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November 28, 1983

Most Rev. John M. D'Arcy, D.D., S.T.D.
Regional Bishop - Lowell Region
Bishop's Office
70 Lawrence Street
Lowell, MA 01852

Dear Bishop John:

I am writing to follow-up correspondence concerning Rev. Richard Buntel. Father Buntel came to me on Saturday, November 19 at 2:00 P.M. I shared with him contents of your letter to me of November 1. He was upset and angry about the letter. He indicates to me that he told me the truth when he saw me July 30, 1983 indicating that whatever problem he had with alcoholism and drugs was passed and under control and he indicates he is very happy in Westford. He feels he is doing good work - that in no way is there any question of scandal or admiratio. He also indicates to me that he would be asking to see you about the contents of your letter. He wants also to interview the vicars and Father Oates to whom a copy of the letter was sent.

I concur with his desire to speak with you directly about the letter. I suggested to him at the same time that it was my understanding that you had serious problems about potential scandal relating not only to alcoholism and drugs but, more especially, to inappropriate activity about which we have previously discussed.

With best personal regards, I am

Sincerely in Christ,

Thomas V. Daily
Most Rev. Thomas V. Daily
Administrator

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