Utah 84601

Dear Brother Berard,

Many thanks for your note and the enclosed article on Clowning. I certainly appreciate your sharing your experience with the friars in formation. I found that the theme of The Clown is one that really has a lot to say both to the young people today and to the old people who perhaps forget much of the tragedy that is in the very concept of clown.

I hope all is coming along well there in the Mormon country and hope we will be seeing you before too long.

With every best wish and greetings to the friars, I am,

Fraternally in St. Francis,

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SAINT FRANCIS OF ASSISI PARISH

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Dear [REDACTED]

Many thanks for the information regarding Tony's departure. Linus said it would be a good idea for me to take part in it so hopefully I'll be seeing you over the weekend.

Thanks too for the TO suggestion... however the secret of my living with John Fowlie both here and in Spokane is that I recognize him as being absolute as pastor while at the same time keeping my identity in house and friar things. I could not work well with John in Third Order so I ask that my name not be considered as a Spiritual Assistant. Hope you understand my thinking... by now you must be aware of the idiosyncrasies of many a friar.

Thanks for caring for the Province of St. Barbara, virgin and martyr. Hope to see you next weekend.

Faternally,

Barad

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Dear [REDACTED]

First off, thanks for your time and insights shared during our retreading month at Santa Barbara. After your class on vows and spirituality I guess I have to admit with others that you were a pretty good novice master at that. Your presence meant a lot to me personally and I know the other Brothers feel as I.

- Santa Barbara was a fantastic month. For sure the classes were good but to me at least, the "hidden agenda" is the all important. Just getting to know guys like Mateo, Didacus and Bob has given me so darn much hope. It's not too hard to call a friar "brother" but it takes the give and take of living together to call him "friend". You know, that's another reason I'm glad we shared the novitiate!

The other evening I had a call from a parishioner in Spokane asking for Claude's sister's name and address. Could you or Martial dig it up for me.

Also, you mentioned the possibility of me contacting Damian Isabel regarding the Assisi experience one of these years. Now I can't find his address.

Thanks again, [REDACTED]

Always,

Bernard

*Mrs. M. A. [REDACTED]
Rt 1 Box 650*

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February 17, 1977

Bro. Berard Connolly, O.F.M.
St. Francis of Assisi Parish
172 N. 5th West
Provo, Utah 84601

Dear Berard,

Thanks very much for your nice letter, which I received earlier this week, and thank you also for sharing your feelings and your enthusiasm about your month at Santa Barbara. As I think I have told you, I have enjoyed both of my stays at the Brothers' Institute very much. The openness, and the evenness, and just the goodness of all the Brothers is a touch of real Franciscanism.

Claude's sister's address is:

Mrs. W. H. Micke
Rt. 1, Box 650
Yreka, Calif. 96097.

Damian Isabel's address is:

Rev. Damian Isabel, O.F.M.Cap.
Catholic Theological Union
5401 S. Cornell
Chicago, Ill. 60615
Tel.: 312-324-8000.

Thank you for sending me "Samoan News." The same day it arrived, I got another letter from Tony, which brought me up to date on his experiences. He really writes a good letter.

So do you. Thanks very much for everything.

Faternally,



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John. David. Connolly

Lay Franciscans in Utah

Spiritual Assistant
172 No. 5th West
Provo, Utah 84601

JULY 1977

Dear brothers and sisters,

Pioneer Day is almost dissolved in a wonderful sunset as I write you. This day has a strange flavor for those of us not "pure" Utahns and I admit a bit of my built in gentile paranoia creeps in. Anyhow, what better way to end this state holiday than to share a few of my thoughts with you who with me share in the Francis vision.

July has been a good month weatherwise although for a while we thought Utah County would be drowned in the several horrendous thunder storms. I wanted to write you sooner but I never seem to make Bob Ryan's deadline. That's the trouble having an efficient Lay Franciscan Bulletin editor.

We speak of many things in this monthly letter. I enjoy writing it and I am told at least some of you enjoy reading it. As your Spiritual Assistant I feel this is an important as well as enjoyable duty of mine.

In the past weeks we friars received another fine letter from our Minister Provincial. Father [redacted] is Minister Provincial for all Franciscans living in the western states. Your's as well as mine. [redacted] is deeply interested in Lay Franciscans having been Spiritual Assistant at Sacramento, California, and Reno, Nevada. A [redacted] is deeply skilled in things Franciscan as well as in those wonderful workings of human nature. If I may boast (you haven't been able to stop me yet!) [redacted] and I were classmates years ago. I only hope a bit of his spirituality will rub off on me.

In his letter, [redacted] reminds the friars of the blessings which come to them through the Lay Franciscans. Here is a paraphrase of some of the high lights of the Minister Provincial's letter to the friars:

"The relationship of all friars to our Lay Franciscans can be best seen when we remember that our Franciscan family is a very large one.

"It is sometimes said, half in jest, that the Lay Franciscans are a 'Happy Death Society'. If we friars show little interest then we are in part to blame. My own experience is that you (friars) will find many genuine Franciscans among the Lay Franciscans who put us friars to shame.

"But the Spirit does not breathe in vain. It is a layperson's Order: we are not to 'run' it or 'direct it'. But we are called to work along with the secular Franciscans.

"The best way we can be true to the Lay Franciscans is to be true to our call and by listening! Listening to our brothers and sisters - some of those 'other' Franciscans. For in fact, we need them as much as they need us.


"We learn Christian teaching from good books and teachers; but we assimilate it largely from working with people who have the Spirit of Christ. Similarly we will carry the Franciscan Fire as a deep moving force within us, if we pray and if we have vital contact with other real Franciscans. If you go among these other Franciscans, these Third Order members, you will see a witness of poverty, chastity, obedience, disponibility, minority, prayerfulness, charity, and zeal for the Kingdom of God which will attract you and lead you to want to do and be the same....."

There is little I can add to [REDACTED] words which I know will be an encouragement to you. In light of these words which have renewed my own convictions regarding the office of Spiritual Assistant, I have a request of each of you.

In the several months I have been Spiritual Assistant to this fraternity I hope I have done what I can to encourage you but never do I want in any fashion to "run" or to "direct" the fraternity. (To be honest, you wouldn't let me even if I tried!) You ministers and chapter and all of you too well realize this is your part of the Francis charisma and you are doing it your way, rightly so.

In the Fall a meeting is being scheduled for the Spiritual Assistants in the St. Barbara Province. I look forward to sharing with my brothers who are involved in Third Order. In a rather human fashion, I am anxious to brag to them about the great tertiaries in the Salt Lake Valley. To help me better prepare for the meeting, I ask you to fill out the enclosed questionnaire and to please mail it back to me at your convenience. Your feedback will help me better serve you as together we each follow the gospel of Jesus Christ.

Peace, my dearest brothers and sisters!


Berard Connolly, O.F.M.
Spiritual Assistant

PS. My "visitation" of the fraternity goes on slowly but surely. You just never know the day nor the hour when I'll appear at your kitchen door. And, seriously, if you want to see me regarding your Franciscan growth, please call or write me. I'll be up to see you as soon as possible. b.

LAY FRANCISCANS IN UTAH.

please return to: Bro. Gerard Connolly, OFM
172 No. 5th West
Provo, Utah 84601

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5) Ministries (offices, positions) held in the Order:

kindly use the rest of this page and the reverse
to answer these questions

- a) In light of the Minister Provincial's letter, how do you see the role of the friar who is Spiritual Assistant of this fraternity?
- b) What positive contribution to the fraternity should be made by the Spiritual Assistant?
- c) Where do you feel the present Spiritual Assistant is remiss?
- d) If you had to describe the Lay Franciscans in Utah to another person, what would you say?



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Dear [REDACTED]

To the Province's grief at the death of Pierre I know must be added your own personal and deep loss.

I am happy he spent his last night on earth sharing happily with you and the brothers. This is the most any friar could ask for.

[REDACTED], my sympathy and my prayers. I wonder if when our turn comes we will find Pierre handing out freshly mimeographed copies of our entrance hymn.

Always,

LAY FRANCISCANS IN UTAH
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My brothers and sisters,

With sadness I announce to you that Sister Death has called the Vicar-Provincial of the St. Barbara Province. Father Pierre Etchelecu, O.F.M., who was elected Vicar or Vice-Provincial of the Province only last year, died of a sudden heart attack yesterday, July 30th. He was 45 years old and a Franciscan 26 years. Mass of Christian burial will be offered at Old Mission Santa Barbara, August 3rd. May he be with God!

Pierre was superior of the Franciscan School of Theology, Berkely, California. He was a distinguished musician and liturgist. A very genuine friar, Pierre was always a joy to be with.

In your good prayers, please remember Pierre, his mother and brother, and all your brothers in the Province of St. Barbara, especially our Minister Provincial and his council, who have suffered a very personal loss.

Peace!


Brother Berard Connolly, O.F.M.

Aug. 9, 1977


Bro. Berard Connolly, O.F.M.
St. Francis of Assisi Parish
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Dear Berard,

Thank you for your beautiful message of concern and sympathy on the occasion of Pierre's death. I appreciate your sensitivity. Thank you also for sharing with me the beautiful letter that you wrote to the Lay Franciscans in Utah. This was typically very good of you.

Please be assured of my deep gratitude, Berard.

Fraternally,



*acknowledged
in person*



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June 20, 1977

re: San Damiano Retreat

Provincial Office:

Thank you for asking for feedback from the Province regarding building plans at San Damiano.

In the few times I have visited the retreat house I have noticed space at a premium. Perhaps the retreatants, and surely the friars, have grown in stature since Kenan Osborne first thought "Swedish Modern" on that hill top.

From my vantage point of some seven hundred miles away, I would opt for Plan Two, the building of a new chapel and the redoing the present chapel into conference rooms, etc.

Today more than in years past there is renewed interest and experience in prayer. The chapel is the rightful heart of a retreat house. I would like to see it not an all-purpose building but a true chapel. I am confident good liturgical responsibility would go into the design and building. If I may, my only and personal caution is that "honest materials" are used. The plastic altar at Scottsdale will always bother me. Many years ago I became convinced that only the honest materials of wood, stone, steel, wool are proper for church building.

My final thought is a vote of confidence for [REDACTED] He did such a fantastic job in sharing the Franciscan vision and dream at Casa Paz y Bien that I pretty much feel that if Mike thinks it a good idea let him go ahead. I wouldn't want to see him repressed (if that were possible) at San Damiano.

Peace!

Berard Connolly, O.F.M.

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Third party privacy



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Dear [REDACTED]

Enclosed is my contribution to whatever happens building-wise at San Damiano. Thanks for asking. Thanks, too for those great Provincial Letters. With your right foot forward, surely you are doing a goodly thing!

I'm settling in for another year in Utah. I feel this will be my last in these wilds. The northwest still calls! The possibility of going to Sacramento made me take stock in what I'm about and I was pretty well set for the move. I am very happy with the man who is going into formation. Angelo is a great guy and will be a very important part of formation. Besides the usual qualms moves arouse, I guess down deep I had the fear of getting into formation "politics" This vacation I plan on spending a few days possible with Tony in a formation house. Might do me some good. [REDACTED] I only hope my hesitation wasn't an added burden on you. I do know my hesitation resulted in a better person for the job.

As long as I'm in formation and as long as this letter is still personal, there is something which bothers me. At this moment I have hesitant feelings about Greg Sandritter entering the novitiate this year. I don't know if being area vocation promoter gives me the right to say this but I feel being a friars does.

Greg is a nice enough fellow and I do like him but I also have serious reservations about his maturity and stability. I feel he has shown a certain lack of both this summer. He is staying with a parish family which regards pot and somewhat anti social behavior as of little or no consequence. I very often think Greg is worse than the kids. I realize the men living with him in formation are better able to judge but I feel my conscience tells me to at least raise the caution.

On a positive side, Greg has some genuine qualities which may grow and mature under the proper direction. I am also very much aware that he has not been made to feel welcome in this friary. This is a serious lack on the part of we friars! I am not trying to push Greg out but I do ask that care be given him in these formation years. I hope you will appreciate my motive in writing this.

How were things in Guaymas? Tony told me you and he were heading down that way. The Hogar really grows on you. Last night I was showing some slides I took (for a fund raiser) and again fell in love with the little people at the orphanage. Hope Tony's health is OK. He sounded like he's anxious to get to work with the Mexicans in Oakland and with formation.

Life goes well enough here. I plan on spending more time this year with the Salt Lake Lay Franciscans. They are just great people. I'll share

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which we give importance to by making them big.
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Franciscans Meet

St. Barbara Province Franciscans, both Friars Minor and Lay Franciscans, met at the San Damiano Retreat Center, Danville, California, recently to share mutual problems and successes and to reappraise the role of the Spiritual Assistant (usually a friar or sister) in the lay order.

Brother Bernard Connolly, O.F.M., Spiritual Assistant to Lay Franciscans in the Salt Lake area attended along with thirty friars and a number of Third Order members. The meeting was chaired by Father Terry Wenzl, O.F.M., Southern Regional Minister, and Father Brendan Mitchell, O.F.M., Provincial Minister. Delegates hammered out guidelines defining the role of the Spiritual Assistant and means of increasing vocation awareness.

Forty men and women in the Salt Lake area share the common bond the Order provides for mutual help in following the Gospel of Jesus with a simple and honest outlook. The Lay Franciscans are for the most part active in their parish families and in the diocese. Many walk the extra mile in caring for the sick and lonely. All are invited to share in a directed spiritual life. Members meet monthly in a gathering which combines light-hearted community banter with ever-new study of the Gospel. The Lay Franciscans continue to draw strength from their seven hundred year history and find definite direction toward spiritual progress which enhances their involvement in parish, as well as in the Cursillo, Marriage Encounter and other apostolic movements.

Great interest among the delegates was focused on a plan for the "simple life." Father Geoffery Bridges, O.F.M., Ph.D., San Francisco, spoke to the establishment of fraternities of friars and lay men and women living according to the Franciscan ideal of the Gospel emphasizing the poverty and simplicity of this ideal. Elements in this life style would include:

- 1) A living together in the same or adjoining housing. This would involve the friar leaving the security of his friary and the lay members "selling and giving to the poor."
- 2) A definite choice of a simple life style in food, housing, neighborhood, transportation, clothing, "conveniences."
- 3) A commitment to anti-

consumerism; resistance to annual fashion changes, annual model changes in autos, etc., a determination not to be influenced by commercials, fads, and the "need to buy."

- 4) A commitment to coop approach to food buying, avoiding as much as possible large food chains.
- 5) A commitment to promote means to rectify the distribution of good — to work for world food justice.

Quoting from a column in the San Francisco Chronicle, October 26 1977, *The Move to Living a Simple Life*, Harold Gilliam, Father Geoffery reminded the delegates that millions of Americans are living the simple life and are doing so without knowledge of the Gospel call. Their motives may be practical and secular but a change of value is setting in. This could well be a "preparation for the Gospel."

Reasons for this return to the simple life include the fear of running out of resources, pollution, failure of wealth to bring happiness, inflation;

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Parish Sets Celebration

Parishioners of Sacred Heart Church, 9th South 2nd East, Salt Lake City, will celebrate the 25th anniversary of the dedication of the present church building this Sunday, December 11th. His Excellency, Bishop Federal, will offer Mass at 4:00 P.M. Monsignor William E. Vaughan, present pastor of St. Ambrose Parish, under whose pastorate Sacred Heart Church was built, will speak at the Mass.

After the Mass, parishioners and friends who have made reservations will have dinner prepared by the CYO.

Before the present Sacred Heart Church was built, parishioners used an old wooden frame building from 1917 till the present church was dedicated in 1952. The old church was named church of the Divine Saviour. It is now being used as a union meeting hall.

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Following ancient Bishop Federal will his hands on the he and then pray a cons over them. Each wil Dalmatic, the liturgic Deacon, and then be the Scriptures, symb proclaiming the Wort

Pastors of the n Deacons, priest-direc nant Diaconate Pr priests of the Dioces rate the Mass of (Bishop Federal. The Madeleine Choir, und of Sister Norita Lanr provide the music. Mass will be Mr. Joh of the men to be ord Mary Ellen Vaugh sociate Director of Deacon Program. Ex mentary of the ord given by Rev. Thom Chairman of the Per Board, Master of Cer Rev. Colin F. Bircum Rector of the Cat Madeleine.

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The new Deacons, were to administer form marriages, offic distribute Holy Com give instructions in Faith, conduct devot at the altar during ty. Pastorally they various forms of serv ble work for the Chur their abilities and th various parishes or which they are assign "The Permanent D the degrees of the Sac Orders; other degree bishop," explained F man. "They will rem permanently and not and bishops."

These men range in 56 and have complete intensive training a Selected in the Fall of received instruction scripture, psychology been given technique velopment and gro

chronic unemployment. On the positive side, the simple life results in lowered stress, more leisure, serenity and self knowledge. Though often not recognized as such, each of these reasons is another aspect of the gospel call to share, the give drink, to turn the other cheek, to forgive, to not worry, to love.

It is estimated that 5 million Americans are full fledged adherents of living the simple life. Another 50 million are partly involved or are sympathizers to the movement. The Roper Poll, 1975, gives these figures: 51% are convinced we must cut back on production/consumption; 92% disapprove of yearly model changes in cars; 91% are willing to give up meat once a week; 90% are ready to dispense with annual fashion changes in clothing; 75% are willing to keep clothes until they wear out; 77% want to change life style toward less consumption if it meant lower risk of inflation and unemployment.

This simple life style is also the goal of the Lay Franciscan and with varying degree is sought after by two million tertiaryes the world over. The challenge is there — to follow the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ — and the Lay Franciscans seek to find the encouragement in the fellowship of their fellow Franciscans. Men and women in the Salt Lake area interested in knowing more about the Lay Franciscans are invited to contact Mr. Stan Stott, 8301 So. 835 E. Sandy, UT or Mr. Bill Marcovecchio, 178 W. 12300 So., Draper, UT. Persons interested but living outside the Salt Lake area are invited to contact Bro. Berard Connolly, O.F.M., 172 No. 5th West, Provo, UT.

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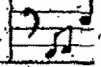
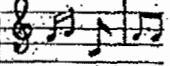
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May 3rd, 1978

Dear [REDACTED]

It was good seeing you in Phoenix. After getting back to Utah I did some thinking, sought in discernment with people I trust and love, and then wrote Tom Rosenberger.

As I told you, trying to get a handle on Spanish has been a hope of mine ever since Martial tried to teach me from Pitarro and Green. Seems like wherever I've been I have left "easy to learn" Spanish books and records. I have a helpless feeling when so many expect a friar to have at least a little knowledge of their language.

May I propose this for your consideration...

I have been in Provo for over seven years. I wonder if the time has again come to be stranger and pilgrim. I do good work in Provo, mostly with the youth. I am especially sought out by collage kids but more and more I feel I have lost my "charisma" with high schoolers except in one on one situations where I still seem to have it. In fairness to the kids I wonder if I should move on. I also feel this parish has lost its unique Franciscan style. We once had a flair here. Just ask the bishop!

I am now fifty. My life is more than half over. I do not want to lose my creativity before time. I want to experience community, to share in house chapters. There are so many friars I do not know and yet I call them brother.

It will be hard leaving Utah, if this is your decision. It is a beautiful state. I am happiest in small towns. I do not like cities and have no enjoyment in the city attractions of movies, ball games, restaurants, etc. I am a valued member of the diocesan Youth Ministry. Many in Utah lean heavily on me. I love and am loved with a passion I nowhere else experienced. I am perfectly willing to leave Utah if I should and willing to remain if I should. If I am to leave, may I ask this:

I am attending the ordination of one of my Portland kids in June. I am committed to youth retreats, workshops with the diocesan office during June and July. I plan a Bible week during June with children at Payson. Also, John and Linus expect me to handle the liturgies at the mission stations during June and July while they are on their vacations.

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What do I do?

Well, I live and breathe and sometimes pray. I feel good about myself and my life - unless I'm in a pit of despair.

My work here in Utah is varied and gives me great opportunity for personal growth and to share what I believe to be the gospel of Jesus. I'm kept somewhat busy and would be even moreso were I not somewhat lazy and a great procrastinator - as the lateness of this proves.

In the friary I cook the evening meal just about every day. I do much of the shopping and am more or less sacristan. I think this is important because there is something special about Franciscans "working with their hands". I take care of the house books and am listed as librarian but do not let that bother me.

Working with youth is my principal assignment. I've been in kid work since the beginning when I had the Altar Boys in Portland, Oregon. (My God, one of them will be ordained a Jesuit this June!) Where once I related to kids as a brother, then as a father, today I feel more like a grandfather. I teach all four high school religious ed. (CCD) classes, hold meetings, try to entertain the high schoolers, play in the snow, listen to and try to heal their heartbreak, laugh and cry with them and otherwise try to do the friar thing. On the diocesan level I am a part of the Office of Youth Ministry, help give youth retreats and prayer nights. I have directed SEARCH programs for the diocese. I am a member of the diocesan vocation committee and work for diocesan and Order vocations. I seem to have good success sharing with the college people at the U of U and Weber State Newman Centers. I enjoy working with the young but am beginning to feel I am not fair to the kids since age is creeping up and I'm just not as exciting as I once was. I know I offer a necessary maturity-balance but ---- hell, I have a hard time climbing these Utah mountains. I'm out of breath just climbing the stairs to see who's making out in the choir loft!

I serve as Catholic Chaplain at the Utah State Mental Hospital here in

Provo. Twice monthly I hold a Communion Service where the lucky patients listen to a fantastic homily. As they say, "Berard, we like you because you're like us!" I enjoy this work and feel I have something good to offer. I seem to have understanding for the mentally ill and I have no fear of them although I was once beaten up by a patient. I also visit the Utah State School for the Severely Retarded. Again, I think I relate well enough.

In the parish I bring weekly Communion and visit with a number of shut-ins and they do seem to appreciate my visits. I do whatever listening (as distinct from counseling) I am asked to do by parishioners who have become friends and by strangers. I believe I offer a different dimension.

I have been appointed Spiritual Assistant to some fifty Third Order members in Salt Lake City. I meet with them two or three times a month. I try to make home visits to these tertiaries and visit whenever one is in the hospital. I never miss a funeral! I really encourage men in formation to become interested in the Third Order. It is rewarding in so many ways.

I consider myself fortunate being in a spread out diocese like Utah and sharing with priests, nuns and folks who are generous to a fault. I'm the only Brother in Utah except for some Trappists - but they're locked up!. Because of this I'm in demand as a speaker on pannels and women's clubs and Bar Mizvah. I'm a novelty!

A help in my doing my thing for the kingdom is that Canon Law doesn't perceive a Brother being anything but a monastic laborer, the bishop isn't quite sure what the hell I am and here in Utah I am free of stereotype. Incidentally, here in Zion you can't compliment a man any higher than by calling him "brother".

As I enter my third quarter of life I am at peace. I'm content with still enough gnawing to keep me restless and wondering. I see the unique gifts I am free to offer as a Brother not tied by the ecclesial and I wouldn't trade my life for anything.

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February 26th, 1978

May 18, 1978

Bro. Berard Connolly, O.F.M.
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Dear Berard,

Thank you for your welcome letter of May 3rd. It was a beautiful letter, full of many deep Franciscan sentiments, which I know are true and real to you.

They come across as real to other people too, Berard, and it is for that reason that the Definitorium would like to appoint you to the staff of the Novitiate house here in Oakland. As a member of the solemnly professed community your principal work would be to give support to the Master of Novices and good example to the novices. I think we may be able to make that a little more precise as time goes on. For the time being that would be the substance of the assignment.

I would like to tell you the reasons why you were chosen for this position. To sum it up, it is because you are a genuine Franciscan. You also have a great deal of patience, are a good man to talk to, know all sorts of things about Franciscan history past and present, you work well with young people, and you work well with those who are not so young.

I was just thinking of my father's funeral and how the whole Province of St. Barbara was represented by you. I think you will do equally well in representing the Province and the Order to the novices. I can think of very few assignments that have given me greater joy and community.

Before I send an obedience I would like to know if you think that you should accept this assignment. I will appreciate an early answer if this is possible.

A secondary part of the assignment would be one or two more possibilities. You asked to go to Mexico to study Spanish. Would you consider postponing that, and I do not mean to make any promises, but you are solidly established in the novitiate it might be a possibility. I think that you would also have the opportunity to study Spanish here in Oakland at the same school where Tony has been studying. You could get in touch with him and see what he thinks of it. My

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Impression is that it has profited him quite a bit. It certainly is not the same thing as living in a foreign country, but for your present purposes you might find it quite adequate.

There is still another possibility and that is that you could spend some of your time working in the parish here at St. Elizabeth's. Recently, Fr. Oliver asked for a friar whose principal ministry on a part-time basis would be the care of the elderly especially those in the convalescent hospitals and care homes and those confined to their own home. This would involve working closely with the pastor and the pastoral staff here at St. Elizabeth's.

These then are the main considerations: living in the novitiate community and being of help to the Master of Novices to the degree that both of you feel comfortable with, with the possibility of some time spent in studying Spanish and/or some time given to the care of the elderly here in St. Elizabeth's parish.

I would appreciate any reflections you may have on this request. I assure you of my prayers and of the confidence that the entire Definitorium has in you.

With every best wish, I am

Fraternally yours in Our Father St. Francis,





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Dear [REDACTED]

To further your growing belief that the friars get stranger as they get better, will you please put this in my file or wherever.....

THREE SIMPLE REQUESTS FOR MY FUNERAL:

- 1) I want a closed casket. No viewing. I feel very strongly about this. (I'll haunt you if you don't follow my request.)
- 2) If you can find it in my room, I want my Oregon State flag over the casket. The Northwest will always be "home".
- 3) I do not want a concelebrated Mass. Most concelebrated Masses, in my eyes, lack beauty and I feel they separate the gathered brothers.

Thanks.

Peace!

Berard Connolly
Berard Connolly, O.F.M.
May 31, 1978

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May 31st, 1978

Dear [REDACTED]

In regard to your letter and our telephone conversation.....

The possibility of going to the novitiate was a bomb shell. It almost blew me away but I guess I have the required orneriness and resilience and here I am!

This time I really read the signs wrong. I prayed - but perhaps not enough -, I sought in discernment with trusted and loving friends and for the first time in my life I requested something of the definitorium. I was so sure of going to Mexico I renewed my passport, contacted the Mexican Consulate in San Francisco, got a schedule from Aereomexicana and sent a registration to the Centro de Idioma y Cultura in Cuernavaca. What went wrong???

I'm still vasilating between feeling sorry for myself with thoughts of "I'm being screwed" and old deep feelings of not straining after vain learning, to perhaps it is better the young friars have the opportunities, to I'll probably be very happy in Oakland - I love Utah after hating to come here after Spokane. Anyhow, [REDACTED] you know me well enough to understand my feelings. I know things will work out.

I am confident I am doing right in leaving Provo at this time. This is a hard thing to do! After the decision was made I looked at things in a different light. I've been here long enough, I see parishioners who will do better than I with the kids. My two regrets are leaving the diocese where I am even more than a "character" and am loved and sought after by so many. I also find it difficult leaving the state with which I have a sincere love/hate relationship. I am very, very much affected by my surroundings. (Did I ever tell you two things I've often prayed for - that I not be stationed in the Bay Area and especially not at St. Elizabeth's? Just asking!)

[REDACTED] I'm grateful for whatever trust you have in me. I am looking forward to seeing more of the friars including yourself when you are not wandering around the Province or wherever else you wander. I'm fairly confident I'll work well with the novitiate and I'll find enough to keep me busy. I don't like the Bay Area but I might come to like it. More than anything I will probably miss the freedom

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which comes with the use of a car and driving hundreds of miles of empty highways. I'm another friar who finds driving the great relaxer. Or is it called therapy.

So, [REDACTED] I'll be seeing you at Mats and at Oakland in August. I'll leave another set of easy-to-learn-do-it-by-yourself Spanish books in Provo and get on another kick. As Martial told me so long ago "Connolly, you're a dreamer."

Next year in Jerusalem..... or Cuernavaca!

Peace!

c: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] the Obedience came this morning. Thanks for your consideration. I'm actually looking forward to the novitiate house. I'll be in contact with Brian and probably Oliver.

[REDACTED] and Linus are wondering if anyone will be coming to Provo. You may want to drop them a note. Both have been supportive of me regarding this Obedience.

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27 June 1978

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Dear Berard,

Thank you for your letter of May 31st. I am sorry that it has taken me so long to answer, but I count on your understanding. I have been more than usually busy with correspondence, changes, and a bit of traveling.

Thank you for the funeral request which I hope we won't have to use for a long time. I agree with numbers one and three; number two belongs to you alone, since I have never been stationed in Oregon. The letter will be kept on file.

I appreciate you giving me your frank reactions to your change and the beautiful spirit of obedience that comes through your remarks.

However, don't rule out the possibility of going to Mexico in the future and learning Spanish. Spanish is not vain learning. I too made a request to go to summer school and take more Spanish the year that I was transferred to the novitiate, so maybe there is a pattern going on here. I also was turned down.


Maybe it would be a good idea to bring the set of Spanish books along. You may be surprised that you will have some time here to use them. Possibly after you've gotten settled down, maybe about a year from now, you might consider going down to MACC or Cuernavaca for the summer to take a Spanish course. Anyway time will tell on that and there'll be time to talk about it during the coming year.

John Fowlie was here for Ronan's funeral the other day, and although I visited with him together with other friars, I didn't get a chance to talk to him in private. It didn't seem to be the place and there wasn't enough time.

I look forward to seeing you at the chapter of mats and then occasionally when I stop in Oakland after that. All the best to you, Berard, and thanks again for your generosity.

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Fraternally,





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My sisters and brothers,

"They shall be pilgrims and strangers, wanderers, for the sake of the kingdom"....francis of assisi

After eight years it is again my turn to be wayfarer for the kingdom. Our Provincial asks me to leave Utah and be an associate at the Franciscan novitiate. I will leave for Oakland, California, August 7th.

I have mixed feelings. I am somewhat humbled, or is it embarrassed, that the Province feels I have a dimension to offer the young friars in formation. I am saddened with the realization I will no longer share in the Church in Utah. You are exciting Church, you are close, you are generous often to a fault.

I have been part of our Lay Franciscan Salt Lake Community for not too long. I am very proud of you because of your generosity in sharing yourselves with the Church and for our brothers and sisters.. (You should hear me bragging about you in a shamefully un-Franciscan way whenever I meet Lay Franciscans from other fraternities.)

Father [REDACTED] and Father Brendan Mitchell, Provincial Assistant, will appoint another friar to be Spiritual Assistant. I am already jealous of him. I know he will share a greater expertise than I. I know you will be as generous with him as you have been with me.

I especially thank Stan and Bob who have ministered to us these years, and to all our ministers. I thank Alyce Bai for her encouraging morning study group. I thank our visitors to the sick, our fantastic pot-luck ministers, our "prayers", our shut-ins, our young couples. I thank you all for being true brothers and sisters. I thank each of you who, in the spirit of our father Francis, each day "begin anew".

My sisters and brothers.... the Lord give you Peace!

Berard

Brother Berard Connolly, O.F.M.
Spiritual Assistant

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What more can I say?

berard

Brother To Leave Utah

Brother Berard Connolly, O.F.M., St. Francis of Assisi Friary, Provo, received word from his Provincial superiors that he has been reassigned. On August 7 Brother Berard will leave for California, where he will take on the duties of an associate at the Franciscan Novitiate in Oakland. He will also do pastoral work in a nearby parish.

Brother Berard has spent seven and a half years at the Provo friary cooking for the Franciscan community, in pastoral assignments and in working with youth ministry and in religious education. He is active in the diocesan Search program, in vocation and prayer weekends and in other diocesan youth involvements.

At Provo, Brother Berard is Catholic Chaplain at the Utah State Mental Hospital, conducting chapel services twice monthly. He is chaplain at the Utah State School for the Retarded, American Fork. Brother holds memberships in the National Apostolate for the Mentally Retarded, the Mental Retardation Association of Utah and the Utah Association for Retarded Citizens.

He is Rocky Mountain area vocation coordinator for the Franciscans

and serves on the diocesan vocation board. In this capacity he has spoken to groups throughout Utah on the Franciscan and Brother vocations. He is regional representative of the National Assembly of Religious Brothers (NARB).

In 1974-75 Brother Berard spent six months as pro-tem administrator of St. Elizabeth's parish, Richfield, then under the care of the Provo friars. During that time he improved the mission building and undertook a census of Sevier, Sanpete, Wayne and Piute counties.

For the past two years Brother has served as Spiritual Assistant to some fifty Lay Franciscans living in the Salt Lake Valley. The Spiritual Assistant is a resource person for the Lay Order and a liaison between it and the friars of the St. Barbara Franciscan Province.

Brother Berard was a charter member of the Utah County Dominguez/Escalante Bi-centennial planning committee, and in 1975 rededicated a D.A.R. plaque in Spanish Fork City Park honoring these early missionaries. He has spoken before the Provo city council and the Utah County commission and on KBYU-TV. He is a member of the North American Vexillological Society.

On leaving Utah Brother Berard has this statement: "We friars are called to be wanderers but it is so difficult leaving Utah and I ask your concern and love as I take on this new ministry. It is difficult leaving because the Church in Utah is an exciting Church where God's word is joyfully proclaimed in so many trying situations. I am especially grateful to have shared this word with Father John Kokal and the Diocesan Youth Ministry, and with priests, Sisters and folk who are generous to a fault. In the words of a song so important to the youth of our diocese, 'All I ask of you is forever to remember me as loving you.'"



Brother Berard Connolly, O.F.M.

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John - Again I
have fallen in love
w/ Mexico & the
system.

Gracias!
Bernard



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in person
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December 18th, 1978

Dear [REDACTED]

May I add this to the work awaiting your return from Guaymas. When you have the time I would like to talk to you about the content.

Last week I saw [REDACTED] in LA. It was a good visit and we talked over the possibility that I may be working the Vocation Office and WESTFRIARS. [REDACTED] was, as usual, very helpful.

VOCATION OFFICE I list Vocation Office first because it interests me the more. [REDACTED] was very positive and feels I would do a good job and work well with him and the other friars in formation and in vocation work.

The difficulty as I see it is simply that [REDACTED] does not want to give it up. He has gotten wind that I may be in line for it and has expressed his feelings to a novice he knows from Sacramento. [REDACTED] also phoned me and said something about the possibility of me taking on the Oakland office when he is unable to come down from Sacramento. He realizes how much he is needed in St. Francis parish with Dave being ill and Harold not that well. At the same time he seems to feel the need for the "outlet" given him in the Vocation Office.

I realize this is a touchy issue but the Office of Vocation is a one man job and I have no desire to be a second man in it. I can see only conflict with [REDACTED] and frustration within myself since my style would differ from his.

If [REDACTED] can see fit to become a full time assistant in Sacramento I would be more than happy to take on the Vocation Office. He could certainly continue with those contacts he has been working on.

If I should be assigned to the Vocation Office I would like to lay claim on the car I believe was purchased for this office.

WESTFRIARS Kevin and I spent several hours on this issue. I also spent some time with Leander over at the FCC Office. I came up with the following I also present for your consideration.

WESTFRIARS is a bigger job than I first thought. At least in its present format. I feel I can accept it only if I am to be Editor and responsible directly to you and the definitorium. I would like to select, recruit and work with my own committee. I mention this because in our conversation I began out as Editor but in the course of the same conversation became Managing-editor. Perhaps I am asking for more than you wish at this time but since you asked... I especially question what Jeff's position would be. He was mentioned by you when we spoke of forming a committee.

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I see the need of groundrules being cleared beforehand. A statement of policy much like the present WESTFRIARS policy would be approved by you. I think the matter of finances should be clearly spelled out and a sufficient budget formalized.

In moving the operation to the Bay Area there would be some extra initial expense: new permit, perhaps a different addressograph system if we cannot use the present type and the purchase or rent of a good IBM typewriter with carbon.

In the Bay Area we would not have the use of the at times exotic lay-out materials as available at FCC and in the Los Angeles operation. However, I think we could do well and put out a good WESTFRIARS with an IBM machine and the use of local print shops and camera ready copy. I am sure I could count on the help of the novitiate in preparing for mail, etc. Again, format is something to be discussed by a committee, yourself and with a set of estimates in front of us.

Should you decide on my being editor of WESTFRIARS I will try my best. I hope you understand my hesitancy. Both Kevin and Gino are professionals in this field.

I hope this letter isn't too demanding but you asked for my feelings about the possibilities. I have talked over the idea of Vocation Office and WESTFRIARS with Priars I have trust in and seem to have come up with the consensus of this letter. I am looking forward to talking over the matter with you when you have the time. My first choice in the Vocation Office but I am sure I could handle both without conflict with my ministry at the novitiate. I would ask that I be taken off St. Elizabeth's.

Thanks, John.



Berard Connolly, O.F.M.

PS - While I have you.... I am working on a trip for the novices to the Poor Clares. I'd like them to have the opportunity of visiting the Clares, praying with them, etc. Would you suggest Aptos or Los Altos?

April 12, 1979


Berard Connolly, O.F.M.
Franciscan Novitiate
2011 - 38th Avenue
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Dear Berard,

After obtaining the favorable vote of the members of the Definitorium, I am happy to announce that you have been appointed as Examiner for Candidates to the novitiate, in accord with Art. 156, 4-a of the General Constitutions.

I want to take advantage of this opportunity to thank you for all that you have done for the novices during this past year. I know it has meant much both to them and to Brian, and has given the novitiate another dimension that makes it even more Franciscan.

With fraternal regards and thanks, I am



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January 8th, 1980

[Redacted]

Dear [Redacted]

I am writing on behalf of [Redacted] and myself.

May we have permission to take a "jubilee trip" to Assisi during the year 1980. The actual jubilee was in 1973 but we three are procrastinators and because of circumstances none of us took a jubilee trip at that time.

I requested permission last year and received it but time has run out on the OK.

We will probably need some assistance.

Fraternal ly,

Bernard

Bernard Connolly, O.F.M.

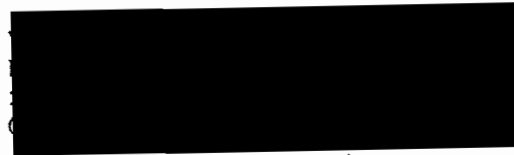


Lord, what do you want me to do?
— francis of assisi

FRANCISCANS

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March 5th, 1981



Dear [REDACTED]

Three post-novitiate friars in Santa Barbara are scheduled to renew their Simple Promises April 16th. They are: Gus Krumm, Joe Schwab and David Paz. May I have delegation for Robert VanHandel to receive the Promises of Gus and Joe and David Temple to receive them for David Paz.

On March 25th we will have a day of recollection at Serra Retreat for Gus, Joe, Dave and myself. The eminent preacher Brian Flynn has agreed to share the day with us. You're invited! I will also invite Steve Gillis and Ernie Pico.

Thanks.

Peace!

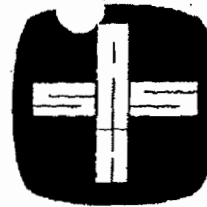
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c. [REDACTED]

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February 26, 1981

Dear Father,

Sunday morning Brother James Phelan died. He died holding the hand of one of our students who was at the Mission doing "Christian Service II". I am happy Jimmy was afforded this consolation at the moment of death. Jimmy was interested in our Formation Program. I see a "passing it on."

I am taking a few moments of your time because you are the front line of the Province's ministry to the people we serve. You are the Province's image. In this busy ministry may I add another request.

I ask you to be on the look-out for likely candidates for St. Anthony's. At present only three Franciscan parishes are represented in our studentbody: Tigard, St. Clare's and Huntington Beach. The boys from these parishes are of superior quality. I am certain there are equally fine 8th, 9th and 10th grade boys in your parish for whom St. Anthony's would be the ideal school.

St. Anthony's is a good school. For some it is the ideal school. Perhaps it would be the perfect school for a boy from your parish. Should there be such boys in your school or CCD Program, please let me know and I'll set up an appointment to speak with them individually and/or as a group. I do have a classroom program I am anxious to show to Eighth Grade Boys.

In past years there have been many questions regarding the idea of a school such as St. Anthony's. And, too often, unknowing answers. I believe St. Anthony's has examined every question and where advisable has responded by action. Today we are proud of the eleven young men, graduates of SAS, in the Province Associate Program.

As I visit schools I see much of the former opposition to minor seminaries being replaced by a new awareness. I am welcomed by teachers and principals where only a few years ago a Vocation Promoter would be shown the door.

I am proud that the majority of the people we serve in the St. Barbara Province are classified "minorities." I am also proud of the St. Anthony's studentbody where close to forty percent of the students are from hispanic backgrounds. We offer these young men the promise of a superior education with an appreciation of their heritage. And we look to the future of our Province and ministry.

A student wrote the following about SAS - "The most beautiful thing about St. Anthony's is knowing you are not alone. There is always someone to help you when you need it. There are friends who care. This must work both ways. You must care and help those around you. SAS is a place where we can live and know ourselves. It helps us realize our talents. That we are valuable people. That a person is more important than material things."

Thank you, Father. You may wish to use the enclosed in your parish bulletin.

Peace!

Berard

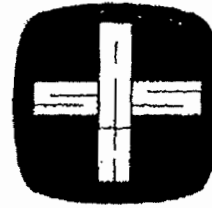
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St. Anthony's Seminary High School in Santa Barbara, CA, operated by our Franciscans, provides scholastic excellence in a community atmosphere for the high school boy who wants something different: an education in the Franciscan tradition with the goal of bringing Franciscan values to adult life.

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Dear [REDACTED]

While I'm thinking of it..... You said you would be in a bind with our graduation and Loren's priesthood coming on the same day.

If I can help you out at graduation - and should there be no one greater than I - let me know and I'll say a "few" words in behalf of yourself and the Province.

See you in Cowiche!

Have a Happy Easter.

Peace!

Bernard

*David
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Lord, what do you want me to do?
— francis of assisi

Francis of Assisi
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May 19th, 1981

Dear [REDACTED]

I phoned Miguel in Guaymas and asked him to write up a request for the money he needs. Kevin had already contacted him and he is quite happy. Miguel sounded good and very appreciative. (Now I hope it goes through!)

Also, will you write a message of some sort to our graduates for me to read to them at graduation. Naturally, I'll say a "few" words but I know something from you will be appreciated by the kids, parents and especially the faculty.

Life goes well here. Ozzie seems content at the Old Mission. Thursday I'll be in LA talking to some older candidates and will venture into St. Joe's.

Will I see you Monday at St. Elizabeth's?

Peace!

Berard

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October 16, 1981

Dear [REDACTED]

Back in Zion! One of my kids sent me the ticket so here I am for another wedding. One day they are freshmen and the next married men. It's been a good visit, the snow flew a little and those damn mountains look good.

Have spent not a little time with the friars. Things look good here. Rodrigo and I went for a ride this afternoon and he seems very content. Speaks well of Donan, Paschal and Connie. Hope the best for all. (I guess I do have to admit a special consideration for Zion.)

This is not entirely a social letter.....

1) I have some better than I thought feelings about Bill Brand and the Secular Franciscans. Met Bill when he was Santa Barbara for a TO visitation. Seems to have a bit more maturity about the TO than I expected.

2) Bob Artman, IC Province, seems to be trying to get back out to the Old Mission infirmary. He tells Pierre his Provincial might (!) OK it though there may be question regarding his formation director. Pierre asked me the particulars should a man wish to enter our Province. Don't want to push anything but thought you may be interested.

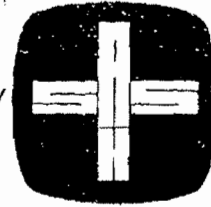
3) re Gus Krumm. Sorry for not getting letters of recommendation out to you. I was of the opinion you would ask those you wished to ask and it was unnecessary for the community to vote. I passed Gus' request on to Robert. I will write my letter as soon as I again see Gus, hopefully when I am in San Francisco-Danville this coming week.

Will I see you at Danville for the pre-novitiate directors meeting.

Peace!

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May 28th, 1982

Dear [REDACTED]

Thanks for the visitation and for the "up" you have given the friars and the kids. I personally thank you for the encouragement you gave me. Just don't let anyone snap their fingers when I'm around the jelly beans!

This morning [REDACTED] was telling me two or possibly three of his "pilgrims" may not be able to make the trip because of illness. I do not know what this could do to his plans.

I think it important that [REDACTED] does go as he hopes to. He is counting on the trip and at this time needs it. Should something fall through with the pilgrimage plans I hope we can provide the wherewith to send him to the homeland and to Assisi.

If you concur, I hope we can assure him he will be able to go pilgrimage or not. I may be jumping the gun but he does count on the trip.

Peace!

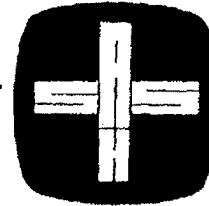
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October 15, 1982

Dear [REDACTED]

Thanks for taking care of the GUaymas thing. I called Marty this afternoon. They were still awaiting the Obispo. Hope things go OK. God knows there is more than enough work for all!

Talked with David Carriere. First I spoke with David Temple. At first Dave C accepted things alright but became a bit more agitated as we went on. He was more calm than I expected but I suppose he will meet you well armed with papers from his doctors and supporters. Poor guy.

Interestingly enough David Temple suggested that perhaps Dave would do a bit better working with hispanics. Says Dave hold his knowledge of spanish as an achievement - which it is.

Guadalupe is still bitter. Sad how a guy can be so eaten up. Hope I'm better able to face life when I am his age.

Antonine Correa, at the Mission, asked to be considered for Denver! He is interested primarily because it is within walking distance of the college - also wants a new start from the Mission. Another one to see at the "visitation".

Regarding the FC allocation: I want to wait until we meet at SJB. Again, too big a money for me to grasp!

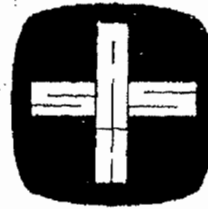
Peace! 

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Jeff -

Richard McManus asked me to see if I could get discussion of the Health Committee on the agenda of the upcoming definitorium meeting.

He is willing to serve on the committee, especially in the field of mental health.

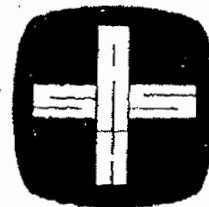
See you the Fifth!

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March 8, 1983

Dear [REDACTED]

To let you know Tony Lavorin has arrived at the Old Mission. Today, Tuesday, he goes up to St. Francis Hospital for three days of tests.

I spent awhile with Tony yesterday. He looks very good and seems in equally good spirits. He is concerned about his internal problems and admitted his back is quite painful.

Right now, as far as his future goes, he reminded me that when he, Joe and Tom went to Peru they made a pact that the last one there would have six months to pack-up and say goodbye. While he talked a little about returning to Peru he is honest to admit he just may not be up to it.

He told me you had spoken of Whiteriver with Eddie Fronske. He is interested in that. They would be a great team - although Tony is tone-deaf!

The Peru situation could free Tom Messner for FST. Hate to say we give up Peru since I have always believed the missions are our first call, but at least we would be building up the Indian missions with Tony. Also, we have to find help for Joe C.

Peace!

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FRANCISCAN FRIARS PROVINCE OF SAINT BARBARA

April 13, 1984

Berard Connally, O.F.M.
St. Anthony's Seminary
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Santa Barbara, CA 93105

Dear Barry,

Thanks for your letter and fill in on things that happened while I was out of the Province. I'm sure sorry that I was not able to be at the Southern California Regional. I hope Peter can get on top of this and that we can get a schedule together that does not conflict with things such as our Provincials meeting. We had to actually change one of them because they were even scheduled to conflict with themselves.

I heard from Alan about John Donnelly pulling out of the infirmary. Apparently he found Sister just too bossy. I don't know how to react to that.

I appreciated your comments about Larry Hogan's will. Could you possibly pass that on to Gavin in Scottsdale? He would probably be the one to look it up.

I don't know what to think about the hand-maidens at Mission San Antonio, I really have not heard anything from Josef about it. I suppose it could work either way, either he could mention it to Joe Larue or if he prefers, I could send a note. He did say they were only there for a limited time and I think Joe Larue is aware that they should not be there when the novices come if for no other reason than the question of space. Generally when he does his booking he is very conscious of other groups coming and very cautious about double booking.

I did get a little chance to talk with Tom Mesner and I got a letter also from Tony Lavorin. It seems that at present, Tom will go down this summer to teach for a couple of months at the little seminary there and then talk to Tony when he comes back about what the prospects look like. I guess one concern is that the Bishop may be moving out and could be replaced by an "Opus Dei" type.

Thanks for looking into the situation with Paschal, I hope that it will work out so that he feels happy and not pushed out.

Finally, I'm glad you got a chance to come up and see your mother, Edilbert filled me in that she is now home but went through a rather rough bout. I hope everything will be O.K.

Thanks again for keeping on top of so many things and for the full report. I appreciate it. We'll be off to Vegas tomorrow, hope you also have a good Holy Week and Easter.

With fraternal affection,

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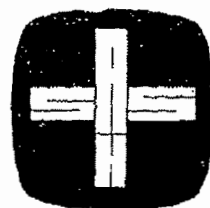
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Louie

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April 5

Dear [REDACTED]

In case I miss you this weekend while I am in Oakland. Hope to see my mother as she isn't too well. Also, I'm with Mike Weldon on the vocation program at FST.

- 1) Spoke to Finbar about Larry Hogan's "fortune." Finbar remembers him saying that whatever he has will go to the friars. He suggests contacting Valley Bank of Phoenix for the will. They may have it or at least have a lead as to where it may be.
- 2) Anthony Lavorin called me the other night. Is interested in Mescalero but much more interested in Peru. Claims his health is OK.
- 3) Spoke with Tom Messner at the So. Cal. Regional. Tony has been in touch with him. He asked Tony to wait until he return from the summer at the seminary in Peru. Then perhaps both of them will go - to the seminary, not the mountains. The prelate has invited Tony back. There is still question as to what will happen should JP II appoint an Opus Dei prelate or bishop.
I suppose I do not have that great a concern for Tony's physical health. Better to die happy than otherwise.
- 4) Joe Prochnow is very concerned about the Hand-maidens at San Antonio. He doesn't want them at the Mission when the novices are there. Doesn't know if he should tell Joe La Rue or if it should come from the Provincial Office. Perhaps Joe P. could invite them to stay at the novitiate while the novices are at San Antonio. They are good housekeepers!
- 5) You were missed at the So. Calif. Regional. The guys understand you couldn't be there. Since I was not prepared I did not give a report, same goes for Josef. There was a bit of flack about dates being changed but this was by the more professional flack-makers. The talk was unbelievable. You will hear about it. Don't know where Anthony G. picks up his speakers. Well, at least we learned that we will still (!) be potent at age 150 if we eat correctly.
- 6) John Donnelly saw me earlier this week to tell me he no longer works full time in the infirmary. The separation was more peaceful than I feared. He will still be "on call" when needed.
- 7) Hear nothing but praise for Loren B. and Joe C. from Jeff Macnab, Elmer and John Donnelly for the pre-solemn vows meeting at San Juan. First time I've heard such praise for that gathering.
- 8) Mike Welshaar asked me to see Paschal about moving to San Miguel. Talked with Evan who says Paschie is now happy to stay at 3 Rivers and that he would also welcome Wendy. I want to see Paschal on my way home from Oakland on Monday.

Welcome home!

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— francis of assisi

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April 17, 1984

Dear [REDACTED]

Happy Easter! The Lord could have been born in a woods but surely He rose in the desert.

Was in Oakland last weekend. Hauled some kids up and also saw my mother. She isn't doing that well but is a determined woman. Have been doing some serious death-thinking lately, perhaps because of my mother or John or lent. We have a good faith. Edilbert is a support for my mother as he was for me a long while back at SAS.

Went over to Three Rivers to see Paschal. He is genuinely concerned about doing God's will and seems to fear his determination could interfere with it. I suggested he offer three places he may want to go to and the Provincial would help him discern. He is not adverse to staying at Three Rivers although he says the hustle and the noise of a retreat center does bother him. He asked about Cowlitz and San Miguel. He definitely does not want to be put on the shelf. Several times he told me that and that his health is much improved. Where did formation go wrong with men like Paschal, Ivo and Romauld.

Evan says he is happy with Paschal staying there if he wants to. He would not want Paschal to be pushed out and feels he would work along with Wency should Wency be going to Three Rivers. Mike W.'s wishes are no secret to anyone at Three Rivers. Evan is more concerned about Roy. I believe he is willing to take a firmer hand but is wondering as John A. told him he would take care of it. Now what? While at Three Rivers I spent some good time with Ron Hesson. Also with Lester who I am worried about. Lester still smokes and pours on the salt. He is just not taking care of himself. I know he is a grown man and there is little anyone can do about it.

Easter Monday I am driving Antoine to San Luis Rey for a few days. He is interested in making habits - says he ought to work for the Province! He wants to check out the SLR tailor shop and I suppose the community. He has talked about this with others including Alan. Would like to come to some decision before our May meeting. I talked over some of the difficulties I can see but he feels that he could make it as long as Ralph could be his spiritual director. I have been working with Antoine for awhile and have encouraged him. I do not think the Old Mission SB is all that healthy for him. Let me know your hesitations and should someone check with his doctor. Joe C will be in tomorrow so I will speak to him about it.

This afternoon I'll meet with the wellness committee. Sad that this is becoming a political thing. I'll talk with you about John and the infirmary when I see you. It isn't as bad as it sounds.

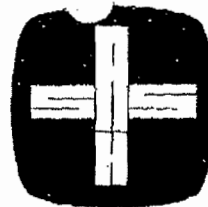
Regarding Tony Lavorin. Hope you have the opportunity of talking with Eddie and Elmer. I guess I still favor Peru for Tony.

Will be at the N/W Regional. Going up for Michel's celebration on Sunday. --- Again, Happy Easter!

Reverend

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March 18, 1984

Dear [REDACTED]

It was good being with you and the definitorium last week. In many ways it was a very different meeting. There wasn't the pressure of deadline and yet there was the frustration which always comes from personnel. The FST issue is deadly and I guess I too much take to heart whatever comes flying toward SAS. Still, we kept our cool and for this I thank you.

While it wasn't the same without [REDACTED] - especially that "I'll go" of his great heart - we pulled together and who knows how proud [REDACTED] may be of us. In my Irish way I appreciated [REDACTED] not sitting at [REDACTED] usual place at least for that first meeting. Now we're on our own.

To be sure Josef and I have difficulties regarding the philosophy of novitiate, formation and perhaps life - especially in the realm of poverty, location and style of novitiate and yet I was very pleased with how easily he fitted into the definitorium. He is a good man.

Josef and I visited at San Antonio on our way south -- wheeeee! Joachim seemed more phrenetic than usual and Joe LaRue more resigned. We missed Frank and Leo! Saw the "Handmaidens" from afar. Who were we to violate their cloister! I know this business is a concern of Josef and one which will have to be cleared up before the novices are at San Antonio. John kept Joe and company at SAM on the right path. I hope Josef will be able to do as well. It is a novitiate of the Province. The enclosed newsletter was in the Mission church and gives a clue to Zimmer and the handmaidens! Of course, Joachim thinks they are the greatest thing since Ursula and her ten thousand virgins.

San Miguel was more pleasant. Reggie looked good and seem quite alert: Says he has a little trouble when on his feet too long but is looking forward to the September Fiesta.

Back home the big talk was the flap over at the Mission because of the Infirmary. Josef talked with Alan and I hope he has been in touch with Joe C. or yourself. Sister was pretty distraught. A sad scence, the whole business. Goodness does conquer, I'm told.

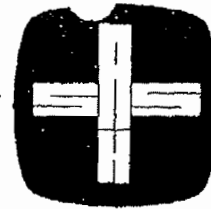
Phil is not doing all that well here at SAS. Since the guys here, myself included, are a bunch of whoosis, they are hesitant about the "push 'em to the brink" school of confrontation and hope you will talk with Phil rather than Joe C. I guess this is a judgment call. We will do our best.

When I returned home I found just too many kids wanted to talk with me and my community asked me to stay home. Therefore, I did not go to Phoenix. Next week I

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will be going south with Floyd.

Tony Lavorin wrote me about MAAC and also Peru. He wants to see me. Do I encourage? Will you be in touch with him before I see him? It was a good letter. He says his health is better -- what else is new?

Talked with Benny yesterday. Didn't make too much headway about his either helpin in or taking over a parish. Is very interested in being at a retreat house. You know, we are becoming contemplative by default. In any case, Benny has himself pretty well occupied until the end of the year with institutes and Europe. Brother Tom Paige was telling me this morning over coffee how important Benny was to the institute and how he encouraged the men.

Almost forgot, at San Antonio Theophane wanted to talk with me so I asked him to include Josef. Theo is very anxious to get a hospital or rest home. Has an appointment with Bishop Schubsda and hopes McFarland won't blackball him as to his health. I suggested, since he wants to be in Monterey now, that he get in touch with the Franciscan Sisters of St. Joseph for Dying Sinners! They're a local group and who knows.. Is Moe's sister still Mother General? Theo looked very thin but seems to be OK. Brought up the Jewish question!

My God, I wish I wrote this much for Westfriars.

Thanks again. Have a good visit in Madre Mexico.

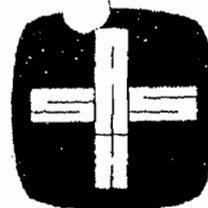
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February 5, 1985

Dear [REDACTED]

After the def. I went on to Guaymas with Sam and the Waltzs. Was a good trip although the car was thoroughly searched at the Border by the Mexicans. Seems they are more than a little concerned about arms coming into the country, especially in cars bearing California plates. On way through Hermisillo we found snow off the high way which seems to be the first snow many have seen.

Guaymas was good and as usual I fell in love with the kids there. If only I spoke that language! Believe it or not I did have a great two hour visit with a sixteen year old I've known since he was a little kid at the Hogar some six years ago. Dario is the only person in all of Mexico who understands my Spanish!

I saw Marty only briefly on his way to Tucson. He does look good and just about everyone who spoke to me said how well he is doing. Friars even speak of him having a "new heart."

Saw Antonio at San Fernando where I went for Sunday Mass and where he was substituting for an assistant. Says a fine Mass. I understand the guys had a good meeting and a lot of their problems were brought out into the open. The friars gathered at Miguel's place one evening and we had a good visit. It does seem they are trying to "begin anew." The problems are by no means one sided, or so I am told and so I saw myself.

Bill says he has seldom been happier. In many ways he seems to be a leaven to the situation, listening to all sides, being impartial. We spoke a few minutes so he told me of his hopes of taking classes this summer in the states when Guaymas is too hot. Bill sounds like he would like to stay in Mexico.

Miguel is happier with the situation since the meeting and says all must share in whatever difficulties they have community-wise. He is often pre-occupied with finances and does feel somewhat left out when it comes to Province thought about Guaymas. He is sensitive to this and perhaps the Visitor's schedule is an example of his place seemingly being slighted. He is doing well but, like all of us, needs assurance that others care. He is working on paying the FMU back for his van but this is almost an albatross around his neck. Several times he told me of how he is doing what he can. Says Martial is understanding but has reminded him of the debt. We'll work it out someday.

Sam is Sam and I was nevertheless surprised at the distance he kept

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between himself and Oscar and Jose. Miguel believes Sam needs more direction as to where his life is going. Like many of us, Formation is almost the moth/candle situation where he can't stand it and yet can't keep away from it. Sam does good manual work in fixing the places in the area and for this Miguel is most appreciative.

I did not see Oscar but I am assured he is doing a fine job on the dispensario's finances and in apostolic ministry. I was amazed at the number of funerals he and Jose take. They would do well at Cooper's.

Had a good visit with Jose. He looks good and seems busy in whatever they were sent to Guaymas to do. He is interested in coming back to the states but says he is not yet ready for the Bay Area. Asked if there would be a place at SAS for him should another plan not work. I do not know what "other plans" involve nor do I know how Formation would feel about him coming to SAS. I personally would welcome him.

Had an interesting discussion with Jose, Miguel, Sam and John Howard where all said we should encourage vocations to look at the Mexican Province. Say the vocation director is a good man and things are now much better in that Province. Jose, surprisingly to me, feels quite strongly about this..The matter was brought up because there is a high school boy in Guaymas Marty would like to send to SAS and also a young man in his twentys interested in the SB Province.

Physically the place looks good. Miguel's place is spotless as usual but he is afraid he may have to replace the roof over the boys dorm due to rot. San Damian is in fine shape. The new building behind the dispensario seems adequate and part of it is being used by the AA.

Personally, this was one of my best visits. Miguel and I spent many hours talking together and renewing some good things in our lives. Mexico can bring out an honesty in one.

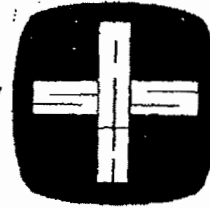
Hear you will be with us next week so will see you then.

Peace!

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March 11, 1986

Dear [REDACTED]

I suppose I should tell you of my latest adventures in the world of health.

Five minutes before my operation two doctors came into my room (Drama!) to tell me the knee operation would be "too dangerous." The second blood test showed too much sugar in my blood.

The days after were bad. Depression or whatever told me I had lost the Church in September, my mother in December and now my health in March! I was feeling very, very sorry for myself.

Anyhow, I have gone to Dr. DeBerry who tells me I have Diabetes II and with medication and diet control should be able to get the blood back to normal and also get my knee worked on. I have confidence in DeBerry and let's hope things go well.

Dr. DeBerry graphically showed me how the sugar does change my moods and causes a real let down feeling. Things I consider moral malfunctioning - mood swings and general lethargy - seem to have a physical cause. He drew a curve chart which mapped my day almost exactly. Down with Jelly Beans at definitorium meetings!

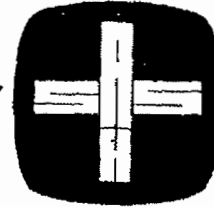
Otherwise, life on the 16 1/2 acres goes well enough. I have Loren Blessing coming in tomorrow for our recollection day. Hope we just don't sit in silence.

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Because of the above doctor's appointment, I wasn't able to get to Tom's funeral but a good number of us, including kids, were at the burial last evening. Tom was good to me at St. Joe's in those early days.

Hope the Province and yourself are well. Be seeing you.

Peace!

Benny Crowley

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UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME
NOTRE DAME, INDIANA 46556

July 10, 1985

Dear [REDACTED]

And here we are at Notre Dame! Tonight Loren B., Howard, Joaquin and I left campus for an Italian dinner (good!); a fun evening with toasts to "our mother in the west." Only friars from St. Barbara's province would walk a mile and a half for dinner.

Class and life at Notre Dame have been just great. A thank you to and the Province. I could get used to this life! Had a great class on sexuality and intimacy. Now I know why some of my friends act a little funny. My afternoon class is the true delight - Drawing 101! Yesterday I glowed like a second grader when the teacher said my drawing of a chair was so good I could go on and draw the table. I was waiting for a nude.

Notre Dame is impressive. Liturgy is certainly grand high church. I guess I really prefer the Grotto. There are a good number of Brothers at the Institute, mostly Irish Christian Brothers; and we form a type of support group. Most of my fellow students are nuns in well stretched stretch pants coming in all colors. I think I'm in love with a Vietnamese Holy Cross Sister novice. From my art class, naturally.

The downer is my mother is again in the hospital and doing poorly. This does preoccupy me. I call my sister each evening. May be my Irish but I wonder about July 16.

Hope the Province is well. Out here you certainly hear the praise of FST for its openness and willingness to extend itself to all. We are a good province.

Peace - or as we say, Louie, xin chũa ban bình an cho anh!

Benny Connolly

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CEMETERY DEPARTMENT
P.O. BOX 577 • COLMA, CALIFORNIA 94014**

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756-2060**

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SAN RAFAEL
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MENLO PARK
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Funeral Director: _____

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9. Record to: _____

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7. Phone: Res. _____

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AUTHORIZATION:

I certify that I have the right to make this authorization and agree to hold the cemetery free from and indemnified against any liability on account of your compliance with this authorization. You are hereby authorized to open the grave or crypt as described above for the interment of: _____

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Misc.	101	1		\$70.00		\$70.00
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It is agreed that the above balance is to be paid on or before _____, 19____.

Should any sum remain unpaid after the above date, a late charge of 1/2% of the unpaid balance may be assessed each month until paid. If after three (3) consecutive months no payment has been received, Item 2 of the section titled Payments of the terms and conditions of the agreement shall apply. If a late charge is assessed and paid, Item 2 of the section titled Payments of the terms and conditions of the agreement will not be implemented without written notice. Should this agreement be placed with an attorney for collection, I, we, or either of us agree to pay ten percent of the amount then due as attorney's fee for collection without suit; but if suit be instituted for the collection of this agreement, I, we, or either of us promise to pay such sum as the court may fix as attorney's fees.

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We acknowledge that we have received a copy of this agreement. Counselor _____

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UNDERTAKER:

MADELINE MARY SCOTT

COOPER MORTUARY

12-11-85

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RECORD:

BROTHER BERARD CONNOLLY OFM
2300 GARDEN ST
SANTA BARBARA CA 93105

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TELEPHONE 756-2060

December 23, 1985.

Brother Berard Connolly, O.F.M.
2300 Garden Street
Santa Barbara, CA 93105

RE: MADELINE MARY SCOTT, Deceased
3 - 19 - 52

Dear Brother Connolly:

In response to your letter of December 14, 1985 regarding the interment charges for your late mother, it is regrettable that the individuals who will be paying the bill were not able to come to the cemetery to make the interment arrangements as all the charges would have been fully explained to them at that time.

The total of \$954.26 on invoice #135342 covers the following:

Interment (Opening and Closing of the grave) - Labor	\$378.00
Recordation (Fee for recording the interment)	60.00
Grave Box (This is a liner for the grave in which the casket is placed and is a requirement by the cemetery)	327.00
Tax on same.	21.26
Installation of the Grave Box (Labor to install)	88.00
Graveside Service	80.00
Total	<u>\$954.26</u>

We hope the explanation of the charges will be of assistance to those who will be paying these charges, and will help them to understand that it is not just for the labor to open and close the grave.

Assuring you of our cooperation and desire to be of assistance in all matters pertaining to the cemetery, I remain,

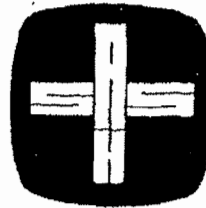
Sincerely,

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HOLY CROSS CEMETERY
James E. Cornett
James E. Cornett
Office Supervisor

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November 30

Dear [REDACTED]

Stopped at San Miguel on my way back to Santa Barbara. Saw Cliff, had a candy bar or two and was on my way.

- 1) He is willing, agreeably so, to stay on until Felipe comes in April or summer or "whenever."
- 2) He has already called on Leo and this information is in their Sunday Bulletin. He and Leo are working out the schedule.
- 3) I told him the definitorium is interested in his ideas for a House of Prayer and that with him we are closer to the reality than ever. I talked a bit about the Spiritual Life committee. Cliff wants us to realize this will take time, over a period of years, and the friars will in the long run determine the course and style of a hermitage.
- 4) I thanked him for what seems to be a renewed interest in life for Reggie. Cliff says Reggie now wants more to do (!) and this is something they will work out. The same seems to hold for Tom.
- 5) Cliff has already had a visitation with everyone in the community. This week he will see the lay staff. He will soon tackle the books which he says are in sorry state from at least five years back. The books include parish, house and retreat center.

Things look a lot better at San Miguel. Only hope the guys will adjust. I think they will.

Peace!

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Yours truly,
Salomon McBratt


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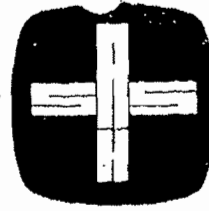
funeral was, as the Irish say, a grand one and I am still
from the great presence and love of the friars. You
so right when at the airport you told me people were for
ing at times like this.

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Brian

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January 11, 1986

Dear [REDACTED]

Hope you and Mike gave Fernando a good send-off. There was good coverage here in the LA area both by radio and TV. The S/W friars did well by Paul. About a 100% turn out of friars. Mike Dallmeier, as usual, gave a fine homily. It was nice of Bishop O'Brien to officiate but having an outsider does take away a little of our ownership of the affair. I know it's probably poor theology speaking of a Bishop that way but anyhow...

A few items -

As you know, Richard McManus' father died. Richard seems quite shook up by it all. I decided on my own to represent the Province at the funeral. Joe C thought it good to do so. I also want to repay Richard for the good things he did for me at my mother's funeral last month. Will you ask Martial to reimburse me.

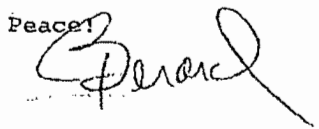
I spoke to Jan about his eyes as you asked. I encouraged him to see another doctor. He went to Dr. Hogan, a very good eye doctor, and is now scheduled for catarack (sp?) removal the end of this month. Mike will inform you.

When Mike goes on sabbatical I will be here as Vicar. I won't tell Hammar if you won't! Will you spell our jurisdiction for me and the community. I believe we said something about the minister provincial reserving jurisdiction to himself when a Brother is superior. I really am not all that clear on jurisdiction except I believe it's a no-no for a layman (even a "pious" one) to tell a clergyman where to get off.

Fabian went to the Bay Area this morning. His sister's cancer is quickly spreading. There has been so much death and illness this month. I've had some strange reactions in myself since my mother's death and may stop by Dr. White's for a visit or two.

Talked in San Diego area schools earlier this week. Saw Mike at SLR! Also Alex at Huntington Beach. Hope to be in the Bay Area the week of the 20th so maybe our paths will cross. In anycase, we'll all be together at SLR the end of the month!

Peace!

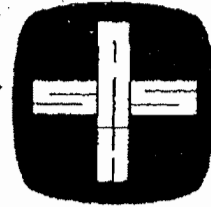

Richard's home phone: 305-968-2335

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Dear [REDACTED]

Just a quick note to thank you for the two provincial letters I received this afternoon.

I think you very well addressed the financial overhaul in the Provincial office and were exceptional kind to Martial. It wasn't maudlin and it was very true.

I was very touched by your letter on prayer. I guess I should say I felt a bit guilty. I hope Cowlitz will help me refocus more of a prayer life. After all, I guess prayer is why we became friars.

While your letter spoke of prayer, Louie, to me it was another example of your heroic poverty. I would find it difficult to stand (or write) before the friars and tell them of my prayer as honestly as you did in your letter. There is something about standing "naked" which in my case is more obscene and less exciting.

See you at Danville.

Peace!

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Bernard".

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FRANCISCAN FRIARS PROVINCE OF SAINT BARBARA

August 19, 1986

Berard Connolly, OFM
St Francis Friary
139 Spencer Road
Toledo, WA 98591

Dear Berard:

I understand you have arrived in Washington, and should be in residence at our Historic Spot at Cowlitz Prairie. I'm sure you are doing a bit of taking the land, and sinking your roots at this time, and that should be a good time. I am very happy about what is going on there Berard, and I am looking forward to the future. I hope you will be happy there, and feel fulfilled.

I do want to thank you Berard for your recent letter, in response to the Provincial letters I sent out. It was very nice of you to make the comments that you did. When you send out those kinds of letters; both the one about Martial & the one about prayer, you do feel hesitant about how they will be received, and I appreciate very much your comments. When I returned home, they were already here waiting for me.

Your encouragement in the past is what has spurred me on, in trying to do this sort of thing, so I am glad to receive that continued encouragement.

I met with Joe to plan out our meeting coming up next week. It should be a good time to reflect on where we are going, as there are not too many demands for personnel.

Thanks again Berard for your warm fraternal support.

With warm fraternal regards,



Please give my best to Steve, in your new venture.

1500 thirty-fourth Avenue
Oakland CA 94601

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Provincial Minister (415) 536-3722
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FRANCISCAN FRIARS PROVINCE OF SAINT BARBARA

November 8, 1986

Berard Connolly, OFM
St. Francis Friary
139 Spencer Road
Toledo, WA 98591

Dear Berry:

It was good talking with you the other night.

I want to thank you once again for helping me with visitation. I did get the report on the visitations that you had. I must say you did a lot better of a visit than I did, as I seem to have been focussed on the present problem where you raised some very interesting questions and got some very good feed back from the guys. I really appreciated that and thanks a lot for sending your notes.

Over-all I think the house is doing rather well. I appreciated the strong affirmation for Pat that you registered. I will pass those on to him as I know those will be of considerable help for him.

I am heading on down to San Antonio and the following day to St. Anthony's. I know that is a real concern for you and hope that I and the others can be as sensitive to their needs as you are.

Thank you again Berard for your support in so many other ways. I do look forward to our working together as we finish out our time on board.

Please give my best to the other friars there.

with fraternal affection,



December 30, 1986

Dear [REDACTED]

The end of 1986 finds me at Pat's hide-away in Long Beach, Washington. I came over here yesterday morning and will return to Cowlitz tomorrow. Didn't make a regular retreat this year so thought it best to finish up the year with a couple of recollection days. I'm glad I did. This place is excellent and I can see why and how Pat found it.

Why am I writing you? I don't really know except I guess there are things I want to say and really do not know who else to say them to at this time. Besides, I guess it goes somewhere in your job description as Minister Provincial.

What have I thought about these couple of days? This afternoon I walked along this huge and mighty beach alone. There wasn't a soul on it. Water always attracts me. I'm a genuine Pices. The sea attracts me and brings the best out of me. Must be the Irish in me. This afternoon the tide was far out. This is the time for the highest tides with the moon, earth and stars all being in the right path. I walked to the very edge of the beach, to the tideline. It must have been like standing at the edge of the world. The ocean is immense, the beach seems without end and yet the sky is so very near.

I felt so unusual, even for me! This my first full year of being an orphan, has been not so much difficult but more unusual. Standing alone on that beach I felt as though I were the only man on this planet and yet somehow standing against that cold wind I felt completely enveloped in God. I thought I ought to cry but I felt too provided for to do that.

This evening, before lighting a fire in the fireplace and writing this letter, I sat on the porch of this little cabin listening to the roar of the sea but I couldn't keep my eyes from the sky. It is crowded with stars. Like a thousand Christmas trees. The vault of heaven covers me and I feel so very mortal. Does everyone go through ^{this} at certain times in life, or is it that earth, moon, star pull we have today? Sin is surely a part of my life, the sin of neither loving wholly nor accepting without a lot of phantoms hurting and getting in the way. Yet even this is no where as real as somehow being completely held in God's arms. I can't run into the sea and this damn leg keeps me from sprinting along the beach. I guess I just want to lay on the sand and hope that God will hold me tight.

I am so grateful for Pat's discovery of The Light House. I called a piece of driftwood "The Patrick" this morning and I threw it into the ocean. I hope it drifts as far as Oakland. I think it was cedar.

Tomorrow it's back to Cowlitz. Steve took off today for a day in Portland so I won't be leaving him alone this somewhat busy week. We'll cover New Year's and the Sunday and then he'll spend a few days in Spokane with his folks. It will be good for him.

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Steve is doing a great job with the parishes. Even today I met a priest here in town and he told me he had heard good things about our work in Cowlitz. Winlock is more receptive but they have had more or less alive friars while poor Toledo has had little but sin and "obedience" to the Holy Father poured down their necks.

Still, we are making good progress. It seems each week another family finds its way back to church. Families seem to like me, and I enjoy the work. I'm also a hick at heart.

Christmas was quite different. I missed the fun of the gatherings of friars, kids and friends at SAS but Christmas here was special in other ways. I helped folks build creches and decorate altars. (St. Francis has so many trees in it you expect to see Santa Claus sitting in the sanctuary.)

Sunday, several Winlock families put on a "progressive dinner" and we went from farm to farm eating all the way! So many folks in both parishes brought us home made cookies and candies. I had a very good Christmas preparation the days before. Instead of the usual fighting over Christmas decorations and nick-knacks. I visited several of the older parishioners at their homes. I brought the Holy Communion and told them the Christmas story. Don't tell Wherl but when I bring Holy Communion to someone I always break a part of the Host and "eat with them." Somehow it seems the normal thing to do. They eat alone too many times as it is.

There is a high school age boy in the Winlock parish who has been home in a coma for two years following a car accident. Somehow cradling his head in my hand and telling him the Christmas Story was the most important thing I did this Christmas. Looking into his eyes and not knowing if he heard a single word!

I wish life in the friary was as spiritfilled as life is in the parishes. I honestly do not know when I will explode - and I DO explode! How much longer I will be able to take Roger and his turning off lights and heat and going through my trash. Louie, I know you say "Do you want me to shot him? on occasions like this. Don't say it to me or I may ask for a gun! No matter what Steve and I try to do, Roger works to keep the house cold and dark. I'm getting more used to his junk everywhere and have been trying to clean up some of the filth in the house. I don't know if I am angry at Roger for being nuts or at the system that allowed him to develop into a man who saves even USED Christmas card envelopes! Maybe Steve and I should move to Winlock.

Well, now that I have that out of my system I realize I should have spent less time on looking at stars and ocean and more on the basic facts of friary life. But, Louie, I know this damn arthritic knee of mine isn't based on attitude but I have to admit it hasn't hurt as much the past two days as I know it will when I return.

Like I know you do, I've had some sleepless nights. I just don't know where to go on this SAS decision. I toss this way and that. Mind usually loses out to heart. One minute I know the kids would be

better at home and then I remember the kinds of homes some of them have. I really do not think it is an attachment to SAS that bothers me. I told you that many years ago SAS fucked both Kevin and I. That's past history and today I see good things being done.

The day before Christmas I was settled down regarding SAS when I get the enclosed letter. It's from a kid in Utah. Mike Weldon knows him. Jerry is flakey; when he wasn't accepted with us he tried a poly-gamous arrangement over in Utah. (And I have my opinions on that, too!) Anyhow, my friend Jerry is now in prison for holding up the American Fork branch of Zions First National Bank!

What Jerry wrote about things happening to him when St. Francis School, Provo, closed, hit me hard and I replaced Jerry, a Polish kid, with Tony, José, Victor and dozens of kids at SAS. Why do I have to get letters like this the day before Christmas!

Louie, the process still bothers me. SAS still seems to be the little guy on the block, a little guy with not too many friends. The friars at SAS try to do the right thing and all they get from so many in the Province is criticism. We probably have a situation at FST which ~~so~~ many in the Province will talk about but never criticise as they do SAS. St. Anthony's does its best, without too much money, to educate minorities and friars speak ill of it. FC caters to a different crowd and is home free because it has three million.

[REDACTED] please believe me when I tell you I know we are all trying to do what is right. I am trying to make sense out of it and I am trying not to let emotion get the better of me. I have been called by the Province to make decisions on fact, and with heart. I will do my best.

Well, now that I'm riled up again I best once more look up at the stars and tell the Lord of those heavens that right now I may need a clearer head and His steadying strong hand. I pray He hold me if I need him next month.

So, Louie, this is what happens when I lock myself up in a cabin on the beach. It has been good. I am merely sounding off to a friend whom I care very much for. Please, there is no need to answer this.

I pray we all have a good new year. Knowing that I can in some way share the burden you and Joe carry makes it a year I am looking forward to.

A Happy New Year to you and to Joe!

Peace!

Gerry
Lincoln

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Dear [REDACTED] and Sacred Dicasters,

It's done. Last night and at two Masses this morning I spoke the enclosed to the folks of St. George's. It was difficult because there were so many genuine tears, fond memories of just about every friar I mentioned - even Mike Dallmeier. I did not fully realize the affection the folks there have for us.

Jack Wamsley spoke for the diocese and I for the friars. I thought he did a fair job. They ARE ready to go---meeting with Parish Council Thursday, parish profile, etc. Hope the folks are ready for that organization. I thought Victoria, the Pastoral Assistant, especially cold. Perhaps the spoils...? Margaret, Parish Secretary, was very broken up.

Because parishioners are hurting I felt it was not a time to go into gory detail but to give them a chance for memories and to mourn a bit. I spoke my Irish best with necessary pauses, resonance and inflection to allow the mourning to flow. On the way down the aisle I remarked to Jack Wamsley that I felt I was at a funeral and I was the body. When asked privately I told them simply the diocese wanted the parish and they (the parish) will do well. I did a lot of hand holding and hugging (only those 18 and older!).

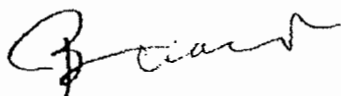
People have beautiful memories going back to Clement and certainly of John Altman. I am glad I mentioned a number of friars by name. "Fr. Clement married us," "Fr. Gratian built the church but Fr. Cornelius paid for it," "Fr. Michael was such a beautiful preacher," "I loved Fr. John," etc. etc. And everywhere, "How is Fr. David?"

Liturgy at St. George's is wonderful. The friars did well. Lectors, excellent choir, well trained altar persons and a congregation willing to sing and pray together. It was a good Sunday, though sad and still with questions.

Let me know if I am to do anything about the friars' account and anything we may have at the parish. I told Jack Wamsley I could come back in a few weeks to see what needs be done. Perhaps Mike and I.

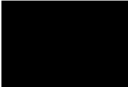
Before returning to Cowlitz I visited with the Sisters across the street. Good visit and better sweet rolls.

Peace!



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Another impulse!

I am sure many of the Brothers will wonder what the hell I'm writing about but I know others want me to say something.

Peace!

Ben

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Brother,

Yesterday I attended the Profession of nine friars at St. Elizabeth's. It was a good celebration with many friars, good music and a generous reception. Flying back to Cowlitz last night I knew I wanted to write the Solemnly Professed Brothers, the ones they call the Lay-brothers. Us!

In the past weeks I have been almost obsessed with thoughts of the new General Constitutions, especially with their Articles 2 and 3 which confirm the Friars Minor as a "clerical order" and what that means to us, to the Order and yes, to the Church. Several of you have telephoned me or have written. At yesterday's Solemn Profession I picked up so much hurt and anger from Brothers.

As a Brother who happens at this time to be definitor, I have a special concern for Brothers. True, I was elected to represent the whole Province as was every definitor on the board but because I am a Brother our needs are my first objective. This is why I am writing you.

My first reaction on hearing of the imposition of the new constitutions was to want to resign from the definitorium. (Not a big deal as I have only nine months left of my final term!) It would be a protest and perhaps a few - very few - would hear it. But what would that do to the possibility of another Brother being elected to the board? I don't know. I have an obligation to the Province and to the Provincial and the other definitors. I did not know what to do. After talking with several friars I decided to remain on the definitorium and perhaps in the nine months left I may be of service to the Province, especially we Brothers, as we cope with the new constitutions. If you feel otherwise, please let me know.

There are many who will wonder what the fuss is about. We have always been a clerical order so what's new! Some of you with your own unique Franciscan vision will simply say God's will be done! But others, and I believe the majority of you, are angry and hurt. I am. It is not because we aren't good friars but because in the past fifteen or so years we have come so far. We saw how much more we could do with the Order and the Church. We have a precious ownership of the Order and the new constitutions make all this questionable - at least in the mind of the Church. Being superior is not that important; belonging is.

Brothers, I thought of so many of you while flying Alaska Airlines last night. (No, it wasn't the food!) We are good people and we do much for the Order and the Church. I was impressed by the number of Brothers asked to be witnesses at the Solemn Profession. We do make a difference in the life of the friars. I am proud of men like Paschal who shows the contemplative dimension of our vocation, the wellspring of the Brother-call. And Gerard, Isidro and David at the Old Mission and Francis telling "those old enough to hear" the true history of our Province. I thought of Kelly teaching little kids in the Tenderloin and Pat breathing "anima" to the St. Elizabeth community. Ed Dunn "somewhere" in the heat of Central America and Tony in the Whitemountains; Bob Rodrigues telling high school kids about God and Jesse assuring battered kids that this God does love them. Gerard Saunders showing there is more to life than football - even at St. Mary's! - and Antonine reaching out to new worlds of art. Miguel caring for his orphans, Kevin his prisoners and Arturo his novices. Jim making our lives bright with garden color and Joe Brand greeting seniors he can hardly see. And

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August 25, 1987

Jerome Cardinal Hamer, O.P.
Congregation of Religious and Secular Institutes
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Rome, ITALY

Your Eminence

Respectfully, may I share my keen disappointment at the insistence of the Congregation of Religious and Secular Institutes that the Order of Friars Minor be considered a "clerical order."

My disappointment is not so much for what is, but for what could have been for the Franciscan Order and Holy Church.

Perhaps not in your lifetime nor in mine, but I believe this injustice will one day be remedied. As for now, so little has changed since blessed Brother Martin of Porres sought to be a friar preacher.

Asking for Your Eminence's blessing and with a firm wish for peace, I am, respectfully,

Berard Connolly, O.F.M.
Provincial Definitor

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Dear Jeff,

Enclosed is a letter I sent to CRIS. It will probably end up in some ornate Italian waste basket. But, then on the other hand, I may end up at the stake. In either case, you may want to see what I wrote in case Rome's thought patrol writes the office.

Peace!

A handwritten signature, possibly reading "Dun", written in dark ink.

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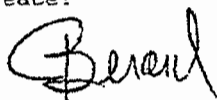
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slow. Maybe I'll be able to go hide someplace on the 7th and tend to a little mourning business.

Will see you in Santa Barbara. I've been talking to Gus a few times by phone so I really do not know what to expect as we gather at SAS. I may need more than prayer with this one. Now if I can get Alain to fast for me!

Hope your Thanksgiving was good. We have a country ecumenical service this evening, Don't know if you wear boots to it. Saturday brings an Advent Wreath party at Winlock and then the beautiful and haunting season of Advent begins.

Peace!



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Dear [REDACTED]

Enclosed is the report of my visit to St. Francis, Provo. It was a fraternal visit. The friars were hospitable and I tried to live within their community expectations. I listened to anyone willing to talk with me, I took notes and I snooped. I guess this is what a fraternal visitation is about. "Correcting" I leave to those with jurisdiction.

The side perk was certainly visiting old friends in the parish. The kids have grown and now I feel like a grandpa meeting their children. A parish like Provo is one you more appreciate after leaving.

My luncheon with Fr. Bob Bussen was a joy. You know how I like to relive past experiences. Also with Bob I could share some of the dreams we have as a Province plus my own hopes. Bob very much encouraged me to look into a Spanish language school in Bolivia! Something else to look forward to ~~what~~ ^{when} I take a sabbatical.

Life goes well here in the N/W. Roger hasn't been too well. His leg is bothering him quite badly. I visited Mike D the other night and he brought me up to date on the Ministers and Parochial workshops. Nice evening. Personally I'm having a little roughness in an unexpected way. December 7 is my mom's first anniversary and memories and tears come at embarrassing moments. My reactions have always been

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FRANCISCAN FRIARS PROVINCE OF SAINT BARBARA

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I am sorry to hear from your letter that you still feel a lot of pain over the situation at St. Anthony's, but I know that is to be expected.

You mentioned the graduation at St. Anthony's. Robert did make some oblique reference to it, but nothing clear request and I have not written down the date, nor do I know what it is but if it is good for me to go, of course I will if its at all possible. Maybe we could ask the Pope to send over his Pope-mobile ahead of time for us to use.

I hope that Easter time is a healing time and I look forward to seeing you at our meeting. Thanks a lot Berry for all that you do. Also for the last good issue of westfriars, I really do find that the friars do enjoy it and that it is more and more a source of spirit for the province, so thanks a lot.

with fraternal affection,



FRANCISCAN FRIARS PROVINCE of SAINT BARBARA

April 15, 1987

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Dear Berry:

Thank you for your recent letter, I appreciated you sending me a copy of your letter to Richard Juzix. I was concerned to hear of the development there, I still don't know quite what to make of it. I am trying to communicate from Richard and am presently expecting a call from him, but I think it is something we are going to have to discuss and try to come up with something, when we meet in May. I appreciate your answer and think it is a good one, and maybe this is the way we have to go. I also have not talked to Gino, as I am sort of waiting to hear what Richard has to say, but I will also try to get some kind of answer from him. As you may recall it was the desire of the definitorium to have that matter resolved at the May meeting, to get some kind of definitive answer about Gino whether he expects to go back or not. I have not heard of any new development so I imagine the situation is about the same there, and we are getting rather close to the May meeting, so we will have to see what happens.

There are many problems so bring your thinking cap with you. The situation at FST is not a good one and a difficult one to solve. I appointed a small committee; Geoffrey, myself and Floyd to do an evaluation of the administration there. We've spent three mornings visiting the faculty and members of the administration. They are pretty hard on Xavier, but I don't know just how much drastic action we will have to take. That will be something we will have to discuss at our meeting.

I've also been interviewing some of the people involved in changes, and I hope we can work them out. It does not seem that there will be too many, but it is never easy. We also just finished a meeting of the finance committee, and I don't know if we are getting too far on that but they are concerned of some more direction from the definitorium.

I also met down in Los Angeles with Bishop Ward, Rene Juarez and also Dan Young, to go over some of the ideas for the remodelling. At least they are of a conclusion the place is a disaster and something has to be done, even though they tend to blame us for the present situation. Or at least us and the liturgists. It is a little bit tricky as when we go before him, we have to play down what the liturgists are suggesting, and then it passes him it has to go to the chancery where the liturgists have more to say, so we walk a bit of a tight rope. Once again we can hope for the best.

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FRANCISCAN FRIARS PROVINCE OF SAINT BARBARA

March 25, 1987

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Dear Berard:

I received your recent note as well as the letter you wrote to Gus. Berard you really are a wonderful guy. I really appreciate what you wrote Gus and I know it comes pretty much from the heart, and I don't know if he is quite deserving of all of your attention and care, not that he personally isn't of course he is but that perhaps his behaviour is something he has to work through and that even though I tend to do the same, it probably is not necessary to feel too guilty about it as I think it is part of an immature response. On the other hand you are accurate that there is a lot of hurt and pain because you feel it yourself and that certainly is not immature but realistic, and I appreciate that you can relate to that and share that with Gus. I am sure he hears you even though he has not responded too soon.

That is interesting that you mention Leo's computer reports said there were 39 men open to; " St. Anthony Seminary", I wonder where they were when we sent out our letter. Of course the way that was worded; open to.. was a very kind of confusing category and it is pretty hard to know what that meant. I would debate with checking everything with that or nothing with that, because I didn't know whether it meant if you were told that you absolutely had to go there, you wouldn't keel over with a heart attack or it meant that you were interested. Anyway it just shows how consistent the friars tend to be.

Berard thanks for all of your concern as I know how hard it is on you. I do hope that word gets down to the guys that did vote for that proposal for the juniors. I did put it in the minutes that it was a majority so I am sure that people will suspect your loyalty.

Thanks again and looking forward to seeing you next time around if not before.

affectionately,



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March 18

Dear 

Hope things went as well as could be expected in New Mexico.

SAS is still troublesome to me. Leo's computer report with news that 39 men were "open to" going to SAS will not help the mood down there. I'll delete when I put it in WESTFRIARS because it is no longer viable but somewhere, some place, Gus will get hold of it.

I'm not going to the Ministers' Meeting. Steve is. I do not know when I'll next be in Santa Barbara - I'll check my tires!

Here's a copy of a letter I wrote Gus last month. No response but I do understand.

Peace!

Benny

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Dear [REDACTED]

Enclosed is a copy of my answer to Rick's letter about the St. Ann's situation. I know it's not my decision but his letter deserved my response.

The shortage is beginning to tell on the guys. Now if there were a way to break up the enclaves and shore up the smaller houses.

Was in Spokane last week for what turned out to be one of my best visits in years. But when did those Marycliff girls become middle age women? I was proud of how well Richard McManus' mission went.

Heard from some SAS kids the other day. If I do go down at graduation may I ride the "Popemobile" with you!

Have a good holy week and a great Easter!

Peace!



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February 4th

Dear Jeff,

Perhaps the enclosed should be sent in a plain brown envelope. I hope it doesn't ruin your day. He sent it to priests of the Seattle Archdiocese so you can understand it is an embarrassment to the friars.

Unfortunately, Milano has rotten friends in high places in the church and general Order so there really is little we can do about it except to try avoiding being as hateful as they.

On a much better side....! Went to the Maloney Family 50th wedding anniversary and sat with a John Magano who is married to Alice Maloney. John asked about you and remembers you as being the inspiration in his life when he was at USF. John is friends with John Gutz, Bill Short, etc. Gad, Alice with in the sixth grade when I first met the Maloneys!

Peace!

Gerard

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FRANCISCAN FRIARS PROVINCE OF SAINT BARBARA

February 20, 1987

Berard Connolly, OFM
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Dear Berard:

Jeff shared with me the communique from Father Milano. I did see a copy of orthodoxy magazine at the last regional, I think it was the last one. It really is bad stuff. I have discussed it with a number of people and just have no idea on how to stop him. I have not really much jurisdiction over him as he comes from another province and I am sure he would do almost nothing that I suggested, but if you have any ideas maybe we should give it a try. It surely is awful stuff. We have tried so hard to show our appreciation for Archbishop Hunthausen that it is hard to think that his might undo and then some, all that we have tried to do.

Well Berry I hope things are pretty well with you. I spent last week at the Seminary during the CMSM meeting, once again they put me up at the Casita. I felt like all the students were glaring at me especially the juniors. The first night I came up with a flat tire which Brent changed for me. There was a piece of wood jammed into the side which caused the flat as I must have run over something. I don't know maybe some student shoved a paddle up there I don't know. Anyway it was interesting. Seriously they seem to be getting along although some of the students seem angry and probably they will stay that way. I don't know what will happen to this program for the juniors as they are still checking it out.

There have been many offers for the school. The latest while I was there on the last day, a Bishop of the Orthodox Church came through asking about it's availability. They are interested in establishing a theological seminary for the Orthodox. That would be interesting. Well that too will be an interesting development.

I know Berry how ^{really} hard it was on you and people feel badly down there that you caught the brunt of things. At least know that you made a noble commitment.

I'm heading for Spokane as the people from St Ann's especially want to talk so we will see how that goes. I hope the weather is not too bad and I don't mean only outside.

Look forward to seeing you at the next meeting which won't be too long now. Thanks again for your support and especially for your help at St Anthony's.

with fraternal affection,

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future - like where to go to high school! You know I believe presence is a big thing so being with you and Robert, no matter how unwelcome, seemed the right place to be. In the afternoon I sat in the chapel while the sun played on the reredos. this time was different. I wasn't the hurting little kid of so long ago. This time it was St. Anthony's that was hurting. And SAS hurts big.

I think we all did well while we were at SAS - here I mean yourself, Richard McManus, Jeff and I. I was the junior partner but I am glad I was in the partnership. I believe we four had a vision and even if it wasn't shared by too many others, it was the right vision for the school. I think we suffered with the kids and were often hurt unfairly by the system. But, I'm glad I was a part of it.

I'm letting this letter get away. I'm again beginning to forget my role and feel like I am still a part of St. Anthony's. I am sorry I am intruding into your realm, Gus. I do respect your mourning and the mourning of the kids. I may be down you way one of these days. I will keep my distance as difficult as that will be for me.

Gus, you are not the only one distraught by all this. Forgive me for saying it but I, too, went to school at St. Anthony's. For six years I tried to get others to come to the school because I believed it was a good school for them. And I have to suffer the anguish of knowing if only I had worked harder the student body would be larger. Always I was torn between my affection for and wanting to be with the kids I brought and my job of being away at schools or at those damn meetings. You and I have talked long and you know my love for many of the kids. Out here on the Prairie I'm kept a little more sane because I know Arturo Urrutia is in Cornell and Andrew Garcia is in cooking school, Ruben is growing into a wonderful young man. I know I am able to cry with Dale and to be hugged by Randy. And these are all things I shared with you. How long will it be before you are able to share these weeks with me.

So, friend, perhaps you've read this and perhaps you haven't. Whatever. Life will go on and there will be another time when we can talk about our hopes and dreams for Victor and Mark and so many, many others who, at times, only you and I thought we understood. There has to be another time.

Finally, I once told you I believed you are far more valuable than even SAS. I believe it, Gus. You have the ability to feel, to hurt with. You are passionate. You are a friar who is able to love - this is why you hurt so much but it is also why I and so many others who love you do hurt with you. Others may, and perhaps rightly so, tell you to "get over it" but people like me can only tell you "I think I know how you feel."

Take care, Gus. And I am glad children I too love are in your care these difficult days.

Peace!

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PS If it won't make them angry, say hello for me to the kids in your office tonight.

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February 20, 1987

Dear Gus,

As you probably guessed, I have hesitated in writing you or anyone else at St. Anthony's with the exception of a kid or two, such as Victor Zambrano. I know you are going the whole spectrum of emotion these days and I just don't know how to handle it. I hear things — never have I heard more friars express their concern over one friar as guys do you. It would seem the guys are little concerned about the buildings or the 90 year history or even the kids. "How's Gus taking it?" IS what is on many minds and in many hearts.

I know you felt I let you down. I am sorry for this. I fought for SAS for six years on the definitorium, but the war was over. There were no reinforcements. You know you would last about five years, Gus. Mike not even that. Steve was already looking on another assignment. Robert has done the best job possible but he too would be a basket case. No one would fill in. Even men who spoke about it would not make any kind of a longer term commitment. It was in the cards yet I could and would not make the last play until all cards were in.

Were you a fool? No, Gus, you are not a fool. Every minute you have been at SAS has been of the greatest value. We did well and we did what we could. Men like you and Jeff, and in an earlier time, Josef, and in my time Hilary and Edilbert and before that there was Louie Schoen and I guess finally Peter himself. None of you were fools.

I feel badly, Gus, not only because of the closing of St. Anthony's but far more, because of what this closing is doing to you. You are a passionate young man and because you are passionate you hurt deeper and with far more anger than so many of us who are less so. There is nothing I can say that will change this.

I care an awful lot for you, Gus. I love you more than I do many friars. As a matter of fact, I really don't love that many. And, here's the rub, few friars have shown me the love and care you have. This is what I hurt about. I know the kids at SAS will be alright. What is not alright is our relationship.

We both know, dear friend, that it will take time. It may take years before you will accept and trust me. I will not rush it because I hurt as well. Someday...

Why did I go to St. Anthony's immediately after the meeting which closed SAS? I asked myself that question so many times since. Perhaps I went because Irishmen need to be martyred and to suffer for their acts. I wanted to see the place which was my own boyhood home, the place I loved more in adult years than as a boy. There were Victor, Darrel, Arthur Morales, Mark, etc., etc. (and yes, Tony, too) I wanted to see how they were. I wanted to be with you, Gus. Looking back, I see what a shit-head idea I had. I thought I could "help." Believe it or not, I really was not thinking I was "a power that be", "a god-damn power that be." I was unthinking enough to forget my role and to think I was still a member of your community and a "friend" of the kids. Well, I've seldom been more wrong! Since the visit I have replaced things in order, am aware of your great hurts, can accept the coldness and even rudeness of the kids — the ones I foolishly thought would understand what I had to do.

And, there were good things, too. A few of the kids shared their hopes for the

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FRANCISCAN FRIARS PROVINCE OF SAINT BARBARA

February 2, 1987

Berard Connolly, OFM
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Dear Berry:

Thank you very much for writing. I did very much appreciate hearing from you. Thank you so much for your great help at St Anthony's. I did feel badly that you got the brunt of it all and felt sorry that I had to go off leaving you with such a burden, but I really did not know what else to do.

Things went as well as could be expected. There is not too much we can do except hang in there. I did have a very nice visit with Michael who drove me down to San Luis Rey, and he seemed to be in a very positive mood as I saw him 2 or 3 times and he was always quite positive. So I hope that it's for the better as I know there are times when he has bad times with it, but at least he was very good when he was around me.

I do know that Gus is very angry. Garret was here and told me that Gus's anger seems to get even more irrational but there is not too much we can do about that except hold out a hand and hope and pray.

Otherwise the decision has been fairly well received. I got some very nice letters of support for making the decision, people realizing how difficult it was. People that in general had been very positive about St. Anthony's accept the decision as something that had to be done.

The funeral for Bonny went well. I do believe that he was a very dedicated friar who did a lot of good in his own way. Nevertheless the doctor said he was very very sick and suffering a lot and it was some relief to see him go.

Meanwhile I am still working on trying to get Tom Ganmy placed and it is really extremely difficult. It seems as though I go up one blind alley and down the other, but I think I am getting a little closer so say a prayer that we get this resolved. I do have a feeling that it is going to be somewhat on-going, continually coming up for review and probably requiring new tactics so we can only take it one step at a time.

Thanks again Berry for your wonderful encouragement and support. You don't know how much I appreciate it. Looking forward to seeing you before too long.

affectionately,



Louie

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January 24, 1987

Dear Lou,

And it was the week that was! Hope you made it through the SAS situation, Bonnie's death and funeral, the Mexican artists convention at St. Joe's and the Alkie Board. I made it back ok, saw the guys at Hoyt St., Sean and Matt at St. Clare's and then Peter at Ascension. Next morning it was skipping through freezing rain on Hwy 5 outside of Vancouver and then back to the prairie.

Two after thoughts of SAS.... visited with your friend Andrew Garcia. Andrew felt sad about the school, credits it with taking him from a bad school situation and "making him the man he is." Still, he believes we had no choice.

When I get home there is a letter waiting on my desk from a teeney-bopper in Santa Barbara who "fell for his sweet talk", referring to a SAS student. The poor kid is a pretty nice Chicana who sort of likes me. (Don't they all!) Her letter made me recall what I consider one of the bigger lacks in SAS education. Don't know how many times I asked the faculty to seriously talk about sexual morality but Steve could speak only in profundity, Gus with emotion, Mike was afraid and unless they did it in 16th century England Robert was at a loss. I'd get dirty! On this point I often worried about the kids - the good old boy locker room sex-ed. Well, now it's up to their parents.

While in Santa Barbara I went to see the Mother Abbess at the Poor Clares. Explained the situation to her - before she heard many differing opinions. A good woman who saw the need. Also, thanked Paul Smith informally for the Board.

Another letter on my desk was from friend Jerry doing time for bank hold-up, in Minnesota. A fellow federal prisoner is a Father Paul Kaut, in for trying to destroy a missile site. Know of him?

Hope Joe isn't freezing.

Peace!

Gerry

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September 9

Jeff -

Don't know this to be a Provincial appointment or not but Steve
and I divided up the jobs and I'm FMU Procurator and Syndic.
A success story for one who flunked Algebra I!

Will you please pass on the enclosed FMU and Health Insurance
cheques. Salary is on its way!

Peace!



PS - I'm anxious to push FMU anyway I can.

Lowie FYI

ST. GEORGE, Seattle
March 6-7-1988

Thank you, Jack,

You have such good liturgy at St. George's. It is always so good to pray with you. You are a very, very good parish.

Two years ago I was involved with the decision to close a high school. Today there are one hundred and eleven Californians not speaking to me! I hope you will invite me to your Spaghetti Dinner next month.

My sisters and brothers,

A long time ago, when I was a freshman in high school, I walked past a camouflaged Boeing plant, up over an even then shaky wooden bridge and looked up at the little steeple of St. George's Church. I remember an imitation stained glass window in the vestibule. I think it was an ugly green color.

I have returned and this morning (evening) I stand in this pulpit, the last Franciscan to do so in St. George's Franciscan Parish. I do so with heavy heart but with the Christian confidence given us by the great Franciscans who shepherded St. George's over the years -- Gregory, Clement, Cornelius -- their names read like Eucharistic Prayer Number One -- Roy, Howard, Gratian, Fredrick, Oswald, Terence, Clifford, Maurus, and John Altman, Louie, Michael and David, the last of the Franciscan pastors of South Hill.

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ST. GEORGE, Seattle
March 6-7-1988

We friars minor move on, as we have done for nine hundred years. I pray we have touched your lives for good, we welcomed your children into the church, we married you and your sons and daughters, we buried your parents and relatives and friends. We prayed for your living and we prayed for your dead. In short, we shared in your lives. And, because we shared deeply with you over the years, perhaps, we have hurt or wounded you. For this we are sorry but this too is the nature of sharing.

You are the Church of Seattle, a prophetic church. You will do well. And I take a little pride in knowing the friars gave you your start. We will always look to St. George's with love and gratitude. And, like a parent, we will be watching as you continue to grow.

Having diocesan priests with you you will be even closer to the Archdiocese and perhaps a more integral part of diocesan growth. The Archdiocese wants you, the Archdiocese needs you.

The Franciscans hope to return to Seattle but doing ministry other than parochial. Our strengths today often go beyond the parish. Our presence in the parish will remain in the Franciscan Sisters and in the brothers and sisters of the Secular Franciscan Order.

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ST. GEORGE, Seattle
March 6-7-1988

You are a good parish. I so well remember Father John Altman, that loving giant of a man, telling us about you. In particular John was proud of an Easter Candle you made from bits of colored wax of all sizes and shapes. He thought it so typified this parish with its multiplicity of cultures, races, and economic factors - this parish consuming itself to be light for one another.

So dearest friends, in the name of the friars, I say goodbye. But before leaving I charge you with this charge - be peacemakers, be lovers of the poor, defend all, work for equality of women and men - even in the church. (It is so good seeing girls and women involved in your liturgy.) And please, always remember we Franciscans as loving you.

In the name of the Franciscan friars and Loren Kerkof, a Franciscan son of this parish, with the love John Altman had for you and with the love David Johnson has for you, and in my own name I pray

May the Lord bless you and keep you

May he show Himself to you and have mercy on you

May he turn to you and give you peace

May almighty God bless each of us --

The Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

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ST. GEORGE, Seattle
March 6-7-1988

St. Francis of Assisi tells us: "Up to now we have done
little, LET US BEGIN ANEW!"

Peace!

remark at end of Mass: "We Franciscans like having the last
word. Thank you for painting your church Franciscan brown."

March 17, 1988

Berard Connolly, OFM
St. Francis Friary
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Dear Berard:

I hope you are doing well. Thank you very much for going to St. George's. I really appreciate you taking the heat. I was rather reluctant to do so. As it turned out, I am glad I did not go early as I did have the great benefit of being able to be there just as Larry Tozzio died, and to be of some comfort for his mother and his close friends. As you probably heard the funeral was a really great celebration. A lot of friars there and I think a lot of healing. It is something tough to go through, and I am glad I could be of some help. As you are probably aware, I did come back early from my meeting in order to be there for the funeral. So I was kind of able to cover it from both ends.

Meanwhile, you did go to St. George's and you did a great job. I thought your talk was very very nice, and I do hope that you are publishing it in Westfriars. If I had just received it from some other source, I would immediately send it to you, but I presume you still have a copy. So I am sure it would be nice to share that with the other friars.

I hope that healing can come to St. George's, as I am sure it is going to take some time.

Thank you again for your sensitivity, and for the great franciscan spirit you show in your letter and in your willingness to go there. Even in the tears that you shed. I really believe that is a major contribution you make to the province Berard. And we are all very enriched, especially over these last nine years.

We rush now into the closing days. Let's hope that we can leave behind a province that is rather healthy. Thanks again Berry.

affectionately,

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Dear [REDACTED]

Many thanks for a good week. And the Chapter was a very good week. Besides the obvious, there was a feeling of re-birthing in the Province. Perhaps labor-pain will temper this but there is a lot of hope.

I was touched by your talks. It may sound strange coming from me but I agree in an emphasis on scholarship within the Province.

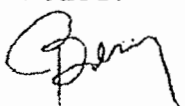
The purpose of this letter - besides buttering up the Provincial Minister

Today I received a poem from Theophane Robertson praising Frederic Jansoone who will be glorified along with the Father of the California Province, ie. the Bay Area.

Theo's note reminded me of his great devotion to "Good Father Frederic." This devotion goes back many years. Perhaps there might be some recognition of Theo's devotion in all the hoopala around Serra. If there is some general trip to Rome perhaps Theo could be asked along with all the devotees of the "Grey Ox."

Take care of yourself. Like not being trampled by FST students rushing over to the GTU Library to get their library cards.

Peace!



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FRANCISCAN FRIARS PROVINCE OF SAINT BARBARA

June 27, 1988

Berard Connolly, OFM
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Dear Berry:

Thanks very much for your letter. I appreciate very much your support and good wishes. As I mentioned to you at the chapter, one of the gaps in the present provincial council, will be your own presence. Over the last nine years, I have really enjoyed working with you. Learned a great deal from you, and treasure your friendship. I hope we can continue our relationship in many different ways.

This is just a short note, but I want to thank you for the reference to Theophane Robertson, and let you know that I will be following it up. I remember now, his devotion to Frederic Jansoone, and I am grateful for your reference.

It's interesting sitting here in the office, and having to deal with all sorts of things. I am not sure that the place is as organized as it could be, and that will probably be the first order of business. I think if it were a little more organized, the provincial or myself, might find more time to do some visiting and positive things for the friars. At any rate, things are going well. I am looking forward to seeing you soon. Take care of yourself.

Fraternally,





SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER MISSION
Franciscan Friars
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August 30, 1988

Dear brothers,

One hundred fifty years ago, Secularized but three years, Mission Santa Barbara was pillaged, Los Angeles a small and smokey pueblo, the Gold Rush wasn't yet a San Francisco treat, and Oakland grew a few nuts. The friars minor were several rag-tag groups not speaking to one another. There wasn't yet a War Between the States nor a Kulturkampf; but one thing for sure, it was raining in the Northwest Territory, on Cowlitz Prairie.

Simon Plomondon, a Hudson Bay Company trapper on the Prairie, felt the need for a wife, but without a priest - Simon being a very good Canadian - there could be no marriage sacrament. He portaged the 2000 miles to Quebec to see the archbishop who promised to send missionaries. On December 16, 1838, Father Francois Norbert Blanchet arrived at Cowlitz Prairie.

Simon was a very special man, a sort of northwest Daniel Boone; a Hudson Bay scout, trapper, explorer and Indian agent. He out lived at least three wives, one of them an Indian princess and another the niece of Archbishop Blanchet. Simon lived to be 100 years of age and is buried in the St. Francis Xavier Mission Cemetery. Many of his descendants are parishioners.

Father Modeste Demers built the first permanent church in 1839. It may be noted that St. Francis Xavier Mission was not founded by Jesuits not has it ever been a Jesuit institution. The "Blackrobes" here were French Canadian diocesan priests.

Early history of the Cowlitz mission reads like missionary adventures we all probably dreamed about. Missionaries gone for months at a time, traveling in Indian canoes from the Columbia River to the Straits of Juan de Fuca, Indian wars and broken treaties, British Imperialism versus American adventurism.

Priests came and went, one group of nuns headed for California when gold was discovered. (To become dancing girls?) Sisters of Providence founded an orphanage and school. Three times the church burned to the ground, once killing the pastor of only one day. (Old ones in the parish tell stories of the poor man fallen in the snow dying of burns while flames licking at the bell rope sounded the alarm which brought parishioners.)

Italian Theatine Fathers staffed the mission only one winter. In 1908 the friars of the Sacred Heart Province came to the Prairie. Truly the friars came like a whirl-wind. They built and restored churches from Woodland to Morton. The names are a litany marking glory years of our birth as a Province: Kalama, Cougar, Kelso, Longview, Cathlamet, Skamokawa, Ostrander, Castle Rock, Toutle, Ryderwood, Vader, Napavine, Winlock, Mary's Corner, Ethel, Onalaska, St. Urban, Salkum, Cinebar, Mossey Rock, Harmony, Morton and Toledo. And great men of our Province matched the mission. In the 80 years the friars have been on the Prairie, over 94 friars have been stationed at St. Francis Xavier Mission, ten of whom had two or more assignments at this Mother Church of the Prairie.

On September 25, 1988, we celebrate our 150th birthday. We praise God and I suppose we wonder and reflect - We have a mission unique in that it was founded by a layman looking for a priest to bless his love of a Klicitat maiden, not imposed. What kind of men were those missionaries on horseback, in canoes, on foot, winter and summer, facing voyageur, trapper and governor? Did those Gold Rush Sisters really become California dancing girls? How the Theatines felt they had left all civilization as pasta went limp in the wetness of the Prairie. How did the people rebuild the church three times, but why didn't they build it closer to the town of Toledo? Did Aegidius Herkenrath's horse "Max" ever draw up lame? Why did the Province give up Kelso/Longview (pop. 42,000) and keep Toledo (pop 570)?

Steve, Roger and Berard hope you'll think of us and our people on the Prairie on September 25. We'd like you to join us. The choir is humming up a grand Mass and the Archbishop will be here. There will be square dancing, story telling, baseball games, "find a coin in the bale of hay," horseshoes, and perhaps improvised chip tossing. We'll bury a time capsule with an authentic history, names of parishioners, a few coins, a list of friars, letters from famous folks like [redacted] and Grover Laseke, Mayor of Toledo. Ladies of the Cowlitz Grange are providing a dinner which will set you ready for threshing or cow milking or to driving your 4x4 up to the county seat in Chehalis. -bc



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Westfriars

Newsletter
Franciscan Province of St. Barbara

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Dear [REDACTED]

My sincere thanks for your recent Provincial Letter on Junipero Serra. Thanks, too, for including Toledo in the first paragraph!

Your letter is inspiration touched with poignancy. Perhaps you have surpassed David Temple! The presentation is professional, a sometimes missed quality among we minors.

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for* I would appreciate having three copies to send to select members of your fan club.

Hope all went well in Europe and you were edified by your fellow Ministers.

Peace!

Berry

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Dear [REDACTED]

No, I usually don't write this often to the Provincial Minister.

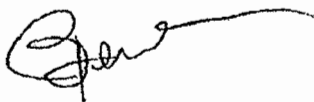
We sent a packet of info to the archives but you being an historian may be interested in the enclosed brief history of Cowlitz. It was written by a parishioner who actually did quite a bit of leg work, So much of our history was destroyed in the several fires.

The celebration went well in spite of bad weather. Our folks are a hearty lot.

The "time capsule" was my idea. Many parishioners took advantage of the "Book of Life" and wrote items (often very touching) for a future generation. The enclosed is my contribution. It's to be thrown away, please.

God rest Frank Longo. I'm afraid if I were in California I'd spend half my life going to funerals - so many folks from my past are slipping away. I'll get some material for the next WESTFRIARS.

Peace!



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Westfriars

Newsletter
Franciscan Province of St. Barbara

John - Bruce Connelly
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Dear 

Here's the letter both you and Mike said I should send off to the definitorium. I'm actually asking for whatever forms you folks use these days.

Another suggestion: I send Bro. Gerard Valentine a tape I make of WESTFRIARS each edition. Last week I had a note from Jerry saying my tape is the only way he knows of what's happening in the Province as he cannot see any more. I bet he'd appreciate it if someone at the office sent him tapes of Provincial communications. (I'll do it but there's the delay.) ((Wait till you hear my rendering of your FST speech in the December WESTFRIARS!))

re: my letter. I think Miguel would like to go.

Peace!



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November 20, 1988

Dear Joe, Ray and Sacred Dicasters,

Forty-three years ago this afternoon I was worried how I would ask the community to allow me to be invested in the habit of a Tertiary Brother in the morning. And here I am writing you and still asking for something.

I am once more asking for permission to take a "sabbatical" and hopefully this coming year.

As some of you know, I was scheduled to go to Mexico a number of years ago and instead ended up on 38th Avenue with the novices and Brian Flynn. A great and grand experience it was but it wasn't Mexico. Last year I again had hopes of going to Mexico but once more plans were changed.

It has been suggested I go on the Assisi Experience. May I apply for this?

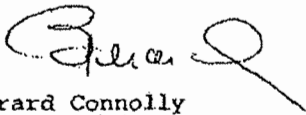
I still feel called to Mexico. May I inquire into this again?

I realize this is just the first salvo and with your generosity I may get something going this time.

Also, What are the chances the FMU could fund my classmate Miguel Lozano going on the same trip. I have not mentioned this to him so I do not know if he would want to.

Thank you.

Peace!



Berard Connolly

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FRANCISCAN FRIARS PROVINCE OF SAINT BARBARA

FILE COPY

Berard Connolly, OFM
St. Francis Xavier Church
139 Spencer Rd.
Toledo, Wa. 98591

December 5, 1988

Dear Berard:

Peace and all good!

Thank you very much for your letter of November 20th. which I referred to the definitorium.

I'm really happy to report that the definitorium has approved your Assisi experience request. We suggest that you forward the appropriate request to the continuing education committee which usually has charge of the Assisi experience. Also, please fill out a travel form which I enclose in this letter.

The definitorium is also very supportive of your sabbatical, and again would like to encourage you to pursue this. Please fill out the sabbatical request form and send it to the continuing education committee. This basically is for the purposes of detailing your sabbatical program. You may take it that you have permission to go on sabbatical, so I wish you luck.

Berard, I really think this is the best thing to do for you. I felt very good after our long conversation in Oregon, and I know that you have been looking forward to a sabbatical trip, possibly to Mexico or elsewhere for quite some time. I really appreciate the fact that you have been open to staying on there at Toledo and Winlock, both to help Steve and to be a Franciscan presence in the area. This has been extremely beneficial both to the Province, and to Steve. He told me so himself. As to the timing of your request, at this moment I really don't know quite what to say. Of course, the Assisi experience would begin sometime in the summer - would you want to take a sabbatical before then, or start your sabbatical with the Assisi experience? That also would be possible. May I suggest on the side that when you do take your Assisi experience, you would be, I hope, looking at a couple (a week or ten days) in the island of your choice.


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I will be talking to Steve in the next few days about the plans for Toledo and Winlock, and for Roger. I know that both of you felt that it was a very pressing issue to attend to, and I feel that very much. Physically, it's impossible for me to get up to Toledo before Christmas, however, I will be coming up to the northwest in the first part of January (2nd. to 11th.), so I would hope to settle all of the matter at that time. I know this puts an added strain on you and Steve. I guess I'm asking you to be patient with my own inability to deal immediately with the situation. We did discuss it at some length at the Provincial Council meeting, and so I feel that I have some light as to where to go. I have asked Finian to talk to Donan about coming to Toledo/Winlock to live with Steve - that is the suggestion that Steve made, so I presume that he is open to it. Donan has apparently improved a good deal in Fresno, and so he might be a good addition there. I don't think we see it as a permanent placement. Perhaps over the next year with Donan there we can be working on some other alternatives. At any rate, that's a possibility which I can talk over with you and Steve when I see you, and also pursue perhaps the placement of other people there.

I don't know what to say about your request with respect to Miguel Lozano. I doubt seriously if the FMU could fund his trip, as I don't think that would fall within its norms. If he would like to go, he should certainly submit a request not be bashful about it.

Thanks for your support for me Berard, peace and all good, especially during this Advent season. I hope that the good Lord comes and blesses you in superabundant ways, as you come and bless so many of us.

Faternally,



file Bernard Conley

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[REDACTED]
Here's the original.

Nice article in Catholic Digest. You and Frank in the same liberal magazine! Never knew you collected holy cards. I would send you mine but mine have gold stars on them.

On a more serious point: thanks for telling me about Miguel's work. For years it has bothered me that visitations and visits concentrate on Marty's work and so little said about Miguel. I remember asking Neal to make a special point of seeing the Hogar. I appreciate it, [REDACTED]

As I read somewhere, may the God of all lights ask the right questions and bless you and the province.

Peace!

Benny

FRANCISCAN FRIARS PROVINCE OF SAINT BARBARA

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Berard Connolly, OFM
St. Francis Xavier Friary
139 Spencer Rd.
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December 22, 1988

Dear Berard:

Peace and all good!

Thanks very much for your note, and also for the latest edition of Westfriars, and for the long, long, section in there by the hotwinded President of the Board of Trustees of the Franciscan School of Theology! Once again, I think Westfriars does a great job for the friars of the Province. The cover, and the picture with the words "And the Word becomes flesh" really captures the meaning of Christmas every day of our lives. I was especially struck because it reminded me of my trip to Guaymas, and also to the Native Americans. I feel so sorry for the people who are so poor down there, and also for the way in which the Native Americans have been treated by the US Government. This is a real shame.

I look forward to seeing you in the new year, Berard, and am particularly appreciative of all the support that you have given to me, both as your brother and as your minister. May the Lord of all blessings come to you and guide you in your journey.

Faternally,



file - Bruce Cuddy

St. Francis Xavier Mission
139 Spencer Rd
Toledo, WA 98591

Dear [REDACTED]

It was good having you on the Prairie even if for only a short while.

Dorothy, the elderly lady who came late to Mass, asked this morning who you were. "Was that young fellow a student for the priesthood?" But then, Dorothy's eyes are faltering.

I am excited about the possibility of finally getting to the desert. Wish I could have gone when I was younger but perhaps now I'm better! Are the Tohono O' Odham ready for my pious exhortations? Is Mike Dallmeier? Now I have reason to take better care of health.

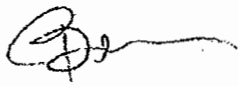
I like the idea of spending time in the gift shop. I feel we have lost so very much in not having friars in front of the Old Missions.

Roger seems to be quite content about San Miguel. Tonight at table he was asking questions about the SM parish and I think he is looking forward to the move. Clifford wrote him a very nice welcoming letter. As he is going through his "collections" here on the Prairie he does pause to laugh a little at himself for items he's been saving thirty years. So far he has told none of the parishioners. We'll see how it goes Saturday night when they read the bulletin.

Steve leaves for retreat next Monday. Hope it's a good one for him.

Please don't forget Paschal's picture for W/F.

Peace!



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February 8, 1989

Dear Berard:

Peace and all good!

I hope that this letter finds you well.

I would just like to mention to you the discussion which took place at our definitorium meeting. The fellows were very excited about the possibility of you taking a sabbatical as from June to September, and then going to Mission San Xavier. I think that opens up great new vistas for yourself and for the community there in the Southwest. I know that they look forward to having you. The board was unanimously in favor of movement in this direction. We don't have to make it final yet, but I would just like to tip you off to the fact that it seems to be going very smoothly in that direction. I might mention for myself also and for [REDACTED] that there's a strong possibility that the Novitiate will be at Topawa for at least two months of the year. I know that I would like to see the novices exposed to your "personal" history of the Province, and I know that [REDACTED] would appreciate being able to utilize your expertise for the good of the friars in the novitiate.

I trust that you will be in communication with Mike Dallmeier over the next couple of months and please write to me, Berard, when you would like me to finalize this move. Of course, the sabbatical time from June to September does include a good trip to Assisi. That is understood.

We had a very nice meeting in the Southwest. Right now, I am stuck in a hotel in Dallas, caught in a very bad blizzard - so I'm looking out the window at 10 degree weather, and hoping that I can get to the airport tomorrow morning to fly back to Oakland. I came down here for a Bishop's committee meeting on priestly life and ministry which proved to be very interesting. You would have laughed at me last night had you peeked in on my conversation and seen me having dinner with Bishop Donald Wuerl and Bishop John Marshall, two of the most conservative Bishops in the country. Needless to say, I was my usual humble and demure self.

Thanks very much for your support, Barry. I look forward to seeing you in the future.

Faternally,

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FRANCISCAN FRIARS PROVINCE OF SAINT BARBARA

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March 13, 1989

Dear Berry:

Peace and all good!

I hope that you have a very joyous Easter.

Thanks very much for your letter which came to me under the heading of Westfriars. Well, I certainly would be glad to give you the History and Direction of Authority in our Province as a paper to print, if I ever get it written. I'm going away for a short time to try to do that.

I'm glad you're getting along well with Donan, and that he arrived there in a good space. I just thought I'd drop you a note to wish you a very happy Easter, and let you know I was thinking of you. I appreciate all the work that you've done, especially lately your response to my request to have some of the friars write about the friars who had died. I think that's really important. I hope you can keep it up.

You think you're on oatmeal! I've been on oatmeal and bran for the last four months, went to the doctor, and my cholesterol went up! He threatened to put me on medicine. I refused, so I'm back on oatmeal and bran and salad for the next four months. I don't know what to do about this. My sister claims that it's genetic, and I believe she's right. Such is life. I think I have entered into middle age. Next week, I'll be forty four. Incidentally, thanks for putting the ad in about [REDACTED] I haven't heard any comments yet. Give my best to Steve and to Donan.

Fraternally,

[REDACTED]

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February 27, 1989

Dear [REDACTED]

Steve just showed me the schedule for the Ministers' Meeting at San Damiano March 13-15.

Even before hearing it, WESTFRIARS would like to print the History and Direction of Authority in our Province, if you would consider it. Our deadline is March 17 but we would certainly push that back for the convenience of the Publisher.

Life goes well on the Prairie. Donan was by Saturday with his stuff and should be here next Monday or Tuesday. I think he will do quite well. He will get along well with the parishioners.

I enjoyed the SFO meeting. Yesterday, Sunday, I went up to Tacoma for that fraternity's meeting. It went very well. I spoke about the friars' revitalized interest in the SFO. The theme of the meeting was right up [REDACTED] alley- the Farm Worker/insecticide protest. In fact, the featured speaker had been a friar with the Holy Name Province and had at one time asked [REDACTED] about joining Our Mother in the West. He's now married, lives in Puyallup (knows Larry Gosselin), is a pediatrician and active in P & J.

After the SFO I had a good day in the Bay Area. Took my sister out for dinner and also had dinner at her place. Good visit with Richard Mc and also with Definitor Doherty. Mel showed me the inner sanctum at 1500 34th Ave. I'm impressed!

Yesterday I finally began to do something on a paper I've been wanting to do for years: something about Brothers I've lived with or known over the years. Francis Guest once suggested I do so. Don't worry, God knows when I'll ever finish it. Just going through old catalogue pages Joe Schwab sent me brought back so many images- good and bad, sane and insane.

Don't know about that oatmeal. After eating it everyday for two weeks I'm not sure about my cholesterol but I have as much gas as Roger!

Peace!

Benny

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April 6, 1989

Dear Berard:

Peace and all good!

I hope that you had a very joyful Easter. I look forward to seeing you when I come up to the Northwest regional.

Thanks very much for sending me the article about Milan Mikulich. You know how committed I am to the furtherence of his apostolate, and to his openness in terms of developing his theological understanding of the Church. At any rate, I have dutifully filed the comments in the appropriate space in the Provincial Office, and I thank you for passing them on to me.

I just saw Steve and asked him to give you my best. Sister Monica, who is in California at the moment along with her companion Sr. Ann sends her best. She certainly is very grateful that you took time out to send the regular copy of Westfriars to her. I appreciate that. Please remember me in your prayers, Berard. We have a lot of things on the provincial agenda at the moment. The meeting starts today, and there have been a few crises developments in the past couple of weeks. Sometimes I wonder if the job is worth it all, and then other days it seems to go along very well. I guess that's the nature of the beast. Certainly by this time I obviously have a lot

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more sympathy for many of the difficulties that Louie had to deal with. It's rather hard to communicate the experience to people, but I know that, having been so close to it for so long you can understand a good deal of it.

I do look forward to seeing you and thank you for your support and friendship. Be assured of mine.

Fraternally,



for Berard C.

Franciscans

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June 13, 1989

Dear friends,

"The friars are to wander about the world, as pilgrims and strangers, proclaiming to all the gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ...." - rule of St. Francis

This short letter is to say goodbye and to say thank you. My four years on the Prairie with you have been good, the past months have been beautiful. I will always remember this place. Together, we shared a jubilee, an ordination, a church painting, a hard winter, a Confirmation, a "first annual spaghetti dinner." We buried some friends, saw others "grow in wisdom and grace."

Last February my Provincial Minister asked if I would consider moving to Mission San Xavier del Bac near Tucson, Arizona. Father Donan could replace me on the Prairie. For many years I have wanted to work with Native American people and this was the opportunity. I will be working in ministry and sharing the Holy Gospel with folks on the O'odham Reservation. Please pray for us.

June 22, I will leave for a two month Sabatical in Mexico, living with a poor family while attending language school. I will return to the Prairie in August for a day or so and then leave for Tucson. I am sure we will have plenty of opportunity for private goodbyes.

I am grateful you and I were together during Father Steve's pastorate. These parishes of Sacred Heart and St. Francis Xavier are becoming so alive with Steve's ministry. Lay leadership is our future and now slowly but soon quickly, you carry out the full grace of your baptism. Your holding the Gospel, with the sacramental ministry of Steve, Donan and Deacon Clay, can make this Prairie truly blessed.

I leave you with the simple words of a song we used to sing during youth retreats in Utah:

"All I ask of you,
is forever to remember me,
as loving you."

Peace!

Berard

Brother Berard Connolly

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June 1, 1989

Dear Berard:

Peace and all good!

I hope that you had a great trip to Ireland. I know that I was very happy that you chose to go there, especially on your own time.

Enclosed, please find an article from the Oceanside Gazette or whatever on the homeless project at San Luis Rey. I thought it was something that might be good for the fellows to know about through Westfriars. Thanks very much for your attention to this.

Fraternally,



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Mel,

Just in case I miss you over the weekend.....

Until August 21, 1989

Berard Connolly

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John Bernard

St. Kilian's Abbey, Mr. Mallanay
Thursday 6/1

Dear [redacted]

And here I am with the monks! Spent the night in their guest house - with about 25 other guests. Magnificent monastery church - and to hear the Salve Regina sung with an Irish lilt!

The trip goes very well. Besides several B+B's I have spent a number of days at the friars in Ennis & Kilmurphy.

The friars here are a different breed - you feel the Reform still lives. They are kind & generous but quiet - seem to spend their time in prayer, study & serving the hundreds of people coming to their churches every day. Scarcely find them sitting around drinking coffee all morning, nor watching TV all night. I am impressed.

Our province is held in good respect - mostly Louis' prominence plus Alan. And I've heard good things about FST.

Several have questions about Neil and his constant "holiness" in Rome. Even he has caused very much ill feeling, especially at St. David's with his drinking. "The man swears more freely than Sammy Davis Jr!"

This trip to Ireland has been good for me already. Being here has done very much for my spirit. I find myself singing in the car as I drive along on the long & on those terrible dirt roads. I talk to strangers & to anyone who will listen - and in Ireland people are always willing to listen - and to talk.

I have an appointment to see one of the monks whom I trust will do my soul well.

I am counting on the waters at Knock to bring
some help to my body & perhaps Lough Derg will
come for my here-after.

Yes, I hope you will be able to spend time
in Ireland after the Provincial meeting. You can
always change it to studies since American Catholic
history has its roots in Ireland. I think if you
just pass in a few library.

Read an excellent article in Cistercian Studies (XXIV 1985:1)
by Jerome Thiesen, Abbot of Collegeville, MN, on
"The Monastery as a Covenant Community". Much
is the same view as your approach to
"exchange" in the religious life.

Hope all is well in Barbara's Province.

Peace!

Berney

Brenda Landley

Dear [REDACTED]

And here I am back on The Prairie. México was just great and I enjoyed and benefited from Universal. I'd recommend it to anyone. I'm by no means proficient in Spanish but I have more confidence. The classes on Mexican culture were also very fine.

Unfortunately, I thought it best to return home two weeks early. My estómago was in complete revolucion - on two fronts. I was very careful but this year the rains came earlier and the raw sewerage is just part of most vegetables. Even the Mexicans are sick - including teachers at school. I did the usual things - all night! - but when my kidneys got a little bloody I said - Viejo, go home!

I am presuming your permission to use what tuition and board I did not use, hopefully for a tutor in Tucson or a week or so with folks in Guaymas. I've earmarked the money for that.

The doctor here is trying to stop the cramps. Today he sent me to the hospital for nasty tests!

I made some good friends in México. Had a great Japanese room mate who spoke no English. Is part of the Japanese "peace corps" going to Bolivia. I really like him - but then, I have that yen for Orientals! Had another good friend in Tracy - an Episcopal priest who happens to be a woman. She strengthens my hopes for non-misogynist Church.

Cuernavaca is a dirty and crowded city - was probably beautiful thirty years ago! I enjoyed riding the broken down buses and sitting in the Zocalo. I'd try my Spanish on just about anyone. Some looked confused by it but others gallantly engaged in a conversation with me. Visited the friars in Cuernavaca. They were most cordial and welcoming and they are a hard working group of men - a flourishing parish with enough meetings to make the best USA pastor content. If I had known they had such a beautiful friary I might have tried to stay with them. -- But then I wouldn't have drank Coronas with Tracy while talking "church" or gone for walks with Marta.

Spent two days in Mexico City. Really worthwhile. (A Mexican doctor had given me a "concrete pill" which worked for three days!) Visited the Cathedral several times (I could see it from my hotel window, right off the Zocalo.) Listened to the canons chanting lauds, accompanied by a little boys choir wearing red dresses and white knee socks! Rivera's murals are fascinating and a trip to the fine arts buildings was a reminder of what Latin Americans think of us politically. The friars' church is beautiful and the church of San Felipe de Jesus a point of prayer for whatever lies ahead for us and Mexican vocations.

Sunday morning I rode the Metro out to the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe. Awesome! So different from Knock. Where Knock is "heavenly," Guadalupe is flesh and blood - thousands of warm bodies, cooking tortillas and vendors, lovers, families, old men crawling. I was overwhelmed at the sight of Juan Diego's La Morena. I am very Catholic no matter what I say; devotion to Mary is still within my heart. Crowded my way up the hill, poured water over my knees and

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head, envied the young lovers everywhere present, prayed as I believe a Mexican would pray - and promised to come back.

I had planned on going over to Spokane, through Provo and on to Tucson. But then the best of plans can change - and do. When I was away Donan drove the car from Longview to Toledo with the red indicator light on. He fried the engine. A local mechanic and parishioner is trying to fix it with some salvage parts. I believe those warning lights are called "idiot lights!" In any event I will be in Tucson before the first of September.

Thinking of you folks on retreat at Santa Barbara. I pray it is a good one - almost as fine as our first retreat in the Santa Cruz mountains. Also hope the simple professed time at SAS is worthwhile.

Our paths should cross once in awhile. I still may bury myself and become a character on the desert. Then I hope Josef will use me once in awhile to give pious talks on the missions for the FMU.

As we say, Joe - !Paz!

Benny

PS If I don't see you before Ireland, be sure to visit the West Coast - Livinus at the friary in Killarney, the Irish speaking Dingle peninsular, the Poor Clares at Ennis - a young and delightful group, and take a few days rest at Rosstownlough on the Bay of Donegal!

FRANCISCAN FRIARS PROVINCE OF SAINT BARBARA

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August 20, 1989

Dear Berard:

Peace and all good!

Welcome back from Mexico. I'm sorry that you had a difficult time there with your stomach and your health, and I trust that all of that has cleared up now. I'll be anxious to see you to hear your first-hand report. Certainly the letter which you wrote to me indicates that you had a lot of experiences and have met many fine and interesting people, but for me to get the full flavor I want to hear it from you: stories as only you can tell!

You know always that you have my concern and support. You've been so very kind to me over the years and I just want you to know that the feeling is very much reciprocated.

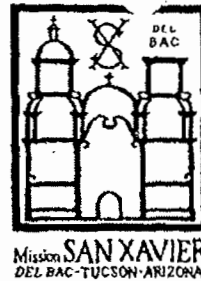
Things are going fairly well right now. I'm at the pastor's meeting in Danville, and they seem to be actively discussing many of the concerns which face the Province: ministerial placement, overextension, quality of preaching and Franciscan life, the future of parishes in the Province. All of this is really important. It is certainly music to my ears to hear the pastors themselves directly addressing the issues. I talked to Jim Goode who is busy trying to reconcile Stalings with Archbishop Hickey in Washington DC, and trying to negotiate between the Black Bishops and some of the clergy. Poor Jim has his hands full. I talked to Louie in Denver, and he seems to be doing fine. Of course, you know me-I gave him something to do.

I'll be going to Ireland in October. I'm sure we'll be in contact before then. I appreciate your suggestions. Just to go to the "old sod" will refresh my spirits.

This is just a short note, Berard, to say hi and thanks for your letter. I hope you get rid of those cramps fairly soon. I imagine it's pretty uncomfortable. I know that you will be a great addition down at San Xavier. If there is anything I can do, don't hesitate to ask.

Faternally,





Dear [REDACTED]

While I obviously do not share your enthusiasm for the general order, please know I wish you all good at the upcoming meeting in Ireland.

Have a great visit - it will be raining so spend moments looking out to the sea... admire the polished brass door knobs and name plates... light an electric "candle" to St. Anthony... be sure to visit the Poor Ladies in Ennis... check out the libraries... have a wee drink with Levinus... touch the stones knowing these friaries housed saints and martyrs and not a few villains.

Should you run into men from Ennis, Killarney, Galway and especially Rossnolaugh, my best to them.

Peace!

Benny

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October 10, 1989

Dear Berard:

Peace and all good!

Thanks very much for your short note and for the feastday greetings. I just want you to know that I will be thinking of you as I go to the Emerald Isle, looking out at the beautiful green island and its sea, thinking how wonderful it would be to live a quiet, secluded life in the monasteries of Ireland, wandering the countryside, chatting with the people, being entertained by their hospitality and enjoying their good humor. At least, that has always been my experience of the Irish. I just want you to know how much I'm looking forward to it. I will certainly do my best to do you justice.

Thanks always for your support, Berry. You did a fine job on Westfriars, and I look forward very much to the future additions. This is a great contribution to the Province. This letter is a little rushed, but I just wanted to get it off to let you know that I was and will be thinking of you. Thanks especially for all your concern for my mother which I appreciate very much.

Faternally,



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February 6, 1990

Dear Berard:

Peace and all good!

I hope this letter finds you well. I look forward to seeing you sometime in March.

This is just a short note to say that I'm enclosing my paper on the history and direction of authority in the Province. I hope that you will find it useful for the pages of WestFriars. Also, I want to thank you very much for sending me the note about the FMU and the request of Mike Guinan. I appreciate very much the way you're taking the FMU into your concern and moving it forward. This is a great help to the Province.

I look forward to seeing you at the next SFO Minister's meeting. Lupe has been sick the last couple of days with a migraine headache, so you might remember her in your prayers. I think she's doing very much better now. This happens periodically. Mel and the rest of us in the office seem to be getting along fairly well. We went to a health club the other day and I went swimming, and the chlorine was so bad that I lost my eyesight for four hours - couldn't believe it! We don't need a blind Provincial wandering around. Of course, some may consider the Provincial already blind, but those are the breaks!

Thanks for your support and prayers, Berard.

Faternally,



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February 20, 1990

Dear Berard:

Peace and all good!

I just want to thank you very much for the letter which you sent to me about our pulling out of Sacaton. As I mentioned to you at the meeting yesterday, I could not agree more. It's a real heart-rending thing for me, not so much because I don't see that we probably have to do this, but because I do not understand why we keep leaving people like this and serving so many other types. It doesn't make all that much sense to me, but the friars will be moved, and only so quickly, and only in a certain direction, and I think that's the way it is. Perhaps we will see what we are doing in this situation, and that will make us that much more sensitive about pulling out of these poor places in the future. This, at least, would be my hope.

I'm going to pass on your eloquent letter to the definitorium, because I think it is very fine. Thanks for taking the time. Be good to yourself! I look forward to seeing you in the Southwest.

Faternally,



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March 2, 1990

Dear Jubilarian,

Remember that morning! Peter Wallischeck reading the document ("M' goodness alive!"), Hugolinus Storff, smiling from ear to ear, under his beard, of course and those laughing Definitors: Seraphin, Theodore, Maximilian, Casimir and Turibus.... January 19, 1916 -- what a morning!

Ooops!...Sorry! It's just that because you and the Province are celebrating Jubilees together..... I forgot!

First, dear friend, I want to congratulate you on your jubilee be it Order or priesthood. You've been an example to me and I'm glad we've walked together this while.

As part of WESTFRIARS' desire to participate in the Province's 75th, I would like to do an article which will somehow express your thoughts and feelings as Our Mother in the West approaches jubilee.

If you could send me one or two paragraphs which are appropriate to your jubilee and the Province's. I'll try to make a collage, using your names) in one article which we can share with the Province through WESTFRIARS. If at all possible could you get this to me by the end of April.

Peace!





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March 8, 1990

Dear Berard:

Peace and all good!

I'm looking forward to seeing you in Phoenix.

Thanks very much for your letter of March 2nd. I appreciate the invitation to be part of a collage on the occasion of the Province's 75th anniversary, and my jubilee, which is occurring this year. It was all news to me, Mel brought it to my attention when he put all those years down. It's hard for me to believe.

At any rate, I don't know if I'll be able to get off one or two paragraphs for the jubilee. It's not that I couldn't do it, it's just that I think my ideas are pretty well in circulation, particularly after the last two articles which I sent to you. I will hopefully do something much longer on the Province's jubilee, and I think that might be an appropriate way in which I could express myself.

If you want to quote me, just say that I'm very, very happy to be a member of this Province, with such a fine history and tradition, and I'm grateful because I can take great life from exemplary witness of the friars who have gone before me.

Thanks for all your work, Berard.

Faternally,

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July 3, 1990

Dear Berard:

Peace and all good!

I'm off to San Luis Rey, Santa Barbara, and then Steubenville, Ohio for a couple of weeks, and will be back about the 13th. of July, but before I left I wanted to pass on the enclosed sheets to you.

One of these is a poem written by Br. Tom Moore Page, CFX, reflecting of Isidro as he saw him carrying a wheelbarrow full of avocados. The other is the homily which David Temple gave at Isidro's funeral. I hope you can print these both in Westfriars, and solicit other selections from the friars. Thanks very much for all the effort you put into this.

The funeral was very beautiful. Isidro had over 500 relatives in the area, 38 nieces and nephews, and a good number of people were able to come up to Santa Barbara. The front pews of the friars chapel were filled with his cousins. He has one remaining sister still alive, and quite a few of the nieces and nephews were there. The Franciscan Sisters, those located in Santa Ana, were in Chapter at a nearby place, and they came to celebrate the mass of the resurrection with us. The whole friar's chapel was filled. For myself, it was a very moving occasion to look out on the chapel and see so many representatives of the Franciscan family, the family of Isidro, and our own friars. I was particularly pleased because so many of our laic friars were present, ones who have worked so long and so hard for the good of our fraternity and of the Province. This was a real testament to Isidro, who labored with a great deal of simplicity, shrewdness, and patience throughout his life. In my closing remarks, I mentioned how close he was to the earth, and how he had such great trust in the natural virtues and powers imbedded in God's creation. I feel that he gave labor a tremendous dignity. We all enjoyed his humor, and were edified by his Franciscan life. I'm glad David was able to bring out so much of this in the funeral homily.

I hope everything's going well with you, Berard. Please remember me in your prayers.

Fraternally,



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Berard Connolly, OFM
Old Mission San Xavier
Route 11, Box 645
Tucson, AZ 85746

July 3, 1990

Dear Berard:

Peace and all good!

Berry, I wonder if you could not help me out. [REDACTED] has written me, asking if I could not establish some oral witness "trail" as to his difficulties in the Order, particularly with respect to anger. [REDACTED] is having a difficult time now, and needs to apply to the Veteran's Administration. They refuse to take care of his difficulties unless he can prove some connection between his service in the Army and his burden of temper and anger over the many years he was in the Order. I wonder if you would have some memories going back that far, or if you ever noticed anything about [REDACTED] behavior which would indicate to you some substantial connection between his time in the Army and his difficulties with us. I would appreciate whatever help you can give.

Thanks very much, Berry. I would appreciate whatever help you can give.

Fraternally,

[REDACTED]

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August 9, 1990

Berard Connolly, OFM
San Xavier del Bac Mission
Route 11, Box 645
Tucson, Arizona 85746

Dear Berard:

Peace and all good!

I hope this letter finds you well, I look forward to seeing you at visitation time.

Berard, just a short note to thank you very much for the fine work you did on my paper on authority. I really appreciate the way it has been put out and my hope is it will provide something good for the Friars to reflect upon. May the Lord give you peace. Please be assured of my encouragement, friendship and love.

Fraternally,



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Provincial Promoter

Franciscan Missionary Union

FRANCISCAN FRIARS, Province of St. Barbara Rt 11 Box 645, Tucson, AZ 85746 (602) 294-2624

December 1, 1990



Dear [REDACTED]

The FMU committee asked me to write Moises Huerta and Jorge Barbaste informing them that as of May 1, 1991, the FMU could no longer support their education here in the states.

Because of obvious fall-out I thought it best to first send a copy of the letter to you. I will wait until I hear from you before writing to Moises and Jorge.

The deficit budget is a serious matter for the committee and putting out \$26,562.00 for two students is pretty glaring - and that is only one year out of the many the FMU has been doing this.

Even apart from the funding, this situation has had a demoralizing effect on the FMU committee. There has been no cooperation from Moises. When asked about his plans, I am told he becomes abusive with the usual charges of "racism."

B. O'NEIL

Several missionaries attended the FMU meeting. One of them, a friar who is extremely loyal to the Province, said, "I cannot preach for the missions with money being spent that way." This morning, before writing you, I had to tell Camilius that FMU had no money to buy him a new outhouse.

Sorry to continue adding to your burden.

Peace.

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Provincial Promoter

Franciscan Missionary Union

FRANCISCAN FRIARS, Province of St. Barbara RI 11 Box 645, Tucson, AZ 85746 (602) 294-2624

December 1, 1990

COPY

Melises Huerta, OFM
1500 34th Ave
Oakland, CA 94601

Dear Melises,

At the recent meeting of the Franciscan Mission Union committee some considerable time was spent reviewing the budget in light of the Province's FMU guidelines.

The FMU committee cannot continue operating on a deficit budget. In reviewing the budget, the amount of \$26,562.00 for two students was bound to stand out.

It is the decision of the FMU committee that it cannot continue this expense and as of May, 1, 1991, it must discontinue paying for your on-going education.

We know this will seriously effect your plans and we give you this five month notice so that you may contact your Provincial superiors and/or otherwise look for needed funds.

We do this reluctantly but in the face of deficit and the pressing needs of the Province's missions we must more exactly observe the guidelines approved for the Franciscan Missionary Union of the St. Barbara Province.

Sincerely,

Berard Connolly
for the FMU committee

cc



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COPY

December 1, 1990

Jorge Barbaste, OFM
1500 34th Ave
Oakland, CA 94601

Dear Jorge,

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Sincerely,

Berard Connolly
for the FMU committee



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Berard Connolly, OFM
Franciscan Missionary Union
Route 11, Box 645
Tucson, Az. 85746

December 11, 1990

Dear Berard:

Peace and all good!

Happy Christmas. I look forward to seeing you at the Chapter.

Berard, thanks very much for your letter of December 1st. with the reference to the two students, [REDACTED] I will be pursuing other things with [REDACTED] so I think your letter came at an opportune time. Certainly I understand the difficulties with the FMU budgeting, and that will just have to be dealt with for the two students.

I do not know what will happen to [REDACTED] whether he will stay or not. Let me ask you a question: if [REDACTED] is the only student here, will you be able to pay for him or not? I have no idea about what the expenses would be. Also, if the FMU cannot afford full tuition, are they willing to put up some monies. I am not sure of the position of the committee in these two areas. I am not trying to put pressure on the committee to change its position, I simply want to ask what the lay of the land is in working with the students as I'm sure they will end up at my doorstep.

Thanks for all the hard work, Berard. May the Lord bless you.

Fraternally,

[REDACTED]

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Berard Connolly, OFM
Old Mission San Xavier
Route 11, Box 645
Tucson, Az. 85746

Feb. 4, 1991

Dear Barry:

Peace and all good!

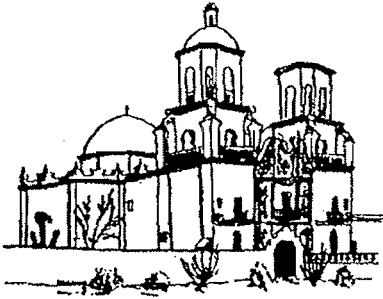
Thanks very much for sending me the information about the Franciscan Missionary Union. I think it's really a fine letter and I'm glad that you drew it up in that way. I look forward to the new membership on the committee and will be contacting Max in the near future. I appreciate all the work you've done. I really think you've brought some leadership to the group. Despite how you might evaluate your chairmanship, I'm grateful for it.

As much as I can see, the responses to the Chapter were really outstanding. It's very gratifying to me, and I want to thank you very much for the contribution you have made to that and to so much, especially for your work with Westfriars. May the Lord bless you. I look forward to seeing you soon.

Fraternally,



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0315



*file
Bened*

May 7, 1991

Dear [REDACTED]

Whenever that day or night comes and someone goes through the file I have in my room they will probably pause, wonder, and say "What the hell!" at the file folder marked simply as "HAYMO."

Enclosed is a letter I wrote Hamer several years ago when I still fought windmills. I no longer have the heroism needed. Don Quixote, limping, leaving center stage, remains a hero. The eminent Dominican is a snake in the grass so be aware as you and he walk the USD campus in colloquy. However, if you can nudge him, or his carriage - Oh that glorious scene in "The Name of the Rose," - near the cliff overlooking the freeway. Windmills are for others; I only dream!

The other light reading comes from the Capuchin newsletter "re-caps." An extremely excellent newsletter. Even with Hamer jumping the gun the Capuchin Minister General fought for the evangelical life. The war is probably over by now, or soon will be, but what a gift it must be for Capuchin Brothers to have Flavio.


Hope the definitorium meeting went well. You look tired at the S/W regional. Have a good summer and enjoy the business at San Diego. Who knows, there may be a few good laughs during it all. If you do miss a session or two, just dial 1-900-369-1600.

Thanks for so very much.

Peace!

Benny

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Welcome home!

I hope the enclosed is OK. I liked it!

Copies went into the mail today, October 23,
by 1st Class mail so the folks should have them
in a day or two.

With the printers minimum I have probably
enough extra copies for every Poor Clare monastery
in the western world. I'll leave them off in
Oakland when I go there the first week in November.

I would like to send a copy to my favorite Poor
Ladies in Enis, Ireland.

Peace!





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Berard Connolly, OFM
Mission San Xavier
Route 11, Box 645
Tucson, AZ 85746

October 28, 1991

Dear Berard:

Peace and all good!

I hope this letter finds you well. I've just returned from England and two weeks with the Sisters in Abingdon and friends in Oxford. I really enjoyed it and got a good rest. It was certainly good for me and helped revive my spirit.

When I came back the job which you did on my talk on leadership was on my desk. Excellent! Thanks very much, Berry, I really appreciate it. If you could send me some other copies so that I could send it around to one or the other people who have asked for it, I would appreciate it. Of course, you know you're able to send it wherever you deem appropriate. I'm glad you like it. Hope to see you soon.

Fraternally,



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COPY

Berard Connolly, OFM
San Xavier del Bac Mission
Route 11, Box 645
Tucson, Arizona 85746

November 20, 1991

Dear Berard,

Peace and all good! Happy Thanksgiving!

I know, Berard, the last few weeks have been very difficult for you. I want to thank you very much for coming to see me when you were up in the area and I am so glad you have talked with Richard McManus. Please be assured of my continued support and prayers. I will do all that I can to assist you in these difficult times.

Enclosed please find a copy of the address which I gave to the parishioners and to the friars when we closed the mission in Salem, Oregon, on November 16th. It was in many respects a heart-wrenching affair, but the people were very nice and we had a really fine reception. About 250 people came. I hope that the address can be printed in Westfriars. Thanks very much for your accomodation, Berard.

Fraternally,



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COPY

Berard Connolly, OFM
San Xavier del Bac Mission
1950 W. San Xavier Road
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January 8, 1992

Dear Barry,

Peace and all good!

This is just a short note to thank you very much, Berard, first for doing that work at the cemetery at Watsonville. I found the pictures and the description very fine. We'll keep it on record in the Provincial Office, and also send the original to Tim Arthur for the archives in Santa Barbara. It is really fine work. This is a big help to me as I have been looking for those graves for many years.

Also, I want to thank you personally for the letter which you sent me from your friend, Bernadine Wall, the Poor Clare in Ireland. She was certainly generous in her comments on my pamphlet. It was nice of you to think of sending it. I don't know where she got my nickname "Buster." Did you help her on that?

God bless you, Barry. Please be assured of my prayers and support.

Fraternally,



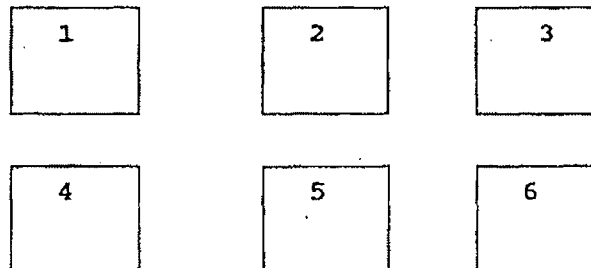
FRIARS AWAITING RESURRECTION NEAR WATSONVILLE
November 25, 1991

Six friars of Sacred Heart/St. Barbara Province are buried at the Pajaro Valley Cemetery across Hecker Road from the former St. Francis Orphanage "near Watsonville."

The cemetery is under control and direction of the Pajaro Valley Public Cemetery District, 66 Main, Watsonville, CA 95076, 722-0310. I found three of the cemeteries in this district and all are in excellent condition. Some graves and monuments were damaged in the recent earthquake but as far as I could see all damage has been repaired. I spent a half hour or so "talking cemeteries" with a caretaker. This area has a large Italian and Portuguese population and there are many larger mausoleums and tombs.

The large Mary, Help of Christians Church, staffed by Salesians, dominates the cemetery grounds. Masses in the church are in English, Portuguese, Italian and Spanish. Across the road from cemetery and church is the St. Francis Youth Center. Except for the lake, often spoken of by Father Roger, nothing is left of the former St. Francis Orphanage. I believe the Salesians ran a boys' boarding school for a number of years. Now the facility seems to be a youth recreation center. "The Penny Club" sponsors a great many youth oriented activities, especially for the children of migrant and farm workers. A whole fleet of parked buses serves for transportation. At the Youth Center office I met a young Salesian priest, whose name I do not know, who attended FST and was taught by Joe Chinnici. He was kindly registering Spanish speaking families for the Center.


Back to the cemetery. The friars are buried in Block 14, toward the back and to the north. Most of the graves in this area are either tombs or larger monuments. Nestled between a tomb and a newer low red brick wall are six grave markers of dark grey/black granite about two feet high, two rows of three:

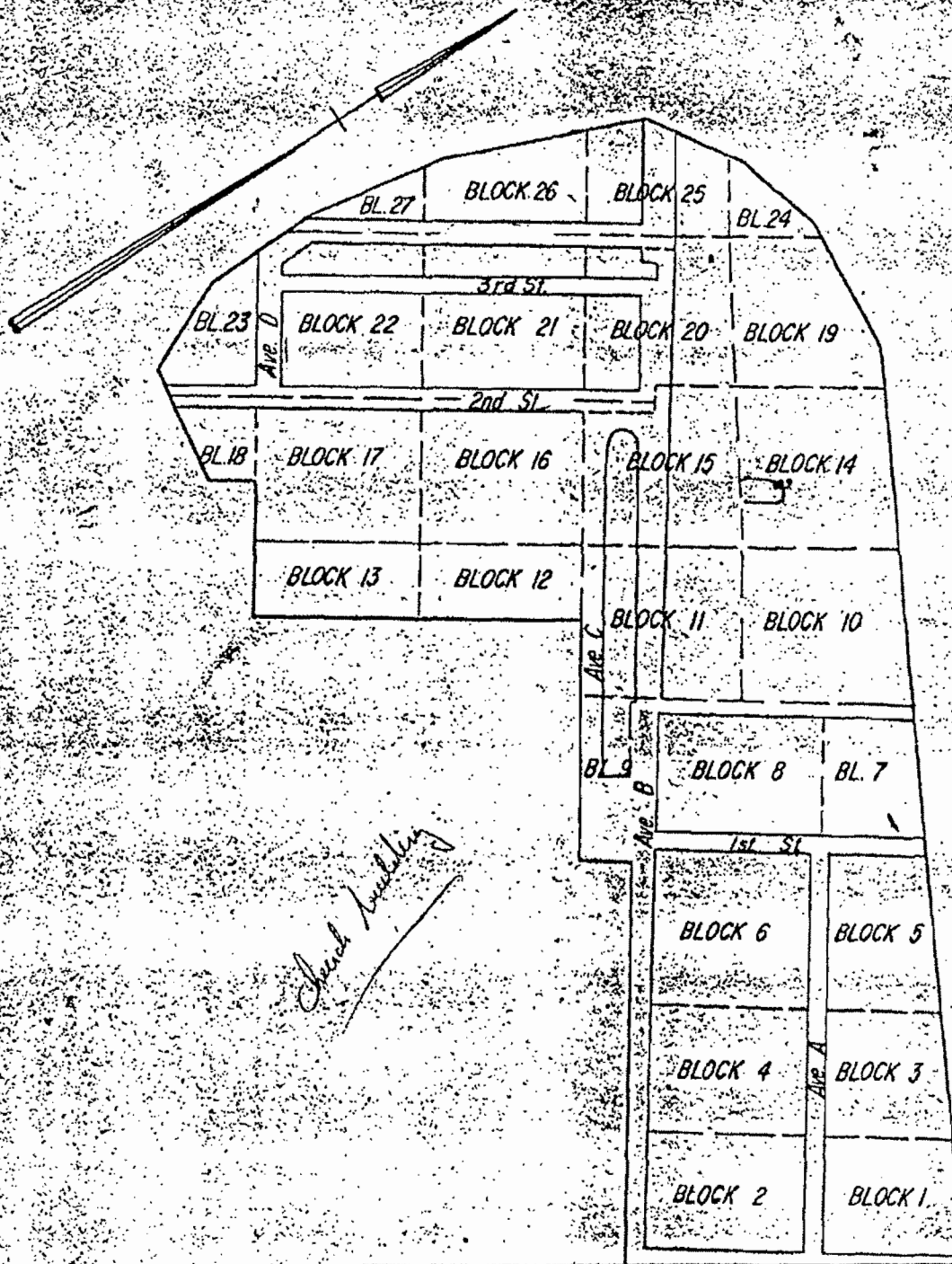


- #1 Rev. Herman Wirtz, OFM (November 6, 1905)
- #2 Rev. Gilbert Slater, OFM (December 8, 1906)
- #3 Rev. Quirinus Stuecker, OFM (September 22, 1914)
- #4 Bro. Aloisius Nauer, OFM (February 3, 1890)
- #5 Bro. Dominic Reed, OFM (August 25, 1903)
- #6 Bro. Dennis Oberbroeckling, OFM (October 5, 1918)

The whole plot looks rather nice. The grave markers are relatively new and appear to have been set in place at the same time. Brother Dennis is leaning a bit. There are several lilies growing. Looks like the plants are several years old.

Before leaving I look around from a grave view. The area is peaceful and rather beautiful. I said a prayer or two, and sang the Ultima. I lit a San Xavier del Bac candle in the church - which by now the pastor has probably blown out - and left. The friars rest near the orphanage where they lived. It's a nice spot. Without going into too much research, the cemetery office believes the plot is full.


-- berard connolly



HECKER PASS ROAD

VALLEY CATHOLIC CEMETERY

St. Francis
Orphanage site

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Scale 1" = 100'



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Berard Connolly, OFM
San Xavier del Bac Mission
1950 W. San Xavier Road
Tucson, AZ 85746

February 11, 1992

Dear Berard,

Peace and all good!

Barry, I just want to thank you very much for putting so much effort and time into the publication of Franciscan Life. You did an outstanding job! I see that you got somewhat of a blurb all by yourself, and you also wrote a beautiful commentary at the end of the book. I really appreciated what you had to say. You have been one of the movers behind the communications in the Province for many, many years, especially with Westfriars. Now you have made a major contribution in terms of Franciscan Life. I think it is excellent, and it has received a great reception wherever I go.

May God bless you for your work on this project, Barry. Please be assured always of my prayers and support.

Fraternally,



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John
Berard C.

[REDACTED]

This cover letter was sent
with the booklet to all the
Federated Monasteries, PCC.

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May 14, 1992

To the Poor Ladies of the Federation

Dear Sisters,

On behalf of the St. Barbara Province I offer you this little tribute to our brother and father, Father David Temple. O.F.M. In fact, I am returning your memories of him but in a fawn colored booklet.

Because Father David was both my novice master a hundred years ago and my Minister Provincial, my happy memories coincide with those of the Poor Ladies.

To my dying day I will be grateful to Father David for enfleshing our Holy Father Francis in my life and heart, and for introducing all of us to the beautiful Lady Clare. How incomplete our Franciscan lives would be without Father David, "Classmates" classmate. Father David so intune with Francis, that more than others, he could speak with "Brother Dog." Who but Father David knew the mayor of Assisi's middle name!

Again, dear Sisters, thank you for all you did for Father David while he was among you. Always he spoke beautifully of the Poor Ladies.

And, please keep me in your good prayers.

May we always and everywhere be with the Lord.

Berard

Brother Berard Connolly
Editor - WESTFRIARS

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July 2, 1992

Berard Connolly, OFM
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Tucson, Arizona 85746

Dear Berard:

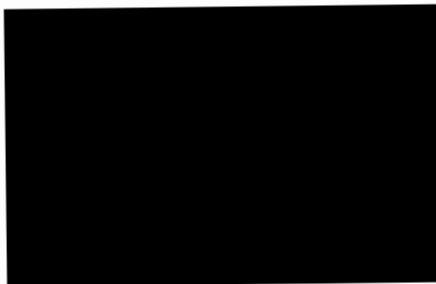
Peace and good.

I hope this letter finds you well and may you have a very fine summer. I had a good trip to Sicily and Rome. Mel and I had a wonderful time in Assisi. I will have to tell you all about it when I see you.

Enclosed with this letter, please find a copy of the closing remarks which I made at St. Clare's Portland this past Sunday. I hope that you will be able to print this in Westfriars. I have included also in the letter the closing brochure which the people put together about the Franciscan presence in St. Clare's. Maybe that brochure will furnish you with some pictures, as certainly the parish deserves some recognition.

Thanks very much, Berry. God bless you; you know you are in my prayers. I hope you got my card from Sicily.

Fraternally,



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July 2, 1992

Berard Connolly, OFM
San Xavier del Bac Mission
1950 W. San Xavier Road
Tucson, Arizona 85746

Dear Berard:

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Fraternally,



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August 4, 1992

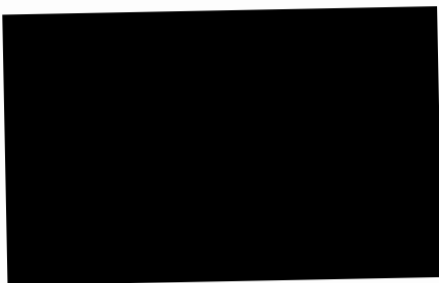
Dear Berard,

Peace and all Good.

Just a short note for doing the obituaries recently. I just received the one on Brice. This is a great gift to the Province, Barry, and I know that it probably takes a great amount of research for you. But it is a tremendous help. I will try to pass on to you the homily which I gave at Brice's funeral. It needs to be typed yet, and I have to include some concluding comments. But now I am trying to write out what I am saying just so that we will have some official word from the Provincial on the life of each friar. I really had hoped that the friars would respond to the request to write their memories for WESTFRIARS. I'm only grateful that you are willing to take up this task.

You are very good to the friars in the Province, Barry. God bless you.

Fraternally,



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FILE

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Berard Connolly, OFM
St. Francis Retreat
Box 1070
San Juan Bautista, CA 95045

January 21, 1993

Dear Berard:

Peace and all good!

Welcome home! I want to say on behalf of all the definitorium and myself how grateful we are to have you back in the province and to receive you into your new assignment at St. Francis Retreat, San Juan. I know that the last few months have been very difficult for you, but I know that they have been very rewarding for you and for all of us. We really are pleased to have you amongst us again. Please be assured of my continued support and prayers.

Enclosed please find an obedience to move from San Xavier to St. Francis Retreat, to be in residence, to help in the retreat house, to work you program, and to continue to do a great job on Westfriars. It's good for me to have you in the area.

God bless you. Please remember me in your prayers.

Fraternally,



OFM CONN 1
0330

SAINT FRANCIS



RETREAT CENTER

Dear [REDACTED]

Two things --

In catching up with my life I realize 1993 is the 800th anniversary of St. Clare.

Do you think you will have the time or energy to write a "booklet" on St. Clare which WESTFRIARS could put out for August?

Also, enclosed is a letter I received the otherday from Tony Neumayer. Every so often I feel the need for something in my file which will tell the future that I wasn't a complete failure. Maybe it's pride or maybe it's called stacking the deck.

I was surprised and grateful for Tony's note. I guess I ran into him once in the past 20 years. I was at his wedding. Tony isn't a man of words or too much sentiment but it seems he is a friend. Another proof of the truth in the saying about those you do the least for are those who do the most for you.

Since coming back from Tucson I feel more settled in at San Juan. I felt much a part of this past weekend's retreat. Doing dishes for the 100+ retreatants while also being a part was a good feeling.

So, things are going OK -- until the next bomb, I guess.

Peace!

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COPY

Barthel Bernard Connelley OLM
% Provincial Office
1500 34th Ave.
Oakland, CA. 94601

1-22-93

Dear Bro,

I thought I'd better drop you a note, as Linda and I have moved back to Montana. I have switched careers and am now selling wood pellets for wood stoves. We've been back almost 2 years now and are getting comfortable. We had to leave Adam in Oregon as he wanted to go to College at Oregon State. He's going to Medical School and is wrestling on ~~the~~ the Varsity.

Greg did come with us and is now going to the University of Montana with a business major. He's involved in track and will try football next year. Kelly + Sarah are both in the 5th grade and are best of friends, both are in basketball now and are little spitfires. Linda is working at a bank part time and at home full time. So were pretty busy all the time.

I've heard of your problems, and pray that you will be ok through this. Our prayers are with you. I remember the times that as a teenager

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my Dad left us and the terrible emotional time I had. You were there for me and you've been there for many young people. In these times, a life of religious service is not easy and there are very few people that choose that life. Don't be too hard on your self, Bro. There are a lot of people behind you and praying for you. Without you my life may have turned the wrong way. As we go along in life we all have problems + with the power of prayer and support of family + friends we get through the rough times. I talked with Fr. Barecci at St. Francis. He told me to send this letter to the Provincial office. Where ever your assigned, please, keep in touch with us. I'm only sorry that I didn't get in touch with you sooner than 4 years ago. As you get older I think you reflect more about the past and the people that helped you. Our Address is:

Tony + Linda Neumann
P.O. Box 1263
Lolo Mt. [REDACTED] 59847

If you want to talk you can call me at
1-800-322-9980

Maybe some day our paths will cross as I do some

traveling and I'll buy you dinner. I'm not much good at writing letters, but I wanted to let you know that we care and support you.

If my grammar and punctuation is off, it's because I usually have a secretary type my letters so I'm rusty.

I'd better close for now and get this in the mail. I'm [redacted] still at work so got to get busy. Write and let us know how you're doing.

Our prayers

Tony & Linda Henning



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St. Francis Retreat
Box 1070
San Juan Bautista, CA 95045

Feb. 10, 1993

Dear Berard:

peace and all good!

Enclosed, please find a homily which my sister gave at the 25th. anniversary of the Franciscan School of Theology. I thought you might enjoy putting it in Westfriars. I think it's very good and quite stimulating for the guys, but it seemed to me it was good enough to make available to people. This celebration occurred while you were gone and was quite a big thing. Perhaps someone like Bill Cieslak would be willing to write it up for the fellows for Westfriars.

Keep up the good work.

Fraternally,



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January 21, 1993

(date)

To Berard Connolly, OFM

From [REDACTED]

After prayer and consultation, and considering the many needs of the people to whom we minister, I am formally requesting that you accept a change of assignment

from San Xavier, Tucson to St. Francis, San Juan Bautista

For the convenience of all concerned, I ask that this change of assignment become effective
immediately (date).

As a sign of your acceptance, please sign below and return to the Provincial Office.

Fraternally [REDACTED] (Provincial Minister)

N. B. Sign and mail back immediately upon receipt

To the Provincial Minister:

In accordance with the vows I have made to the Lord and to our Brotherhood, I accept this new assignment.

[Signature]
(signature)

[Date]
(date)

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Province of St. Barbara

FRANCISCAN FRIARS

1500 34th Avenue Oakland California 94601 (510)536-3722 Fax (510)536-3970

Memo

To: Berard Connolly, OFM

From: [REDACTED]

Date: March 4, 1993

Re: Greyfriars Review

Enclosed please find a letter which I received from Regis Armstrong with respect to Greyfriars Review. I would hope that you could publish an advertisement of this review in the Westfriars with the following comment from me.

The Franciscan periodical, Greyfriars Review, comes with my highest recommendation. I believe it is the finest English Speaking journal that we have that deals with Franciscan spirituality, theology, and pastoral practice. I hope that as many of the individual houses that want to could order a subscription of Greyfriars review for their house libraries and that some of the articles could be discussed in house chapters and on days of recollection. Although many of the articles are highly technical, they certainly represent the best scholarship with is available to us and would more than reward a careful reading.

Thanks for doing this, Berard. I think it really will be of benefit to everyone. God bless you.

Fraternally,

[REDACTED]

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Berard Connolly, OFM
St. Francis Retreat
Box 1070
San Juan Bautista, CA 95045

March 3, 1993

Dear Berard:

peace and all good!

This is just a short note to thank you for writing me obituaries for Conrad and John. I really appreciate the fine work that you're doing. I think this is a tremendous contribution. I read both of them, and you really captured a lot of the spirit.

I will probably be coming down to San Juan next weekend and I look forward to seeing you. I've heard about some of the difficulties. Just let me say that my heart goes out to you and you have my own personal support and the support of the province. We will certainly do everything that is necessary.

God bless you, Berry. I'll see you soon.

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Berard Connolly, OFM
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Box 1070
San Juan Bautista, CA 95045

April 8, 1993

Dear Berard:

Peace and all good!

Enclosed, please find a copy with an English translation of the memorandum on Article 3 of the General Constitutions, given to me at the president's meeting in Rome. I wonder if you could print the complete English version in Westfriars? I would appreciate it. Thanks very much.

Fraternally,



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95045

Nov. 9, 1993

Dear Berard:

Peace and all good!

Enclosed, please find a copy of the homily which Archbishop John Quinn gave at the solemnities celebrated at St. Boniface Church. I hope that you can print it in Westfriars under his signature so that everyone can read it. It's very rare that we get a prelate of this stature to preach directly to us, and I think that we should take what he says directly to heart. Thanks very much for your attention to this, Barry.

Fraternally,



enclosure

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Berard Connolly, OFM
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San Juan Bautista, CA 95045

Nov. 26, 1993

Dear Berard:

Peace and all good!

I hope you have a very happy Thanksgiving.

Enclosed, please find an address which Mary Mazotti, the national Vice Minister of the Secular Franciscans gave at the annual meeting of the national fraternity. I would appreciate it very much if, sometime in the near future you would print this in Westfriars. Mary, as you know, used to be President of our SFO's in this province, and she's really been pushing cooperation for many years. I think the more attention we can give to the seculars in our own province publications the better off the fraternity will be, and we will be able to grow. Thanks very much for your attention to t his.

Fraternally,



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San Juan Bautista, CA 95045

Mar. 7, 1994

Dear Berard:

Peace and all good!

Enclosed, please find the recommendations from the General Curia's commission on the contemplative dimension of Franciscan life. In talking it over with the spiritual renewal committee and thinking about it myself, I think it would be good if we could put this into the kind of pamphlet that we put Bill Short's reflections into, and thus circulate it to many of the friars. This should not be done probably until September, after the fellows get settled in their new communities, but I want to give it to you in plenty of time and ask if you might be able to do this for me. You do such a great job on so much of this work.

Thanks very much for considering this, Berard. If there are any difficulties, please don't hesitate to ask.

Fraternally,



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Province of St. Barbara

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Berard, thanks very much for sending me a copy of the address which Paul Fericano gave to the friars group in Santa Barbara. I think it's really a fine statement, and it would do well for us to circulate it in Westfriars. So, please go ahead and print it, indicating that the friars are in conversation with Paul Fericano, and we are certainly trying to do everything we can to respond positively to the needs of the victims and the families, while also taking care of the friars.

Berard, I hope things are going well with you. I remember you in prayers frequently. You're a great friar and a good man, and I pray that the good Lord, especially during this season, blesses you in abundance.

Faternally,



OFM CONN 1

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Westfriars

(408) 623-4234
FAX (408) 623-9046

Province of Saint Barbara
P.O. Box 1070
San Juan Bautista, CA 95045-1070

April 16, 1994

Dear [REDACTED]

Thanks for the reminder about the Poor Ladies and the SFO in our communications.

WESTFRIARS has tried to include both. The Clares are easier than the SFO. My problem with SFO is that I was too well known among them, in the northwest and southwest. However, I do try to include them in WESTFRIARS.

I believe in the SFO and enjoyed my time among them. They are good people who often do what we friars talk about.

WESTFRIARS plans on doing something on the Aptos Poor Ladies and I've asked Bob Brady about Most Holy Redeemer SFO fraternity in The City.

Angelo stopped in to see me yesterday and we had a fine visit. It's great being around a friar as enthusiastic as he, especially in formation work!

Have a very full house this weekend - Fort Ord Women, Marriage Encounter, Singles Retreat, Santa Clara U. students and a delightful group of Black students from Stanford. Can they pray!!

Peace!

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Memo

To: Berard Connolly, OFM

From: [REDACTED]

Date: June 27, 1994

Subject: Barbara Meiswinkle

The provincial just received this from the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco. Perhaps you would like to put it in your newspaper? She certainly was a good friend of the friars at St. Boniface, and she was also affiliated with the Order. Thanks for all the work you do for the province.

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1500 34th Avenue Oakland California 94601 (510)536-3722 Fax (510)536-3970

September 13, 1994

Berard Connolly, OFM
St. Francis Retreat Center
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San Juan Bautista CA 95045

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Dear Berard,

Peace and all good!

Enclosed please find a picture of Norbert which Coleman, a member of the Assumption Province has sent me most recently. Norbert looks pretty good. Do you think this might be a good snapshot for *Westfriars*? I hope so.

I'll be sending you a quite lengthy article -- an address which I gave at the Franciscan Federation. I hope it will be of some use to our friars. You might print it as a part of *Westfriars* or as a supplement. But I hope and trust it will provide some good reflection material.

Thanks so much for the work, Berard. God bless you.

Faternally,



enclosure: photograph

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September 14, 1994

Berard Connolly, OFM
St. Francis Retreat Center
P O Box 1070
San Juan Bautista CA 95045

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Dear Berard,

Joe asked that I send you the enclosed article with a note that it "be made available to all the friars through the *Westfriars*."

Sincerely,



enclosure

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September 27, 1994

Berard Connolly, OFM
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Dear Berard,

Peace and all good!

I want to thank you so very much for the letter which you were kind enough to write to me on September 17, the feast of the Holy Stigmata, and the feast of your transitus. I remember the day well, the discussions that went up to it, the desire to try to do it in the best way possible, the difficulties each of us experienced. My heart went out to you then. I have always considered you and still consider you to be one of my best friends in the Order.

I think I was very fortunate to be elected to the Provincial Definitorium in 1979 when you were elected. This enabled us to get to know each other and for me to translate your very insightful and pictorial feelings so that they could be communicated to those of us who are the more disembodied cognitive types. You have been a great blessing in my life.

Your letter was beautifully written and, I think, is a good description of a wonderful process that is taking place. I want to encourage you very much to respond in this way to the Holy Spirit Who is so obviously and evidently working in you, through you, in your faults, in your strengths, in your weaknesses and enabling you to give such great witness in the fraternity.

Sometime when I have a great deal of time and, really, the privilege to do justice to your letter, I would like to sit down and write perhaps, my own history of my events in the last two years. Your own responsiveness to the request of the province, your patience and sensitivity to me, your acceptance of this road of the Cross has been one of the strengths which has enabled me even to survive. I thank you so much for this letter and for your friendship, Berard. God bless you.

Fraternally,



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January 19, 1995

Berard Connolly, OFM
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Dear Barry,

Peace and all good!

Enclosed please find a message from Assisi which was sent to me as the result of the "Assisi 1994" meeting held on the Franciscan missionary charism. I would appreciate it very much if you could print this in *Westfriars*. Thanks a lot, Barry. God bless you.

Fraternally,



enclosure: Message from Assisi

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March 13, 1995

Berard Connolly, OFM
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Dear Barry,

Peace and all good.

Thanks very much for your letter to me of March 3, 1995, in which you inquire about the mailing list for *Westfriars*. Let me simply make the following brief comment.

It seems to me the list of people on the two pages that you sent me are fine. I see no difficulty, either, with Edith Eddy or with Mary Jean Sortors. These people generally are extremely supportive of us and in the long run I believe sharing with them some of the news that is contained in *Westfriars* will be of benefit to everyone. In that way they can support us in our difficulties with their prayers and rejoice in some of the good things that are being accomplished. I simply wouldn't worry about their impressions.

Because of these comments I would certainly prefer that you omit your comments in the last paragraph that *Westfriars* will concentrate on being a newsletter strictly for the friars in-house. I don't see any need for that at the present time. I think that if a particular issue comes up, you certainly have exercised great discretion in the past and will continue to do so in the future. I would keep them on the *Westfriars* mailing list. If you have difficulty with this, I'm certainly willing to discuss it. It is just my feedback at the present time. The *Way* really has a different purpose with a different audience. And in the long run, *Westfriars* and *Way* will be mutually beneficial and complementary.

Listen, you're doing a great job. I want to thank you for the wonderful work. You know part of the renewal in the province is due to the great communications that you've been working on for so many years. God bless you, Barry

Fraternally,



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September 5, 1995

Berard Connolly, OFM
St. Francis Retreat Center
P O Box 970
San Juan Bautista CA 95045

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Dear Berard,

Peace and all good.

Enclosed please find the latest from the pen of yours truly. I hope there's something you can do with it. My idea was probably to put it into a pamphlet that could be made available for the FILM process. I don't know whether this is possible or whether you have the resources down there to do it. I've asked Imelda to translate it into Microsoft Word so that you can put it on your computer. If you can't do this, would it be possible for you to track down how it could be done? My only suggestion would be Paul Reczek of the Assumption Province. He has a lot of pamphlet-making abilities and you might be able to contact him and he would be able to give you some ideas. I realize it is quite lengthy and if you really don't have time and aren't able to do this project, let me know and we'll figure out something else. I could send them out in long form just as print outs. And that's possible too. We can talk about it, perhaps, on the phone, after you look over the material.

Thanks so much for attending to this project. Again, please feel free to give me your honest feedback. And if it's not possible, I understand that and we can always send out the thing from the office in hard copy over a period of time.

God bless you, Berard.

Fraternally,



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September 12, 1995

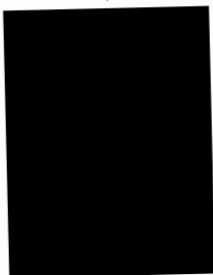
Berard Connolly, OFM
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Dear Barry,

Peace and all good.

This is the negative of that picture I sent you many months ago of our three generations of Scotus scholars. Perhaps sometime you will find a way to put it in *Westfriars*. I just thought I'd pass it on to you. Thanks very much.



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September 13, 1995

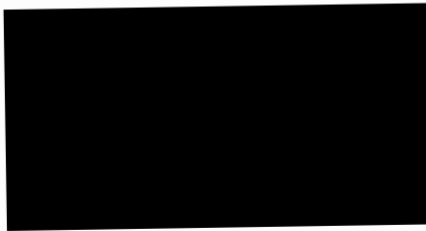
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Berard Connolly, OFM
St. Francis Retreat Center
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San Juan Bautista CA 95045

Dear Barry,

Here we are again! You can see those two wonderful, good-looking friars from the Philippines. Do with it what you wish. I'm sure that everybody will be well-inspired. They're really great men. Thanks.

Fraternally,



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Province of St. Barbara

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October 25, 1995

Berard Connolly, OFM
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San Juan Bautista CA 95045

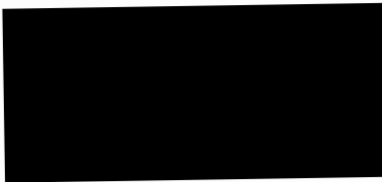
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Dear Berard,

Peace and all good.

Enclosed please find a set of pictures which I received from Timothy Noonan's niece. I believe these might be useful for *Westfriars*. At least I hope so. Thanks very much for your attention to this. You wrote a very nice obituary. God bless you.

Fraternally,



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Province of St. Barbara

FRANCISCAN FRIARS

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December 6, 1995

Berard Connolly, OFM
St. Francis Retreat Center
P O Box 970
San Juan Bautista CA 95045

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Dear Berard,

Peace and all good. I hope you have a very joyous Advent. It was good to see you during the definitorium meeting. Enclosed please find the summer schedule for the Franciscan Institute. You might want to make a note of it for *Westfriars*. Thanks, Berard.

Fraternally,



Third party privacy

Notification of Next of Kin

CONNOLLY
Last name

BERARD
Christian (Religious)

WILLIAM
Middle

Birthrate: February 26, 1928

Birthplace San Francisco, CA

Social Security #

Drivers License #

State CA

Address of two (2) persons to notify in case of sickness/death

1)

2)

3)

4)

Do you belong to another Province? NO

Your Medical Doctor: Dr. Benedict Carota, MD

Your doctors address and phone: 901 Sunset Drive, Hollister, CA 95023 408-637-1655

Blood type:

Medical Allergies: take cumiden for heart

Your insurance Carrier RETA Diocese of Monterey

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Do you have special requests for your funeral service/arrangements?

My feelings about my funeral are fairly well known at the Provincial Office. My firm wish is that I have a CLOSED casket. (Or I will haunt you!) Should I die at St. Francis Retreat I would like a simple memorial mass (any place but St. Elizabeth's, Oakland!) If possible I would like Joe Chinnici to preach I would like to be cremated (unless my sister should say otherwise.)

For burial I have a few plans:

- A) Burial at the San Juan Bautista Cemetery. In many ways San Juan is home to me. I really began my religious life here and it may end it here.
- B) Burial at Holy Cross Cemetery, Colma. As I become older the soil of my birthplace becomes more real. I am a son of the City and County of San Francisco.
- C) A dream in my life was to be a missionary. I spent five years at San Xavier del Bac - counting money! Could my ashes be placed in the Old Indian Cemetery adjacent the Mission Church?
- D) Bury my ashes or body anyplace but Oakland.

As I have caused enough publicity for the friars in life, I request little or no notification of my death.

Are there any personal items you want given to your family?

Baseball Trophy to Mr. Tim Cronin, Spokane

Picture of Bl. Kateri Tekewitha to Gabriel Encinas, San Xavier del Bac

Metal thunderbird to Mr. Peter Nguyen, Alhambra, CA

Do you have insurance policies, pensions, veteran's benefits, etc.? Is so please list.

N/A

If you have a bank account by reason of ministry, who is the co-signer on the account?

WESTFRIARS

Richard McManus, OFM

Sensitive: I request the local superior to check my room and remove anything considered "sensitive." I ask him to do this before the arrival of the Archivist.

In my room are two RED folders. One marked for Joe Chinnici and the other for the local superior.

Signature of Friar

Date

Barack J. Connolly
July 20, 1992

SPECIAL REQUIREMENT: STATEMENT OF PATIENT ADVOCATE OR OMBUDSMAN

If you are a patient in a skilled nursing facility, a patient advocate or ombudsman must sign the Statement of Witnesses above and must also sign the following declaration.)

I further declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of California that I am a patient advocate or ombudsman as designated by the State Department of Aging and am serving as a witness as required by subdivision (e) of Probate Code section 4701.

Signature: _____ Address: _____
Print Name: _____
Date: _____

CERTIFICATE OF ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF NOTARY PUBLIC

knowledge before a notary public is not required if you have elected to have two qualified witnesses sign above. If you are a patient in a skilled nursing facility, you must have a patient advocate or ombudsman sign the Statement of Witnesses on e 3 and the Statement of Patient Advocate or Ombudsman above)

County of California)

)ss.

City of _____)

this _____ day of _____, in the year _____,

before me, _____
(here insert name and title of the officer)

personally appeared _____
(here insert name of principal)

personally known to me (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the person(s) whose name(s) is/are subscribed to this instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same in his/her/their authorized capacity(ies), that by his/her/their signature(s) on the instrument the person(s), or the entity upon behalf of which the person(s) acted, executed the instrument.

I HAVE SET MY HAND AND OFFICIAL SEAL.

(Signature of Notary Public)

NOTARY SEAL

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YOUR AGENT MAY NEED THIS DOCUMENT IMMEDIATELY IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY. YOU SHOULD KEEP THE COMPLETED ORIGINAL AND GIVE PHOTOCOPIES OF THE COMPLETED ORIGINAL TO (1) YOUR AGENT AND ALTERNATE AGENTS, (2) YOUR PERSONAL PHYSICIAN, AND (3) MEMBERS OF YOUR FAMILY AND ANY OTHER PERSONS WHO MIGHT BE CALLED IN THE EVENT OF A MEDICAL EMERGENCY. THE LAW PERMITS THAT PHOTOCOPIES OF THE COMPLETED DOCUMENT CAN BE RELIED UPON AS THOUGH THEY WERE ORIGINALS.

California Medical Association
DURABLE POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR HEALTH CARE DECISIONS
(California Probate Code Sections 4600-4753)

WARNING TO PERSON EXECUTING THIS DOCUMENT

This is an important legal document. Before executing this document, you should know these important facts:

This document gives the person you designate as your agent (the attorney-in-fact) the power to make health care decisions for you. Your agent must act consistently with your desires as stated in this document or otherwise made known.

Except as you otherwise specify in this document, this document gives your agent power to consent to your doctor not giving treatment or stopping treatment necessary to keep you alive.

Notwithstanding this document, you have the right to make medical and other health care decisions for yourself so long as you can give informed consent with respect to the particular decision. In addition, no treatment may be given to you over your objection, and health care necessary to keep you alive may not be stopped or withheld if you object at the time.

This document gives your agent authority to consent, to refuse to consent, or to withdraw consent to any care, treatment, service, or procedure to maintain, diagnose, or treat a physical or mental condition. This power is subject to any statement of your desires and any limitations that you include in this document. You may

state in this document any types of treatment that you do not desire. In addition, a court can take away the power of your agent to make health care decisions for you if your agent (1) authorizes anything that is illegal, (2) acts contrary to your known desires or (3) where your desires are not known, does anything that is clearly contrary to your best interests.

This power will exist for an indefinite period of time unless you limit its duration in this document.

You have the right to revoke the authority of your agent by notifying your agent or your treating doctor, hospital, or other health care provider orally or in writing of the revocation.

Your agent has the right to examine your medical records and to consent to their disclosure unless you limit this right in this document.

Unless you otherwise specify in this document, this document gives your agent the power after you die to (1) authorize an autopsy, (2) donate your body or parts thereof for transplant or therapeutic or educational or scientific purposes, and (3) direct the disposition of your remains.

If there is anything in this document that you do not understand, you should ask a lawyer to explain it to you.

1. CREATION OF DURABLE POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR HEALTH CARE

By this document I intend to create a durable power of attorney by appointing the person designated below to make health care decisions for me as allowed by Sections 4600 to 4753, inclusive, of the California Probate Code. This power of attorney shall not be affected by my subsequent incapacity. I hereby revoke any prior durable power of attorney for health care. I am a California resident who is at least 18 years old, of sound mind, and acting of my own free will.

2. APPOINTMENT OF HEALTH CARE AGENT

(Fill in below the name, address and telephone number of the person you wish to make health care decisions for you if you become incapacitated. You should make sure that this person agrees to accept this responsibility. The following may not serve as your agent: (1) your treating health care provider; (2) an operator of a community care facility or residential care facility for the elderly; or (3) an employee of your treating health care provider, a community care facility, or a residential care facility for the elderly, unless that employee is related to you by blood, marriage or adoption, or unless you are also an employee of the same treating provider or facility. If you are a conservatee under the Lanterman-Petris-Short Act (the law governing involuntary commitment to a mental health facility) and you wish to appoint your conservator as your agent, you must consult a lawyer, who must sign and attach a special declaration for this document to be valid.)

I, BERARD W. CONNOLLY, hereby appoint:
(insert your name)

Name

Address

Work Telephone

Home Telephone

as my agent (attorney-in-fact) to make health care decisions for me as authorized in this document. I understand that this power of attorney will be effective for an indefinite period of time unless I revoke it or limit its duration below.

(Optional) This power of attorney shall expire on the following date: OFM CONN 1

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3. AUTHORITY OF AGENT

If I become incapable of giving informed consent to health care decisions, I grant my agent full power and authority to make those decisions for me, subject to any statements of desires or limitations set forth below. Unless I have limited my agent's authority in this document, that authority shall include the right to consent, refuse consent, or withdraw consent to any medical care, treatment, service, or procedure; to receive and to consent to the release of medical information; to authorize an autopsy to determine the cause of my death; to make a gift of all or part of my body; and to direct the disposition of my remains, subject to any instructions I have given in a written contract for funeral services, my will or by some other method. I understand that, by law, my agent may not consent to any of the following: commitment to a mental health treatment facility, convulsive treatment, psychosurgery, sterilization or abortion.

4. MEDICAL TREATMENT DESIRES AND LIMITATIONS (OPTIONAL)

Your agent must make health care decisions that are consistent with your known desires. You may, but are not required to, state your desires about the kinds of medical care you do or do not want to receive, including your desires concerning life support if you are seriously ill. If you do not want your agent to have the authority to make certain decisions, you must write a statement to that effect in the space provided below; otherwise, your agent will have the broad powers to make health care decisions for you that are outlined in paragraph 3 above. In either case, it is important that you discuss your health care desires with the person you appoint as your agent and with your doctor(s).

Following is a general statement about withholding and removal of life-sustaining treatment. If the statement accurately reflects our desires, you may initial it. If you wish to add to it or to write your own statement instead, you may do so in the space provided.)

I do not want efforts made to prolong my life and I do not want life-sustaining treatment to be provided or continued: (1) if I am in an irreversible coma or persistent vegetative state; or (2) if I am terminally ill and the use of life-sustaining procedures would serve only to artificially delay the moment of my death; or (3) under any other circumstances where the burdens of the treatment outweigh the expected benefits. In making decisions about life-sustaining treatment under provision (3) above, I want my agent to consider the relief of suffering and the quality of my life, as well as the extent of the possible prolongation of my life.

If this statement reflects your desires, initial here: PS

Other or additional statements of medical treatment desires and limitations:

I conside amputation an extraordinary means

You may attach additional pages if you need more space to complete your statements. Each additional page must be dated and signed at the same time you date and sign this document.)

5. APPOINTMENT OF ALTERNATE AGENTS (OPTIONAL)

You may appoint alternate agents to make health care decisions for you in case the person you appointed in Paragraph 2 is unable or unwilling to do so.)

If the person named as my agent in Paragraph 2 is not available or willing to make health care decisions for me as authorized in this document, I appoint the following persons to do so, listed in the order they should be asked:

First Alternate Agent: Name _____

Address _____

Work Telephone _____

Home Telephone _____

Second Alternate Agent: Name _____

Address _____

Work Telephone _____

Home Telephone (_____) _____

USE OF COPIES

I hereby authorize that photocopies of this document can be relied upon by my agent and others as though they were originals.

DATE AND SIGNATURE OF PRINCIPAL

(You must date and sign this power of attorney)

I sign my name to this Durable Power of Attorney for Health Care at SAN JUAN BAUTISTA CA
(City) (State)
April 3, 1998 Gerald W. Connolly
(Date) (Signature of Principal)

STATEMENT OF WITNESSES

This power of attorney will not be valid for making health care decisions unless it is either (1) signed by two qualified adult witnesses who are present when you sign or acknowledge your signature or (2) acknowledged before a notary public in California. You elect to use witnesses rather than a notary public, the law provides that none of the following may be used as witnesses: (1) the persons you have appointed as your agent and alternate agents; (2) your health care provider or an employee of your health care provider; or (3) an operator or employee of an operator of a community care facility or residential care facility for the elderly. Additionally, at least one of the witnesses cannot be related to you by blood, marriage or adoption, or be named in your will.

SPECIAL RULES FOR SKILLED NURSING FACILITY RESIDENTS: If you are a patient in a skilled nursing facility, you must have a patient advocate or ombudsman sign both the statement of witnesses below and the declaration on the following page. You must also have a second qualified witness sign below or have this document acknowledged before a notary public.)

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of California that the person who signed or acknowledged this document is personally known to me to be the principal, or that the identity of the principal was proved to me by convincing evidence;* that the principal signed and acknowledged this durable power of attorney in my presence, that the principal appears to be of sound mind and under no duress, fraud, or undue influence; that I am not the person appointed as attorney in fact by this document; and that I am not the principal's health care provider, an employee of the principal's health care provider, the operator of a community care facility or a residential care facility for the elderly, nor an employee of an operator of a community care facility or residential care facility for the elderly.

First Witness: Signature Angelo F. Cardinalli, O.F.M.
Print name Angelo F. CARDINALLI, O.F.M.
Date 7/22/98
Residence Address P.O. Box 970, San Juan Bautista, CA 95045
Second Witness: Signature Patricia May Perez
Print name PATRICIA MAY PEREZ
Date 7/22/98
Residence Address 12003 CRESTVIEW RD. - HOLLISTER, CA 95023

(AT LEAST ONE OF THE ABOVE WITNESSES MUST ALSO SIGN THE FOLLOWING DECLARATION)

I further declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of California that I am not related to the principal by blood, marriage, or adoption, and, to the best of my knowledge I am not entitled to any part of the estate of the principal upon the death of the principal under a will now existing or by operation of law.

Signature: _____

* Law allows one or more of the following forms of identification as convincing evidence of identity: a California driver's license or identification card or passport that is current or has been issued within five years, or any of the following if the document is current or has been issued within five years, contains photograph and description of the person named on it, is signed by the person, and bears a serial or other identifying number: a foreign passport that has been issued by the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service; a driver's license issued by another state or by an authorized Canadian or Mexican agency; or an identification card issued by another state or by any branch of the U.S. armed forces. If the principal is a patient in a skilled nursing facility, a patient advocate or ombudsman may rely on the representations of family members or the administrator or staff of the facility as convincing evidence of identity if the patient advocate or ombudsman believes that the representations provide a reasonable basis for determining the identity of the principal.

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February 1, 1996

Berard Connolly, OFM
St. Francis Retreat Center
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San Juan Bautista, CA 95045

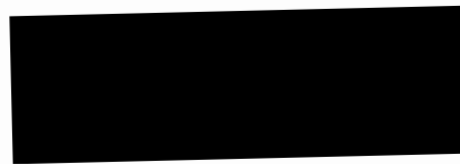
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Dear Berry,

Peace and all good!

What an outstanding job you did on Father Justin Moncrief's obituary. I want to thank you for this. It was spoken from the heart and I found it very moving. May God bless you, Berry, for your work. Just a note of congratulation and gratitude.

Fraternally,



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May 21, 1996

Berard Connolly, OFM
St. Francis Retreat Center
P.O. Box 970
San Juan Bautista, CA 95045

Dear Berard,

Peace and all good.

Enclosed, please find the "Letter of the Conference of the Franciscan Family on the Occaasion of the Tenth Anniversary of the Day of Prayer for Peace in Assisi". I would appreciate it if, in your good time, you might either copy this or make it available to the friars through some of your publications. God bless you, Berard. Thanks so much.

Fraternally,



Enc.



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August 21, 1996

Bro. Berard Connolly, OFM
St. Francis Retreat Center
P.O. Box 970
San Juan Bautista, CA 95045

Dear Berard,

Peace and good.

Just a short note to thank you so very much for your reflections on Father Raynor Harrington. Once again, you've done an outstanding job. I do appreciate your handling of so many of the obituaries for the friars. You're a great writer, you have a wonderful feel for history and a real sense of what it means to be a Friar Minor. This comes through very clearly in the letters which you write with respect the others. I could not do better myself and would hope to do as well. God bless you for this ministry, Berard.

Fraternally,



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January 2, 1997
(dictated 12/20/96)

Berard Connolly, OFM
St. Francis Retreat Center
P.O. Box 970
San Juan Bautista, CA 95045

Dear Berard,

Peace and all good. I hope you had a joyous Christmas.

I would appreciate very much if you could publish this letter from the General in the next Westfriars. I may get out a little late, but I don't think it's that significant that you have to worry about it. At any rate, the request is, that it's sent to all the brothers in the area, so I hope you can pass it on to all the brothers in this Province.

Thanks so much, Berard.

Fraternally,

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Enclosure
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The name of the Maltese Provincial is Fr. Bernard Bartolo, OFM. Address of the Provincial Offices/Friary is:

Franciscan Friars
291 St. Paul Street
Valletta, VLT 07
Malta

Thanks for your note. Glad all went well.

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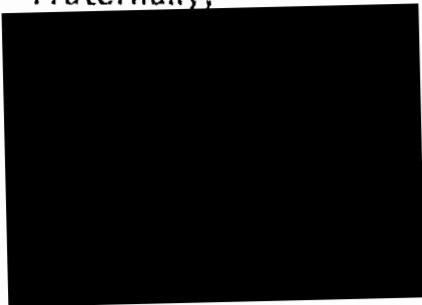
Bro. Berard Connolly, OFM
St. Francis Retreat Center
P.O. Box 970
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Dear Berard,

This is to inform you that, at its most recent meeting, the Definitorium has appointed you as Vicar of St. Francis Retreat Center, along with Richard McManus as Guardian.

Be assured of our prayers for you and for the members of your community.

Faternally,





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June 9, 1997

Bro. Berard Connolly, OFM
St. Francis Retreat Center
P.O. Box 970
San Juan Bautista, CA 95045

Dear Berard,

Thanks for sending me your response to Sister Lisa Ann. How wonderful that people are concerned about the multicultural issue in their religious community.

Thanks for being my advocate and for taking such good care of my fans.

Your brother,



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NEWSLETTER

Westfriars

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Another fan!
Sent Goshen
this Am.
Gerry

Franciscan Province of St. Barbara
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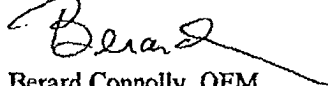
June 5th, 1997

Thank you for your interest in Father Finian's pamphlet: Toward "Multiculturalizing" a Religious Community.

Enclosed is the booklet. And, Sister, there is no charge involved. We are happy to be a part of the important challenge of our being sisters and brothers together. Also, many years ago I gave a talk at St. Callistus School and was impressed by staff and students!

Father Finian has a long history in the field of multicultural education chiefly in the San Joaquin Valley. He is fluent in Spanish and Hmong and presently learning Vietnamese to better share with our Vietnamese Brothers and their families. Father was elected Minister Provincial last January.

Peace!



Bro. Berard Connolly, OFM,
Editor

Saint Callistus Convent
2541 North Forest Avenue
Santa Ana, Ca 92706

COPY

June 1, 1996

To the Publication Department,

I recently was made aware of [REDACTED] 1996 pamphlet:
Toward "Multiculturalizing" a Religious Community. I, very much
interested in ordering it. Please send it to me as soon as possible. I will
send the payment including postage etc. after you've billed me. If you
prefer payment beforehand, please contact me by phone or leave a
message and I will send the payment.

Thank you very much!

Sister Lisa Ann Martinez, O.P.

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October 29, 1997

Bro. Berard Connolly, OFM
St. Francis Retreat Center
P.O. Box 970
San Juan Bautista, CA 95045

Dear Berard,

Thank you for your note of October 23rd. Thanks also for keeping the Province informed about the occurrences in Assisi. I certainly appreciate what you are doing. It's interesting, Berard, now many other groups are asking me for that book. I may have to go into the fourth and fifth printing sometime.

On a serious note, thank you for your concern regarding Gary. Yesterday, we received word that he is on the mend and it looks as if he will shortly enjoy a complete recovery. Certainly, he will be seeing a therapist for a period of time, but I think things are working out for him. I appreciate also, Berard, the fact that you visited David. Please keep him in your prayers.

Be assured of my prayers and looking forward to seeing you at the celebration for [REDACTED]

Faternally,
[REDACTED]

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October 23, 1997

Dear [REDACTED]

Please let me know as time goes on if there is anything I can say or write to Gary S.

I spent three months in a mental institution so may have a bit of an insiders view.

Visited with David the other day. My heart goes out to the poor kid. His eyes continue to haunt me.

Peace!

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Bernard', is written below the word 'Peace!'.

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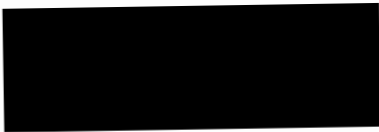
December 1, 1997

Bro. Berard Connolly, OFM
St. Francis Retreat Center
P.O. Box 970
San Juan Bautista, CA 95045

Dear Berard,

Enclosed is a letter from Erwin Schoenstine to his sister describing the kidnapping of Fr. Des Hartford. I thought you might want to put this in "Westfriars".

Thanks,



Enc.



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November 9, 1997

Dear Vicki and Family,

Peace & Every Blessing

No doubt you have heard of the kidnapping of Fr. Des Hartford, our "Bishop." He was released this morning a little after one A.M. I would like to explain for you all that happened but it is very complicated.

Des was kidnapped October 27th in Kalanbagan area, a Christian area, not in Marawi. The kidnapers were a group of Muslims, M.N.F.L. rebel returnees. Through the efforts of the Bishop Capalla and the National Unification Board they had returned to the fold and were promised large sums by the government for income generating projects--millions of pesos. But during the last three years many of the returnees did not receive anything from the government. Finally in desperation they kidnapped Des demanding the money promised to them.

Our Muslim friends helped us very much, one in particular, Aleem Elias going back and forth between the rebels and the authorities. Des was personally treated well by the captors and moved from place to place in the mountains for his safety. There were at least four armed groups trying to get hold of Des. Politicians also got involved looking for political leverage for the coming elections next year. There were hundreds of phone calls back and forth, people traveling from Davao to Iligan to Manila and back. Meetings held in Capayan de Oro, Kalanbagan, and in secret hideaways. False reports even on TV that he had been released, especially since Saturday, 1st of November. He was to be released to one group when the governor of Lanao stepped in and demanded that he be released to him, etc.

I was in Manila when Des was picked up. When I got back on October 1st, we set up three centers of communication: Nilo, the Vicar General, stayed in Marawi; Sr. Angie and Bamanito in Kalanbagan at the base of the road to the mountain site; and I in Corpus Christ parish in Iligan City. Day and night meetings, communications, demands, and visitors. The last three nights Fr. Des got no sleep because they were moving him from place to place, even sleeping once in the open field, trying to avoid the armed groups after him. Finally he was released this morning. I heard of it at 2:30 A.M. and proceeded to Linamon where we met the caravan that came down from the mountains. Des is O.K. and has been taken to Capayan de Oro for rest.

Thanks for your letter of October 7th, Vicki. Surprised to hear of you climbing the cliff along the coast when a few years ago you needed a "lift" to go up and down the stairs. Great improvement. I'm fine. More information when I get some time. I'll try to write a Christmas letter next week if I can.

Regards to all.

With love,

Erwin.

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ST. FRANCIS RETREAT

Dear [REDACTED]

Sorry I did not make the Guardians/Vicars meeting. Legs aren't working too well – I began physical therapy yesterday – and San Damiano is a rough place to navigate.

My good friend Bunny Fontana wrote the enclosed about Albie. Thought maybe you'd like to hear it was a good move. I have a lot of respect for Bunny's advice when it comes to the O'dham.

Peace!

Bened

We miss having Mike at San Xavier, but Father Alberic was a God-sent replacement. For someone who has never been in the region before and who has never worked with Indians, much less O'dham, he has acclimated with incredible speed and actually seems to be enjoying himself immensely. He is very well liked by all the board members of the Patronato, by the crew working on the church, by employees of the mission, and, so far as an outsider can judge, by his fellow friars. It appears he is also making great strides with the Wa: k community.

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March 12, 1998

Bro. Berard Connolly, OFM
St. Francis Retreat Center
P.O. Box 970
San Juan Bautista, CA 95045

Dear Berard,

I see by the list that Mel puts out that this is your 50th year in the Order. Please accept my congratulations, Berard.

As you recuperate at San Juan Bautista, I'm sure you have a lot of time to think about those 50 years. I would like to thank you for all you have done for the Order and for the Province. You have certainly been an important friar in the Province of St. Barbara. Thank you very, very much, for all you have done and for all you continue to do.

Please be assured of my prayers as your celebrate these 50 years.

Fraternally,



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Fax to Br. Berard Conolly, OFM

From: [REDACTED]

April 7, 1998

Berard,

As per our phone conversation:

Guadalupe Church, Santa Paula, California

1974 Duncan (John) MacDonell, OFM – this was concomitant with giving up San Roque in Santa Barbara.

Others who worked there: Raul Vera, Roberto Pegueros, Joseph Zermeno, Pedro Umana, Joaquin Moreno, Rene Juarez.

Those who helped out there on weekends: Ray Tintle, Andrés Rivero and the friars of Old Mission Santa Barbara.

Bishop Curry, at the Misa de despedida on the 29th of March – thanked the friars for the 25 years of work there. He praised the work of Fr. Rene for getting the people ready for the transition. The new pastor is Fr. Nelson Trinidad, a salvadoreño who works in the Archdiocesan tribunal.

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April 27, 1998

Bro. Berard Connolly, OFM
St. Francis Retreat Center
P.O. Box 970
San Juan Bautista, CA 95045

Dear Berard,

I just got back from the UCLAF meeting of all the provincials of Latin America, from Tijuana to Chile. The meeting was held in Guatemala. The Minister General was there and two General Definitors, the Vicar General and the friar in charge of Peace and Justice and Ecology. It was a very fine meeting.

While I was there I got a chance to see members of our Province. I visited with Martin Ibarra. In fact, Martin and two other friars from Guatemala and an indigenous woman from Quiche, gave a talk to the assembled provincials about their work in the area of the CPR, the *pueblo in resistencia* in the mountains of Caba. Martin is very happy. The friars of the Province of Guadalupe are very happy to have him there. It certainly has been a good experience for him.

I also heard so many wonderful comments about Elmer. Elmer helps every pastor and every religious house in the area of Guatemala City. If their plumbing is broken, if they need hot water, if they need new electrical systems, Elmer is there to help them. The friars speak very highly of Elmer and the work he has done in Guatemala.

I also met the Provincial of the Province of St. Francis Solano in Peru. He also speaks very highly of Gerard Saunders. In fact, he told me that recently he became aware of the fact that there is a little *aldea* named San Gerado after Gerard. It seems there is a very small community at a distance from Terra

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Blanca and the only way to get to it is by boat. Gerard has been visiting these people and, in thanksgiving for his visits, these people have named their village San Gerardo. What a tribute to Gerard Saunders.

From the other part of the world, the Minister General mentioned the fine work that John Summers has been doing as president of the Thailand Project, and publicly expressed his gratitude toward our province in supplying friars who volunteered to accompany John Summers in Thailand during this time of transition.

I left Guatemala very satisfied and quite proud of the way the brothers of the Province of Saint Barbara have been working in the missionary field.

Fraternally,

[REDACTED]

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ST. FRANCIS RETREAT

September 19, 1998

Dear [REDACTED]

Thanks for your phone cal last night.

I'm not sure if this has to be done with formality but I remember doing it before.

I ask to resign the office of Vicar of St. Francis Retreat community. Going to the Serra Wing should be reason enough!

I did what a vicar can do and caring for the few friars here has been a rewarding experience. They are good guys.

Fraternally,

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October 1, 1998

Bro. Berard Connolly, OFM
Old Mission Santa Barbara
2201 Laguna St.
Santa Barbara, CA 93105

Dear Berard,

At its most recent meeting at San Luis Rey, the Definitorium officially assigned you to Old Mission Santa Barbara with the responsibility of continuing to publish Westfriars and sending out friar obituaries and working on other communication projects of the Province.

Berard, please know how grateful I am for all you do for the Province. You are a wonderful story-teller and how blessed we are to have you. Be assured of my prayers.

Fraternally,



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ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF RESPONSIBILITIES REGARDING "NO HARASSMENT" POLICY FOR FRIARS AND LAY MANAGERS

As a friar or lay manager or supervisor at Santa Barbara, I acknowledge receipt of a copy of the Province's "No Harassment" Policy. I understand that the organization can be held responsible for any acts of harassment that I commit, condone, or tolerate. I also understand that I can be sued personally for any such acts.

I understand that if I know of, or have reason to know of any act of harassment or of the existence of a hostile, intimidating, or offensive work environment at this organization and I fail to report it to higher management, both the organization and I can be placed in jeopardy.

Therefore, I will immediately report any act of harassment and will take whatever action is necessary to correct the situation.

I have participated in the training program provided by the Province on preventing harassment. I have received and I understand the Province's organization's "No Harassment" Policy and agree to abide by it.

Bernard J. Connelley
Signature

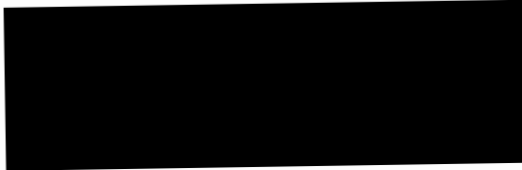
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September 10th, 1998

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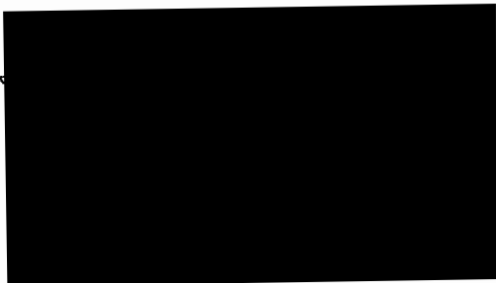
May the Lord give you peace!

I just finished talking with Br. Berard Connolly, OFM. He is ready to move to the Old Mission. He will be speaking with you shortly.

I spoke with him about the items you and I talked about, viz. that I want Berard to continue to be in charge of Westfriars and the obituaries for the men in the province. In order to do that he will need an office.

I was thinking – I don't want to micro-manage your house, but – he could probably take the provincial's room and the provincial/vicar, etc. could stay in the room Noel occupied once it is cleaned. That's something you'll decide. However, Berard will need room for the computer and printer he will bring with him.

Thanks to you and to the members of your community for the fine hospitality you showed on the occasion of Noel's funeral. It was exemplary! You're a good Guardian.



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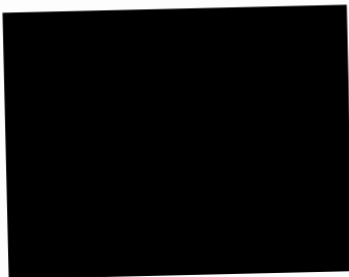
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Santa Barbara, CA 93105

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Woman says Marycliff cleric abused her

cannette White
writer

Spokane woman is suing a Franciscan priest and the Roman Catholic Diocese of Spokane, claiming the cleric sexually abused her and other students at the now-defunct Marycliff High School.

██████████ the former student, said in a lawsuit filed in Spokane County Superior Court that she was sexually abused, harassed and molested by Brother Berard Connelly at Marycliff High School, which she attended for 20 years ago.

Efforts to reach Hatcher and Connelly, who is a member of the order and now lives in Phoenix, Ariz., were unsuccessful Wednesday.

A former student sues the Diocese of Spokane, claiming sexual abuse.

Marycliff High School, an all-girls school, closed in 1979.

Connelly served as a teacher and Franciscan brother in charge of student affairs when ██████████ attended the school and St. Ann's parish from 1968 to 1973, says the complaint, which was filed Tuesday.

"Connelly continuously sexually abused, har-

assed and intimidated plaintiff and other students on parish premises and during parish-related activities and outings," the lawsuit states.

Parents and students complained about the teacher's behavior to his supervisors, but the complaints weren't properly investigated or reported, according to Hatcher's complaint.

"Defendants covered up and concealed Connelly's acts of sex abuse and harassment and complaints regarding his behavior," the lawsuit states.

In addition to Connelly, defendants in the suit include the Catholic Diocese of Spokane, the Catholic Bishop of Spokane, the Franciscan Friars, province of Santa Barbara, Calif., and the

Please see CHURCH SUIT, A8

The Spokesman-Review, Spokane, WA
December 3, 1992

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Church suit

There has been some investigation into it," Dunphy said, in reference to Hatcher's allegations. "Our superiors have talked to him about this. We are aware in general of the accusations."

He also attributes problems with relationships and the breakup of her marriage to the abuse, which led her to seek counseling.

Bishop Skylesad, who was not head of the diocese when the abuse allegedly occurred, said he will offer counseling to any victims.

Ann's said Larry Dunphy, of St. Francis order, is still in the cases we are aware of."

The Rev. Larry Dunphy, (the complaints) never reached the diocesan level. The only thing we can do is investigate the as far as I know," he said.

"It came for us as kind of like a bolt out of the blue," he said.

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the mass in going about the nation's biomedical research," said Patricia King, a Georgetown University professor and a member of the advisory committee.

Participants said the courage of Clark of Des Moines, Wash., and his wife, Una Loy, helped surgeons and scientists develop live-saving techniques in use today.

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VERIFICATIONS POLICY:

we pledges to report the news if you think we have made an error between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. days.

reported incorrectly in a photo caption with a Nov. 26 story about the Spokane Transit Authority's van service for the disabled.

LOTTERY NUMBERS:

Wednesday's winning "Triple Choice" lottery numbers: 902.
Winning Washington Lotto numbers: 6-26-31-36-38-47.
No winner. New jackpot: \$7 million.
Wednesday's winning Washington Keno numbers are: 1, 6, 7, 11, 21, 22, 29, 31, 32, 35, 37, 38, 49, 53, 56, 61, 63, 68, 72, 77.
Winning Powerball game numbers: 1-4-26-35-42.
Winning Powerball number: 28.
One winner (in Indiana).

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May 12, 1993

Dear [REDACTED]

This is in response of an earlier letter from you asking me to do certain things for my mental and physical health. I am sorry for the delay: it did take awhile to find the "support group."

1) I have a Spiritual Director with whom I believe I am open and I celebrate the sacramental gift of reconciliation. I see him once a month. Father Bartholomew Welsh, Mission San Antonio, is my director.

2) Weekly I spend an hour with Dr. Wendy Sinclair-Brown, Ph.D. I find her professional, inciteful and caring. I am honest with her and have confidence in her abilities as a psychologist. Dr. Sinclair-Brown works with Dr. Dennis St. Peter, MD, a psychiatrist. I am seeing Dr. St. Peter once a month when he monitors the medication prescribed for me, Prozac and Valporic Acid

3) Monday evening, May 10, I attended my first SLAA support group in Pacific Grove. I told Dr. Sinclair-Brown about the meeting. She is not all that sure I need this particular group as she questions the intensity of the "addiction" in my life. I will return for several Wednesday meetings, keeping in touch with Dr. Sinclair-Brown. The SLAA group may be what I need or it may at least be a springboard to other support groups. These types of groups aren't that easy to find but now I have an in and will take it from here. I think I am looking for an "Aloness Group," if such exists!

4) My physical health is monitored by Dr. Benedict Carota, MD, Hollister.

5) I believe the greatest help is Fr. Richard McManus to whom I confide and in whom I have the greatest confidence. I am very open in sharing with him.

Thanks, [REDACTED] for your often heroic support.

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February 10, 1993

Dear Berard

Peace. I hope you are doing well; I'm glad to hear that you are enjoying the retreats. You're good at it, and that makes a lot of sense. I am really glad you can help at San Juan and continue to do Westfriars.

I have heard from the Institute of Living and would ask you to abide by the following regulations while living and working at San Juan Bautista:

(1) You are to continue weekly outpatient therapy with a therapist recommended and contacted by Dr. Les Lothstein. You should make arrangements for this as soon as possible by contacting Dr. Lothstein if he has not already contacted you.

(2) A support group is also necessary: this should be worked out between yourself and your therapist. I think this needs to be as supportive and professional as possible, at times confrontive. The members of the support group should be ones dealing with their own sexual history and in recovery from it. I think it would be best to consult with Tom West as to which type of group would be most appropriate, and I presume we will be talking about this in the future to see that we take the best possible steps now.

(3) You must have a regular spiritual director; I would suggest meetings initially twice monthly, and then possibly monthly.

(4) Your monitor will be Fr. Richard McManus, with whom you should meet in an official capacity at least twice monthly to discuss your progress and continued addressing of the issues.

(5) You may have no contact with minors, either in a pastoral or personal capacity. Any departure from this should be discussed immediately with your therapist and Fr. Richard.

I would appreciate the details of your response to these requirements (numbers 1, 2, 3) as soon as possible.

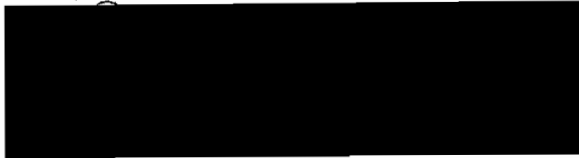
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Thanks for your cooperation, Berard. These restrictions are quite standard, and I know from our talks that you see them as important also. What I am happy about is your return to the province and the great contribution you have made and will continue to make.

God bless you. Please be assured of my continued support and prayers.

Fraternally



cc. Fr. Richard McManus, OFM

Brother Berard Connolly

1. Information contained in newspaper article as to his activities in Spokane; lawsuit settled in February 1994.
2. Entered into aftercare based on recommendations from Institute of Living, Hartford (confer letters of February 10, 1993 and March 12, 1993.) This course of therapy requirements ended.
3. Now considered to be doing well and in proper assignment. In self-monitoring program which is sufficient.

Based on Berard's assessment at Hartford, his progress in therapy, his current assignment in internal ministry and interaction with adults at St. Francis Retreat, his continuing vigilance in self-monitoring, and no evidence of an ongoing problem for many years, his course of therapy ended. His self-monitoring is good and considered sufficient. Battles mostly with physical and psychological health.

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