

MEMORANDUM

Re: Reverend John H. Mulholland, Assistant Pastor  
St. Anastasia, Newtown Square, Pa.

Father Mulholland came to the Chancery today to discuss his case. He explained some of the ramifications which had not been brought to light. However, these were very minor. In light of the group of people that came to the Chancery on November 3, I told him that we would have no difficulty allowing him to stay at St. Anastasia, since the amount of scandal given seemed to lie only with a very small minority. I further told him that, as far as we were concerned, it was merely a matter between himself and Dr. Zanni as to what the future will hold. Father seemed very grateful for the support and stated that he might want to leave the parish in May, anyway, but that it meant a whole lot to him not to be changed at an odd time in the year.

I then called Dr. Zanni to state what had happened and to fill him in on the information received by the group which came to the Chancery. Dr. Zanni, with this new information, decided that he would probably not ask Father Mulholland to go to Downingtown. Father Mulholland's final appointment with Dr. Zanni is Thursday, November 12.

Vincent M. Walsh  
Assistant Chancellor

November 5, 1970

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A November 5, 1970 memo by Assistant Chancellor Walsh after he learns that the parents of possible victims are ignorant of Fr. Mulholland's sadomasochistic history. The memo says Fr. Mulholland can stay at St. Anastasia because the "scandal" is limited to "a very small minority." GJ-1367