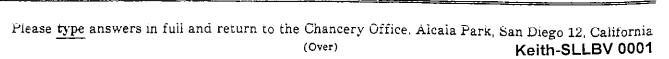
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May 23, 2003

Rev. Msgr. Steven Callahan Catholic Diocese of San Diego Pastoral Center P. O. Box 85728 San Diego, CA 92186

Dear Msgr. Callahan:

Thank you for all you help in arranging the services for Father Keith.

Please find enclosed a copy of the contract for Father's services arranged by Bob Schulte. The total was \$4,533.74. This amount represents our fees including a priest discount of \$540.00 and cash advancement incurred by us on behalf of the diocese.

Thank you again for intrusting Father Keith to our care.

Sincerely yours,

Alan Rabe

Manager Goodbody Mortuary

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May 7, 2003

Jane Barry Robert M. Epler Company 450 B Street, Suite 750 San Diego, CA 92101-8002

Dear Jane:

Father John C. Keith, an incardinated priest of the Diocese of San Diego who was retired as of January 1, 1990, died May 1, 2003.

Please take the appropriate action.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Reverend Monsignor Steven F. Callahan

Vicar General

SFC/dd



J. M. J.

#### NAZARETH HOUSE 6333 Rancho Mission Rd. San Diego, Calif. 92108-2099

Ph. 563-0480



November 29, 2001

CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF SAN DIEGO

Attn: Connie Smith P. O. Box 85728 San Diego, CA 92186-5728

RE: Fr. John Charles Keith.....#1602

Effective January 1, 2002, your monthly residential room and board rate will be \$1,350.00.

No doubt you are aware of the soaring utility costs, employee wage and benefit increases, cost of living changes and overall maintenance increases, etc. You probably know our prices are still much lower than others in the health care field.

Please acknowledge your acceptance of the above change by signing this notification and returning it to the Administration Office, in the enclosed envelope, no later than December 15, 2001.

Thank you for your cooperation and the privilege of serving you here at Nazareth House.

Nazareth House Administration

Acknowledged and Agreed: Magn. Steven Callahan

Date: 12/3/01

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From:

Steve Callahan

To:

Connie Smith

Subject:

Re: Father John Keith

Let's go ahead with the plan to have Fr. Keith move to Nazareth House. We'll supplement whatever he cannot afford to pay for living at Nazareth.

>>> Connie Smith 03/01 2:09 PM >>>

Msgr., Father Keith has an opportunity to move into the Nazareth House in the next three weeks.

The rent at NH is \$1250 per month. His retirement is \$1400 per mo. As you can see there is a problem. I talked to Robert Schulltie, Father John's nephew about the rent problem. If he can be placed at NH he won't have rent, utilities, and food to pay for, that is included. Robert indicated that Father could probably pay ½ of the rent now and as he pays off other bills should be able to pay about 2/3's of the rent. He has a car that he can't drive and will be selling it. So there is more income that he can apply to the NH for his care and bill. It would take a few months to get every thing in line to know exactly how much assistance he would need every month.

I don't know what can be done to help Father John get into NH, but it would be better for him. He will be able to get proper care for his diabetes problem. Due to his eye sight ( he is legally blind) he can't take his blood tests, for example. At NH the medical assistance would be there for him to have a better quality of life.

Also, he could be transferred into the infirmary, etc., in case of any complications he may have. Which would save the Diocese from placing him in assisted care ( for example ).

His Nephew's phone number is Robert has been helping Father John with his bills and managing other things. Father's phone number is 619-232-3206.

I wanted to give you as much detail as possible to help you make a decision. If you need more information please let me know. I know decisions can't be made in a minute.

I have told Father John that I would send you a letter with as much detail as I could.

Unfortunately, I will be on vacation next week but would be happy to help in any way I can.

Sincerely, Connie Smith





December 20, 1999

Rev. John Keith 1551 Third Avenue # 610 San Diego, CA 92101

Dear Father Keith:

We have been informed that you have an outstanding bill at Pharmerica Pharmacy. We would be glad to assist you with your pharmacy co-payments or with this particular bill.

The diocese has resources for the pastoral care of priests which can assist a priest who has medical bills beyond what is covered by his insurance and which he cannot pay from his own resources. Please contact my office at (858) 490-8310 if you would like to make arrangements for assistance with your medical bills.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Reverend Monsignor Steven F. Callahan

Steve Callahan

Chancellor

SFC/sp



March 22, 1991

Dear Father Keith:

I am writing to confirm your appointment as Chaplain of the Daughters of St. Paul, effective March 13, 1991.

Thank you for your life and ministry as a priest of the Diocese of San Diego.

I pray that the grace of your ordination will continue to bear fruit and that "God who has begun the good work in you will bring it to fulfillment".

Fraternally in our Lord

Robert H. Brom Bishop of San Diego

Reverend John C. Keith 1551 Third Avenue, #610 San Diego, California 92101

RHB/rs

### Diocese of San Diego Office For Apostolic Ministry

March 13, 1991

Sr. Mary Martha Moss, FSP Daughters of St. Paul 1570 Fifth Avenue San Diego, California 92101

Dear Sister:

This is to acknowledge your letter of February 20, 1991, addressed to His Excellency, Most Reverend Robert H. Brom. After reading your letter, Bishop Brom has asked me to respond in his behalf.

In answer to your first request, the Bishop would be happy to grant permission for Father John C. Keith to serve as Chaplain to your Convent celebrating daily Mass for you.

Secondly, permission is granted for the privilege of exposing the Blessed Sacrament for adoration as you requested.

Finally, the Bishop would schedule an evening with the Sisters, but because of his busy schedule, that will have to wait until the summer months.

Again, thank you for your letter and all that you do in the Diocese.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Rev. Msgr. Daniel J. Dillabough, STD, JCL

Chancellor

DJD/rs

RETURN TO:

Rev. Msgr. Daniel J. Dillabough P.O. Box 80428 San Diego, California 92138-0428 12

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Address 1551- 3d Ave., # 610

City San Diego 92101

Phone 338-9487

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Post Office Box 80428, San Diego, California 92138-0428 / Telephone (619) 574-6300 / Fax (619) 574-0962

### Diocese of San Diego Office For Apostolic Ministry

#### MEMORANDUM

TO: Priests in the Diocese of San Diego

FROM: Msgr. Mark A. Campbell

DATE: February 7, 1990

RE: Clergy Personnel Assignments

The Diocesan Clergy Personnel Board met with Bishop Maher, Bishop Brom and Bishop Chavez on Tuesday, February 6, 1990.

The following assignments were agreed upon by the Personnel Board:

- 1. Monsignor Lawrence M. Purcell will become Pastor of St. James Parish and St. Leo Mission, Solana Beach, effective March 1, 1990.
- Monsignor Jeremiah O'Sullivan will begin a sabbatical leave, effective March 1, 1990 and ending July 1, 1990. Monsignor O'Sullivan plans to do a thirty-day retreat and participate in some renewal programs. He will be available for a new assignment within the Diocese on July 1, 1990.
- 3. Father Jack Keith has retired (for health reasons) as Chaplain of Grossmont, Alvarado and Kaiser Hospitals, effective January 1, 1990. At the present time, we are seeking the services of a priest who will undertake the Chaplaincy of the above-listed hospitals, either on a part-time or full-time basis.

Father Keith's ministry in our diocese throughout his many years of dedicated service is deeply appreciated. We wish him ad multos annos in leisurely retirement.

4. Father Kenneth Del Priore has been granted permission by Bishop Maher to terminate his assignment at Marian Catholic High School. During the coming weeks, Father Ken will continue to conduct workshops related to Liturgical Ministries scheduled by him through the Office of Liturgy and Prayer. He will then begin a mini-sabbatical. Upon completion of his sabbatical, he will be offered a new assignment.

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December 13, 1989

Rev. John C. Keith 8589 La Mesa Blvd. La Mesa, CA 92041

Dear John:

Since it is your desire to retire on January 1, 1990, I am granting you permission to do so.

As you know, I am very grateful for your ministry at Little Flower Haven as well as Grossmont Hospital, and I am sure that you will continue to do what your health will allow you to in the future.

With all good wishes, I am

Sincerely in Christ,

+Leo T. Maher Bishop of San Diego

LTM:ea

cc: Rev. Msgr. Thomas Prendergast Chairman, Pension Administrative Committee

Robert M. Epler Company Attn: Mrs. Jane Barry

E. Aguilar Notary

November 29, 1989

Rev. John C. Keith 8589 La Mesa Blvd. La Mesa, CA 92041

Dear John:

since you will be retiring on March 1, 1990, and your replacement will take over your residence at that time, and also the work at Grossmont Hospital, I wish to express my appreciation and gratitude for your years of service and ministry. I am sure, even in your retirement you will continue to make a very definite contribution because of your great priestly dedication. As long as your health will allow you, we hope that you will be able to assist other priests in their great burden of ministry.

With renewed thanks and appreciation, I am

Sincerely in Christ,

+Leo T. Maher Bishop of San Diego

LTM:ea

### Diocese of San Diego Office For Apostolic Ministry

November 13, 1989

Reverend John C. Keith 8589 La Mesa Boulevard La Mesa, California 92041

Dear Father Keith:

Enclosed please find a letter dated November 8, 1989, addressed to the Catholic Diocese of San Diego. Because the letter is unsigned and without return address, it is neither possible nor appropriate for me to provide a reply.

Given the nature of the letter's content, however, it does seem appropriate to forward it to you for your information, as it is possible that someone impersonating you is scandalizing the public by his lack of courtesy.

Confident that you will give this letter the attention that it deserves. I am

Sincerely in Christ,

Reverend Monsignor Richard F. Duncanson

Chancellor/Moderator of the Curia

RFD/rs Enclosure

BCC: Msgr. Mark A. Campbell

November 8, 1989

Catholic Diocese of San Diego Alcala Park San Diego, CA

- I would like to file a formal complaint against one of your employees.
- I happened upon a scene in a local bank yesterday that has me seriously doubting the Christianity of the people leading our Church.
  - I am referring to John Keith, who claims to be a Roman Catholic priest. He was sitting at a desk at my bank shouting and demanding to speak to the manager. He then shouted and belittled both the manager and the employees who were trying desperately to calm him. He threatened to have an employee fired for not doing a transaction for him. I asked the employee who was neiping me to find out who the customer was, and when I learned he was a priest, I was shocked! and embarrassed to admit that I am a Roman Catholic!
  - I have never received anything but courteous and efficient service from every employee in that bank, and I am sure that this person was being completely unreasonable for the bank officials to not want to go against their policies for him.
  - I only hope I am wrong, and this man is not a priest in our Diocese.

Written on behalf of the poor employees who had to be civil to and let this horrible person curse and perate them.

November 10, 1987

Rev. John C. Keith 8589 La Mesa Boulevard La Mesa, CA 92041

Dear Father Keith:

You will find enclosed a form which you are asked to fill out and return to me at the Diocesan Office, regarding your funeral instructions and general information in the event of your death. The information may be placed in a sealed envelope, and will be opened only in the event of death. It is necessary that each of us responsibly aid those who must administer our affairs upon our demise.

Also, please be reminded that all Diocesan priests are required to have an original will and codicils thereto on file in the Diocesan Office. Should you have an outdated will on file, upon your direction it will be returned to you. The enclosed information will be placed with your will.

Please be assured of my gratitude for your cooperation in this matter. Do not hesitate to contact me if I can provide any assistance.

Fraternally yours in Christ,

Rev. Mark A. Campbell Vicar for Clergy Personnel Adjutant Judicial Vicar

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### Diocese of San Diego Office For Apostolic Ministry

December 10, 1986

Dear

Please find enclosed a copy of the letter which I received from Father Keith regarding your recent hospital visit.

I trust this will explain the matter to you, and I apologize for any inconvenience or misunderstanding that may have occurred. Thank you for calling this to my attention. I hope and pray that you have recovered from your surgery.

Please be assured of my best wishes for you and your family during this Holiday Season.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Rev. Msgr. I.Brent Eagen Chancellor/Curia Moderator

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cc Rev. John Keith

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Rev. John C. Keith 8589 La Mesa Blvd. La Mesa, CA 92041

December 7, 1986

Rev. Msgr. I. Brent Eagen P.O. Box 80428 San Diego, CA 92138

Dear Msgr. Eagen:

Please excuse the delay in replying to your letter of Nov. 7th, but until a few days ago my eyes were not up to such close work as typing. In the last few days however there has been a marvelous improvement.

Concerning the letter of Hr. Jose Pumar, postmarked Mov.4, 1956, may I make the following comments:

Mr. Pumar was admitted to Kaiser Hospital at 0:00 A.L., Monday, Oct. 27th, and had surgery the same day. Although I was there that day his admission had not yet been recorded on the hospital print out, therefore I did not see him on Honday.

Tuesday, the 28th, was one of my regular days off, but that evening around 5pm T went to Raiser to meet Rev. Warren williams — the Presbyterian chaplain — who was going with another priest and me to hear Cardinal Bernardin speak at UCSD. At that time I checked my box to see whether there was anything needing my immediate attention, and I found a note that Mr. Pumar in 5310h wished to see me, so before I left I went to his room accompanied by Rev. Williams. Rather than being "reluctant" I went out of my way to see him.

explained that as I was not on duty I had no Hosts, but would bring him Communion on Thursday. I went on to emplain that since I was alone I tried to split my days off, but that week it was impossible since I had 2 funerals the following day (Med.). Her. Williams also assured him that I tried to see all Catholic patients every day that I was at the hospital. Hr. Yumar's assertion that I told him I would be too busy to return is simply untrue, a fact which her. Liffliams can also corresponds.

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Friday the sisters have labediction at 1::00 .... and the usually arrive at Enizer in the afternoon. Fr. bunar's root was the first I visited, but he had checked out.

I hope these facts clarify the situation.

Sincerely in Larist,

// /(sev.) John J. Keita

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### Diocese of San Diego Office For Apostolic Ministry

November 7, 1986

Dear

This is to acknowledge your letter postmarked November 4, which I received today.

I regret very much the incident you describe in your letter, and I will question the parties involved in order to try to give you some explanation.

Please be assured of my best wishes for your continued good health.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Rev. Msgr. I.Brent Eagen Chancellor/Curia Moderator

IBE:em

cc Rev. John Keith

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Den Meg. Eagan,

Secently I was hospitalized at Kaiser for removal of a typoid teemor. In the day following surgery my wife tried in vain to contact a priest at the hospital. She eventually contacted a protestant minister who brought a reluctant Fr. John Keith to my room. He claimed he had no hosts with him and wa therefore unable to administer the sucrament tom When I requested he return sometime during the week to administer Communion, he pleaded that would be too busy. He eventually made a vague promise to return on Thursday or Friday, however, & rever did return.

I have been a practicing Catholic all of my life and am a member of the Knight of Columbus. Although when my wife contacted our parish, Blusse therament, they also sent moone. Evertually she Contacted Extradinary minister, Burbara Sullian, who cam with the sacrament. If not for her I would have felt totally abandoned and rejected by my church my fast was sady disappointing to me at a stressful time, and I would appreciate a letter or phosphase call from your explaining lefactly why this happeness call from your explaining lefactly why this happeness

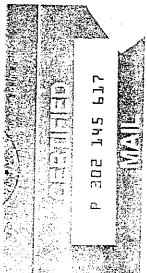
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November 23, 1983

Rev. John C. Keith 8589 La Mesa Blvd. La Mesa CA 92041

Dear Father Keith:

I have arranged with Rev. Patrick J. Grace to relieve you for two days each week on your days off. These days will be Tuesday and Wednesday. Father Grace will be available for duty from Monday at 12 midnight until Wednesday at 12 midnight.

This will facilitate the pastoral care of the Catholic patients at Alwarado, Grossmont, and Kaiser hospitals.

Bishop Maher has approved this arrangement.

With every best wish, I am

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Rev. Mark A. Campbell Director, Clergy Personnel

MAC:mdw

cc: Rev. Patrick J. Grace

March 15, 1983

#### MEMORAHUHM

TO: Rev. Mark A. Campbell

FROM: Most Rev. Leo T. Maher

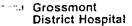
RE: Rev. John C. Keith

While it seems a simple matter of covering Grossmont Hospital for Father Keith's day off, the pastors will make this a major problem since the Hospital is so vast and the demands are so many. Most of them feel overworked already.

It would seen if you had the cooperation of everyone involved it could be handled, especially if Father Dennmis Barry would become active.

There is also a suggestion that maybe Father Salca could be responsible. That is a possibility, if his health permits.

In the long run, I believe they would be willing to put up another salary for a second priest. This could also be a possibility.



East San Diego County Regional Medical Center

P.O. Box 158 La Mesa, California 92041 (714) 465-0711

March 9, 1983

The Rev. Mark Campbell Director of Priest Personnel Catholic Diocese of San Diego P.O. Box 8428 San Diego, CA 92138

Dear Father Campbell:

We have a serious concern regarding Catholic Chaplaincy services at Grossmont District Hospital which we need to bring to your attention for timely resolution.

The problem has been evident for a long time, but appears to be worsening and was made visible in a most dramatic fashion early in the morning on February 22. A night nursing supervisor tried in vain for over two hours while making twelve phone calls to contact a parish priest to minister to the spiritual needs of a young couple who had experienced a still birth. Fr. Keith was eventually contacted to baptize the baby, even though it was his day off. Other examples of emergency situations when a priest could not be reached are attached to this letter.

Grossmont District Hospital is the third largest acute medical facility in San Diego County with 400 beds and generally has a very high patient census. On an average day, fifty Catholic patients are hospitalized here, many of whom are not affiliated with a local parish. Spiritual care programs are highly valued and heavily utilized as a result of a very active volunteer chaplain's program which is supervised by the Religious Advisory Committee. One of the major specializations within the chaplain's program is the Emergency Care Chaplains service. Emergency Care Chaplains have special training and respond to code and trauma situations in the Emergency Room, critical care units and Post-Partum on an "around-the-clock" basis.

We recognize that Fr. Keith is the Catholic chaplain for three area hospitals; therefore, it seems necessary that at times he receive assistance from parish priests in the East County area.

Emergency requests for a Catholic chaplain are not adequately being met during Father Keith's days off. Perhaps an "on-call" schedule could be developed with individual priests agreeing to be available for emergency calls on a regularly-scheduled basis. A priest would also be needed as a back-up to Fr. Keith during the other days of the week to be available to respond in the event he is already involved in a crisis situation.

The present situation cannot be tolerated much longer. We do not want our Catholic patients and their family members to be without the assistance and spiritual comfort that only the presence of a Catholic priest can bring. Nor do we want adverse publicity to be directed toward the Catholic Church and its clergy. We are prepared to explore this problem and to formulate a plan which will be mutually beneficial.

We look forward to hearing from you regarding this problem. Any response can be directed to Mr. Douglas Smith, Director of Social Services. He can be reached Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at 465-0711, Ext. 644.

Sincerely,

Chaplain Aaron Gottesman Chairman

Religious Advisory Committee

Chaplain Elizabeth Ramsey Coordinator

Emergency Care Chaplain Frogram

Douglas M. Smith, Director

Department of Social Services

cc: R. Dahlgren

Fr. J. Keith

E. Maguire

Example 2 - The standard answer from parish secretaries, rectory housekeepers, and priests is -- call the assigned priest. Who is the assigned priest when Father Keith is not available and/or is taking his regular days off each week?

Example 3 - 8 p.m. - An elderly man in the Medical Intensive Care Unit died. His wife requested a priest. The nurse called PABX; PABX called me (chaplain on call) to see if I could get a priest.

I talked with the MICU nurse. She said she hated to keep questioning the grieving woman as to parish home, etc. I said call Father Keith. They said they already had and he said to call the parish priest as it was his day off and he couldn't come in because of another commitment.

I talked to PABX and asked them to start down the list of churches and call for a priest. They made several calls with no positive results. They called me back on the pager. I then called MICU. The nurse said the crying woman couldn't take all the confusion and said "forget it" and went home. I checked the next day. They were visiting from San Bernardino.

Example 4 - 10 p.m. - rainy night. Two 14-year-old girls, under the influence of alcohol, took without permission a family car, crashed and were brought to Grossmont. By 11 p.m. one girl had been released with only minor injuries but the other girl was in SICU, unconscious. Several doctors talked with the parents and told them their daughter could not live. The parents went into the Meditation Room to pray. When they came out, the father was screaming, "get a priest, get a priest." I asked what parish they were from. The man said "D---you, woman, don't ask questions, get a priest, any priest." (I knew that Father Keith was on his day off.)

I called two churches and got no reply. I then called the third church. Father ---- talked with me. I requested a priest for the annointing of a dying teenager. He told me to call the priest assigned by the Diocese for hospital work. I told him it was that priest's day off. He asked the patient's name, I told him and he said he didn't know her. Then he said he was "all the way in El Cajon and it was raining and could I try to get someone else." I told him his was the third church contacted. He said he couldn't come but he would try to send someone. I stressed the urgency of the request.

Funeral services for this young woman were later conducted in the parish of Father ------ Keith-SLLBV 0028

#### CASE EXAMPLES

Example 1 - I was the Emergency Care Chaplain on duty. I was called at 5:10 a.m. by the nursing supervisor who stated to me that a priest was needed to baptize a stillborn and comfort the parents; and because of "past difficulties" in locating a priest, she thought it best to call me for assistance.

I told the supervisor to contact the parish priest of the family. I was told they did not have or know a priest by name. I then said to call any of the parish priests and ask one to come. If they could not get a priest, call Father Keith. (Father Keith has said that even on his day off, if he is home and it is an emergency, he would respond.)

At 7 a.m. I was paged again while driving on the freeway. Father Keith had been called but apparently was not informed that it was a serious emergency. He therefore suggested that St. Martin's be contacted. I stated that I would manage the now-stressful situation.

At 7:20 I was paged again. I said I was enroute to the hospital and would contact the nurse.

At 7:45 I phoned Father Keith. He said he had been called earlier and was unaware of the graveness of the situation. He said he had Mass at 8:30 but would come in immediately. He arrived at the hospital a few minutes later.

\*NOTE: Memo received by director of social services regarding same incident referred to in Example 1:

"I am concerned about the lack of response on the part of a Catholic Priest when a patient whose baby had died requested one. When I arrived at 0700 today the night supervisor reported that he had been trying for over 2 hours, and made 12 phone calls in an attempt to get someone. I then placed a call to Elizabeth Ramsey, who was gracious as always, and she came in and called a priest who arrived, stayed 2½ minutes, looking at his watch constantly, and initially refused to baptize the baby as the nurse had already done so. This was upsetting to the family, so the priest did finally do something to please them. This episode made the hospital look bad, as the family "couldn't understand why the hospital couldn't call a priest for them". Let me add my appreciation to Chaplain Ramsey who helped out when I just didn't know where else to turn.

\*Father Keith later explained that the above memo contained several inaccuracies. We were quite satisfied with the explanation.



#### Diocesan Office for Apostolic Ministry/Alcala Park

June 14, 1982

Rev. John C. Keith St. Martin of Tours Church 7710 El Cajon Boulevard La Mesa, Calif. 92041

Dear Father Keith:

I am pleased to appoint you Chaplain for Little Flower Haven, Grossmont, Alvarado and Kaiser Hospitals effective August 1, 1982.

You will have residence in Little Flower Haven, 8585 La Mesa Boulevard, La Mesa 92041.

With best wishes in this appointment,

I am

Sincerely in Christ,

+Leo T. Maher Bishop of San Diego

cc: Very Rev. Donal Sheahan, V.F.
Sister M. Joanna, Little Flower Haven
Administrator, Grossmont Hospital
Administrator, Alvarado Hospital
Administrator, Kaiser Hospital



#### Diocesan Office for Apostolic Ministry / Alcala Park

May 18, 1981

Rev. John & Keith St. Charles Borromeo Church 2802 Cadiz Street San Diego, Ca. 92110

Dear Father Keith:

I am pleased to appoint you Associate

Pastor to:

Very Rev. Donal C. Sheahan, V.F. St. Martin of Tours Church 7710 El Cajon Boulevard La Mesa, Ca. 92041

effective June 17,1981.

With best wishes in this appointment, I

am

Sincerely in Christ,

+Leo T. Maher Bishop of San Diego

cc: Very Rev. Donal C. Sheahan, V.F. Rev. Robert T. Callahan

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September 11, 1980

Rev. John C. Keith St. Charles Borromeo Parish 2802 Cadiz Street San Diego, California

Dear Father Keith:

The seminar in reference to the National Conference on Alternatives to Planned Parenthood should be very helpful to you in your work in the diocese, especially advising and assisting the pro-life program. I am, therefore, authorizing you to attend and I am enclosing a check in the amount of \$700.00 for your expenses. This will take care of your plane fare, your hotel room, your tuition and your meals.

Please keep me informed concerning how interesting the sessions were.

With all good wishes, I am

Sincerely in Christ,

+Leo T. Maher Bishop of San Diego

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May 28, 1980

Ms. Rosemary Gunsett
President
Right to Life Council of San Diego County
P. O. Box 1012
Solana Beach, California 92075

Dear Ms. Gunsett:

Thank you so very much for your thoughtful letter of May 10, 1980, in which you acquaint me with the fine work of Father John Keith and that you wish to honor him. Certainly he should be encouraged and your thoughtfulness will do just that.

While I express my appreciation in this matter, I likewise wish to express to you again my gratitude for the splendid work you are doing in promoting Right to Life. You are influential and effective, and the people are listening. Congratulations:

With all good wishes, I am

Sincerely in Christ,

+Leo T. Maher Bishop of San Diego

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# RIGHT TO LIFE

COUNCIL OF SAN DIEGO COUNTY

P.O. BOX 1012 SOLANA BEACH, CA 92075 714-560-7853

May 10, 1980

Very Reverend Leo T. Maher Diocesan Office for Apostolic Ministry/Alcala Park P.O. Box 80428 San Diego, CA 92138



My dear Bishop Maher:

There is a priest who has been on the front lines with us in defending the right to life of the unborn. He has been there everytime he was needed, even though he was given very short notice in most cases. Twice he has given up his days off to publically speak out against the disrespect for life and it's abuse. From Right to Life Sundays, picketing anti-life forces to speaking out against the proposed sex education teacher training program, he has been there in his clerical collar, giving us "moral" support.

Right to Life would like to take this time to commend his efforts and to share with you our heartfelt thanks for his superior commitment.

Faithfully yours,

Rosemary Gunsett, President

To John Keith Q1. Chules Barrones 2802 Cadiz Q.L. 92110



4375 Voltaine St. San Dungs, Calif. April 16, 1980

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## Diocesan Office for Apostolic Ministry/Alcala Park

December 14, 1977

Rev. John C. Keith St. Joseph Church 505 East Mountain View Barstow, Calif. 92311

Dear Father Keith:

I am pleased to appoint you Associate

Pastor to:

Rev. William A. Kraft St. Charles Borromeo Church 2802 Cadiz Street San Diego, California 92110

effective January 5, 1978.

With best wishes in this new appointment,

I am

Sincerely in Christ,

+Leo T. Maher

Bishop of San Diego

cc: Rev. William A. Kraft

# FROM GRIMES RELIGIOUS SUPPLY

SAN BERNARDINO, CALIF. 92405 333 WEST HIGHLAND AVE. (714) 883-5333

SUBJECT:

Dear Monsignor Eagen:

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DATE:

8-5-77

We have had an account with Father John Keith in the amount of \$75.66 unpaid since November of 1975. The last time we talked with him was in June and he promised to mail the check.

of his account. We would greatly appreciate your help in having him take care

Thank you.

PLEASE REPLY TO

SIGNED

REPLY Dear Mr. Grimes:

payment for you. debt has not been paid during that time, please write me again and if he has been released from the hospital, I will attempt to obtain present time he is hospitalized for at least three months. If the I regret very much the past due debt of Father Keith; however, at the August 25, 1977 SIGNED Thank you for your understanding.

GRAYARC CONINC., BROOKLYN, N. Y. 11232

COSSIGNATION NOT NOT AND SHIP

March 7, 1977

Rev. John C. Keith St. Francis de Sales Church 4268 Lime Street Riverside, Calif. 92501

Dear Father Keith:

This is the second notice I have sent you regarding this bill.

Please pay this bill immediately.

Fraternally yours in Christ,

Rev. Msgr. I. Brent Eagen Chancellor

cc: Rev. Raymond C. Kirk Rev. Francis L. Filias, SJJ.

enclosures

Rev. Msgr. I. Brent Eagan, Chancellor Diocese of San Diego 10818 San Diego Mission Road San Diego, CA 92108

From

(REV.) FRANCIS L. FILAS, S. J.

Loyola University

6525 NORTH SHERIDAN ROAD

CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60626

Phone: (312) 274-3000

cc: Rev. John Keith, St. Francis de Sales Church, 4268 Lime St., Riverside, CA 92501

SUBJECT ACTA Foundation invoice A 0202 dated April 12, 1976.

Reminders sent Fr. Keith: August 9, November 20, December 13.

Amount due: Originally, \$19.83. Office charges for bookkeeping: \$6.00 extra.

Dear Monsignor Eagan:

I deeply regret I have to appeal to diocesan authority for this 10-month old bill, originally for \$19.83, concerning which I wrote you on December 13 and you wrote Father Keith on December 23. ACTA Foundation (the distributor of my filmstrips) has still not heard anything from Father Keith. The overdue charges of \$6.00 are minimal, in the hope that we eventually break even if and when this obligation is paid. The order came by long distance; the girl at ACTA rushed a UPS premium shipment in order to do what was asked. In these circumstances, it seems pure fraud that it is not paid. Please advise if I have justifiable recourse to appeal to the diocese, to a complaint board, or to St. Joseph Church in Barstow, since Father Keith evidently refuses to honor his word? Regretfully -- very much so -- SIGNED

Producer, FILAS FILMSTRIPS & CASSEITES

DATE

SIGNED

December 23, 1976

Rev. John C. Keith St. Francis de Sales Church 4268 Lime Street Riverside, Calif. 92501

Dear Father Keith:

You will find enclosed a memo which I received from Rev. Francis L. Filas, S.J. regarding an order placed while you were still in Barstow.

Kindly pay this bill immediately.

My best wishes for you during this holy season.

Fraternally yours in Christ,

Rev. Msgr. I. Brent Eagen Chancellor

enclosure

cc: Rev. Francis L. Filas, S.J.

Rev. Msgr. I. Brent Eagen, Chancellor Diocese of San Diego 10818 San Diego Mission Road San Diego, CA 92108

(REV.) FRANCIS L. FILAS, S. J. Loyola University 6525 NORTH SHERIDAN ROAD

CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60626 Phone: (312) 274-3000

CC: Rev. John Keith

SUBJECT Bill for \$19.83 overdue from April 12, 1976, to ACTA Foundation, 4848 N. Clark, Chicago, Ill. 60640. DATED cember 13, 1976 FOLD

Payment due from Rev. John Keith, St. Joseph Church, 505 E. Mountain View, Barstow 92311

Dear Monsignor Eagen:

I regret to be forced to bother you with a question of collecting on an extremely overdue debt, but ACTA Foundation (the distributor of my filmstrips and cassettes) has asked me for payment of its charges, plus the fact that I have already had to pay earlier charges of production. A reminder was sent to Father Keith on August 9; a final notice on November 20, with an indication that we would be forced to take the matter to diocesan authorities. Father Keith had phoned ACTA Foundation last April and asked for premium rush delivery on the filmstrip SHROUD OF TURIN. ACTA has not heard from him since.

In view of the recent letter of the Catholic bishops on the requirements of just obligations, might you request Father Keith to pay ACTA Foundation at once? Thank you.

DATE

SIGNED

June 10, 1976

Mr. Clifton W. Lesley Credit Department Barstow Community Hospital 555 South Seventh Street Barstow, California 92311

Dear Mr. Lesley:

This is in reply to your letter of June 9, 1976, addressed to His Excellency, the Most Reverend Leo T. Maher, Bishop of San Diego, concerning the account of Father John C. Keith, formerly associate pastor of St. Joseph Catholic Church, Barstow.

Because your letter arrived after Bishop Maher's departure for Rome where he was invited to ordain the priesthood candidates at the North American Caollege, he is unable to reply personally at this time. In his absence, however, I have sent a copy of your letter and this reply to Father Keith, who is now associate pastor of St. Francis de Sales Church, Riverside. I am confident that if Father Keith has not already taken care of this matter, he will do so shortly.

Sincerely yours,

Reverend Richard F. Duncanson Secretary to the Bishop

cc: Reverend John C. Keith

# BARSTOW COMMUNITY HOSPITAL

555 SOUTH SEVENTH STREET BARSTOW, CALIFORNIA 92311

JAMES R. HARRELL ADMINISTRATOR

PHONE (714) 256-1761

June 9, 1976
Bishop Leo T. Maher
San Diego Diocesan Office
Alcala Park
P.O. Box 80428
San Diego, Calif. 92138

Dear Bishop Maher,

I am enclosing a copy of a delinquent account we have on Father John C. Keith of the St. Joseph Catholic Church here in Barstow.

We have made several attempts to collect this account including the enclosed copy of a letter sent on March 5, 1976.

We would appreciate your immediate attention to this matter as the account is now over one year old. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Clifton i.W. Lesley Credit Department JAMES R. HARRELL ADMINISTRATOR

March 5, 1976

Mr. John C. Keith 555 E. Mountain View Barstow, CA 92311

Dear Mr. Keith,

An Audit of our records at Barstow Community Hospital indicate that you have a delinquent bill in the amount of \$36.00

I am sure you will want to give this matter your immediate attention because this account is being processed for Small Claims Court, which will be more costly to you if not paid immediately.

You may arrange for payments if this would help, but we do need to hear from you within seven (7) days, and will appreciate your full cooperation in resolving this obligation.

Sincerely,

Clifton W. Lesley Credit Department

CWL: cd

May 24, 1976

Mrs. Karen M. Perfect Leaflet Missal Company 1999 Shepard Road Saint Paul, Minn. 55116

Dear Mrs. Perfect:

I am sending a copy of your letter dated May 14, 1976 to Rev. John Keith at his current address and asking him to take care of this obligation immediately.

I am sorry for your difficulty in collecting from Father Keith and sincerely hope he will make prompt payment.

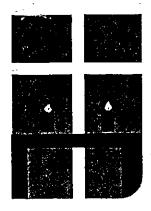
His address after June 1st will be:

St. Francis de Sales Church 4268 Lime Street Riverside, California 92501

Sincerely yours,

Rev. Msgr. I. Brent Eagen Chancellor

cc: Rev. John Keith



# THE LEAFLET MISSAL

## Liturgical Publishers

1999 SHEPARD ROAD, SAINT PAUL, MINNESOTA 55116

(612) 698-8122

May 14, 1976

Rev. Msgr. I. Brent Eagen 10818 San Diego Mission Rd. San Diego, Calif. 92108

Dear Msgr. Eaggen:

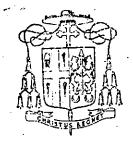
On October 15, 1975, we received an order for miscellaneous books from Rev. John C. Keith from St. Joseph Church in Barstow. Since that date we have sent the order and have been billing him for the items he ordered. We have heard nothing from him and are wondering if you have a different address then the one listed below.

We would appreciate any information and/or assistance from you regarding this overdue account. Thanking you; we remain,

Sincerely,

(Mrs) Karen M. Perfect LEAFLET MISSAL COMPANY

St. Joseph Church Rev. John C. Keith 505 East Mountain View Barstow, Calif. 92311



## Diocesan Office for Apostolic Ministry/Alcala Park

May 13, 1976

Rev. John C. Keith St. Joseph Church 505 East Mountain View Earstow, Calif. 92311

Dear Father Keith:

I am pleased to appoint you Associate

Pastor to:

Rev. Raymond C. Kirk St. Francis de Sales Church 4268 Lime Street Riverside, California 92501

effective June 1, 1976.

With best wishes in your new appointment,

I am

Sincerely in Christ,

+Leo T. Maher Bishop of San Diego

cc: Very Rev. William S. Hart, V.F. Rev. Raymond C. Kirk



# Diocesan Office for Apostolic Ministry/Alcala Park

April 14, 1976

Rev. John C. Keith St. Joseph Church 505 East Mountain View Barstow, Calif. 92311

Dear Father Keith:

I am pleased to appoint you Associate Pastor

to:

Very Rev. Donald S. Webber St. George Church 325 West E Street Ontario, California 91761 Juriller

effective April 30, 1976

With best wishes in your new appointment, I

am

Sincerely in Christ

+Leo T. Maher Bishop of San Diego

cc: Very Rev. Donald S. Webber Very Rev. William S. Hart, V.F. July 7, 1971

Reverend John Keith St. Joseph Church 505 E. Mt. View Barstow, Calif. 92311

Dear Father Keith:

A recent audit of the Diocesan Financial Records, indicates that there is still remaining a balance of \$920.00 due on the personal loan which you made with the Diocese.

Inasmuch as these loans are made for your benefit without interest, we would like to have some indication of when you could begin repaying it in convenient monthly installments, or through a term endowment insurance policy.

Hoping to hear from you in the near future, I remain, Fraternally yours in Christ,

Rev. Msgr. I. Brent Eagen Chancellor

#### SAN DIEGO DIOCESAN OFFICE FOR APOSTOLIC MINISTRY

Alcala Park
San Diego, California 92110

Date June 14, 1971

TO:

REV. RAYMOND KIRK - ST. JOSEPH, BARSTOW

FROM:

MSGR. I. BRENT EAGEN

RE:

REV. JOHN KEITH - INDEBTEDNESS

We are enclosing a long overdue bill in the amount of \$177.65 from the Central Paint & Body Shop of Albuquerque, N. M. owed by Father John Keith.

Please arrange to take care of this bill in the same manner as the Bank of America indebtedness, i.e. withdraw a specific amount each month from Father Keith's salary and send it direct to the Central Paint & Body Shop.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

**MEMORANDUM** 

#### STATEMENT

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June 11, 1971

Rev. Raymond Kirk St. Joseph Church 505 E. Mountain View Avenue Barstow, California 92311

Dear Father Kirk:

After repeated attempts by letter and telephone to urge Father John Keith to take care of a long overdue debt to the Bank of America, we find it necessary to ask you to attach his salary in the amount of \$50.00 monthly and send it to the Brush Collection Agency, 2230 Fifth, San Diego 92101.

This is an indebtedness incurred several years ago for which I extracted a promise from Father Keith to pay \$50.00 a month. To date he has only made one payment late in April. Payments for May and June (\$100.00) are to be deducted from his June salarybby you and mailed direct to the Brush Collection Agency. This procedure is to be followed each month thereafter until the entire amount of indebtedness \$820.26 is paid.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Fraternally yours in Christ,

Rev. Msgr. I. Brent Eagen Chancellor

cc: Brush Collection Agency Rev. John Keith May 27, 1971

Rev. John Keith St. Joseph Church 505 East Mountain View Barstow, Calif. 92311

Dear Father Keith:

Mr. E. J. Osuna of the collection agency has called several times this month to remind me that you have not made the second installment on the repayment of your debt.

It is not possible for us to remind you several times each month of these obligations. If the present payment and subsequent payments are not forthcoming, we will begin in June to attach your salary.

Please be assured of our prayerful good wishes.

Fraternally yours in Christ,

Rev. Msgr. I. Brent Eagen Chancellor

cc: Mr. E. J. Osuna 2230 Fifth Avenue San Diego, Calif. 92101 April 6, 1971

Reverend John Kieth St. Joseph Church 505 East Mountain View Barstow, California 92311

Dear Father Kieth:

Please find enclosed a past due bill from the Central Paint & Body Shop of Albuquerque, New Mexico. You are requested to make prompt payment for this bill.

Every priest has an obligation to complete his financial responsibility when promised. I urge you to pay this bill, and notify this office when it has been done.

Sincerely yours,

Very Reverend Roger A. Lechner Vice Chancellor - Secretary

cc: Central Paint & Body Shop Reverend Raymond Kirk

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December 2, 1970

Rev. John Keith St. Joseph Church 505 E. Mt. View Barstow, California 92311

Dear Fither Keith:

Enclosed is a bill received at this office this week for the amount of \$177.65 which is passed due for repairs on your 1969 Nova. You are requested to pay this amount promptly and notify this office that your bill has been paid.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Very Rev. Roger A. Lechner Vice Chancellor - Secretary

cc: Central Paint & Body Shop

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November 16, 1970

Rev. Msgr. James J. Rabbitt, VF St. Bernadette Catholic Church 1800 Martha Street, N.E. Albuquerque, New Mexico 87112

Dear Monsignor Rabbitt:

Thank you for your letter of November 18, 1970 enclosing bills for Rev. John Keith. I am forwarding these bills to Father Keith with a copy of your letter with the hope that he will take care of them immediately. His present address is:

St. Joseph Church 505 East Mountain View Barstow, California 92311

I can understand your concern for the credit rating of the Church and the priests in the area.

Please be assured of my prayerful good wishes.

Fraternally yours in Christ,

Rev. Msgr. I. Brent Eagen Chancellor

cc: Rev. John C. Keith

# St. Bernadette Catholic Church

### 1800 MARTHA ST., N.E.

ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO 87112

TELEPHONE 298-6262

November 10 1970

Rev. Msgr. I. Brent Eagen Chancellor San Diego

Dear Monsignor:

Would you be so good as to forward these bills to Father John Keith, who was here for two months this summer? He said that he would send me his new address but I have not to date received it. I would not want any of the business places here to be hurt by his tardiness in paying bills. Perhaps you could gently remind him of the concern of these people. I am concerned too for not all of them are Catholics and it could hurt the credit rating of any of us priests.

Thank you very much, Monsignor.

Yours in Christ,

Keith-SLLBV 0063

October 27, 1970

Rev. John Keith St. Joseph Church 505 East Mountain View Barstow, Calif. 92311

Dear Father Keith:

I am pleased to appoint you Associate Pastor to:

Rev. Raymond C. Kirk St. Joseph Church 505 East Mountain View Barstow, California 92311

effective immediately.

Your cooperation and participation in the apostolic ministry are greatly appreciated.

Sincerely in Christ,

+Leo T. Maher Bishop of San Diego

cc: Rev. Raymond C. Kirk

FR. KEITh

December 17, 1969

The Reverend Joseph Leissler, Pastor P.O. Box S Cathedral City, California 92234

Dear Father Leissler:

A Mrs. Petta, representing the law firm of O'Brian McCarthy, telephoned me long distance from Chicago this morning.

Mrs. Petta states that she has tried repeatedly to get Father Keith to discharge his obligation in justice to pay his bills for books. Because of the total lack of cooperation her company has reached the limit of tolerance and will be satisfied if Father Keith returns a 20 volume set of encyclopedias purchased in 1966. Other items were purchased but Mrs. Petta states that the company will be content if the encyclopedia is returned.

This is, of course, a deplorable thing and I very much resent the fact that Father Keith has such seemingly little concern for elementary matters of justice that it became necessary for Mrs. Petta to involve me. In any case, would you please be kind enough to see to it yourself that the encyclopedia is returned at once Mrs. Petta at 333 North Michigan Avenue, Suite 1025, Chicago, Illinois 60601. If you can determine the other items for which payment has not been made please return these also to Mrs. Petta.

With gratitude for your assistance, I remain,

Sincerety yours in Christ,

Auxiliary Bishop of San Diego

## DIOCESE OF SAN DIEGO THE CHANCERY

ALCALA PARK SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA 92110

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MAILING ADDRESS: POST OFFICE BOX 727, PALM DESERT, CALIFORNIA 92260

July 17, 1969

Ftr. John C. Keith 623 B Street Cathedral City, Ca 92234

Dear Ftr. Keith:

Our records indicate that a balance of \$48.60 is owing on your personal lean #003962. This note matured APRIL 5. 1969.

Unless we receive this payment Monday, July 21, 1969 this lean will be placed with our Loan Payment Division, Riverside for further collection effort.

Yours very truly,

Howard P. Bagley, Manager

HPB.mjj cc: Bishop Francis J. Furey San Diege, California



December 6, 1968

Rev. John C. Keith St. Louis Parish 220 Glen Avenue Cathedral City, California 92234

Dear Father Keith:

The inclosed letter dated December 4, 1968 from Mr. M. De Vos has just been received by me.

I am sending it along to you at once for any comments or observations you may have to make.

Wishing you an abundance of Christmas joys and blessings,

Very sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Rev. Francis J. Furey Bishop of San Diego

/ cc: Mr. M. De Vos

Cable Address - BANKAMERICA

Bank of America

ROOM 711, 111 WEST SEVENTH STREET 68 LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 900

Most Rev. Francis J. Furey Cnancellory Office Alcala Park, San Diego, Calif. 92110

In Re: Bank Americard vs: Rev. John C. Keith

Your Reverence:

The above named priest is indebted to Bank Americand for \$641.10 through use of one of our credit Cards. He gave his employment as Priest at St. Louis church in Cathedral City. His application was dated ?-11-67.

We have sent him numerous notices, all of which he has chosen to ignore.

We do not like having to file suit against anyone let alone a member of the clergy and we are hoping that a word from you might be of some help in getting him to contact us and set up a re-payment program. We do not know whether he has a regular salary or not for he stated that his monthly income was 'varied.'

Will you be kind enough to advise us if he is still at the church in Cathedral City and also if he does or does not have a regular salayy. We realize that the incomes of the priests are anything but high but we do feel that they should pay their bills the same as anyone else. We will be happy to try to rork out a payment plan that he can live with if he will get in touch with us is mediately. Otherwise we have no alternative but to take legal action against him.

Thank you so much for any assistance you are able to render.

M. De Vos, Collector

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Keith-SLLBV 0069

April 1, 1968

Reverend John C. Keith
Saint Louis Church
220 Glenn Street
Cathedral City, California 92234

Dear Father Keith:

In response to your request, please find enclosed a check for \$50.00 offered as stipend for twenty-five Low Masses, \$2.00 each.

Please be assured of my personal good wishes.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Very Reverend I. Brent Eagen Acting Chancellor

Enclosures

August 22, 1966

Mr. Charles E. Grimes Grimes Catholic Religious Goods 373 F Street San Bernardino, California 92401

Dear Mr. Grimes:

In response to your letter of August 15, 1966 concerning Reverend John Keith's delinquent account with your company, please be advised that we will attempt to activate Father Keith in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

Rt. Rev. Msgr. James T. Booth, J.C.D., LL.D. Chancellor

August 22, 1966

Reverend John Keith St. Louis Church Cathedral City, Calif. 92234

Dear Father Keith:

Please find enclosed herewith copy of a letter received from Mr. Charles E. Grimes of the Grimes Catholic Religious Goods, San Bernardino.

We would be most grateful if you would settle this account as soon as possible. Thank you.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Rt. Rev. Msgr. James T. Booth, J.C.D., LL.D. Chancellor

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#### CATHOLIC RELIGIOUS GOODS AND GIFTS

373 F STREET SAN BERNARDINO, CALIFORNIA TELEPHONE TURNER 9-5405 8-15-66

Rt. Rev. Msgr. James T. Booth, JCD Chancellor Diocese of San Diego Administration Bldg., Alcala Park San Diego, California 92110

Dear Magr. Booth:

Two years ago Rev. John Keith, now stationed at St. Louis Church, Cathedral City, made a purchase from us totaling \$50.61.

We made regular requests for payment. December 6 of last year we had our first response from him when he wrote to say he would pay all or as much as he could by the end of the month. We received nothing and heard nothing else from him until June 6 when he paid \$10.00 and promised to send \$10.00 a month until the account was paid. That is all he did.

We wrote July 25 to let him know we would request the help of the diocese if he didn't pay by August 15. He called last Monday August 8 to say he was mailing a check. It hasn't reached us yet. Fr. Keith still owes \$40.61.

If you could be of assistance in our collecting the account we would greatly appreciate it.

Thank you.

Very truly yours

Charles E. Grimes

May 12, 1966

Rev. William G. Goodrow, VF Our Lady of Solitude Church 151 W. Alejo Road Palm Springs, California

Dear Father Goodrow,

This office has been trying for some time to register Father John Keith of St. Louis' Parish, Cathedral City, a member of your Deanery in the Blue Cross Insurance.

Over a period of two years we have sent Father Keith three request to fill out the enrollment forms. Failing in this we tried to enlist the help of his Pastor, Father Leissler. However this too has seemed to have fallen upon deaf ears.

It is important that all priests' of the Diocese be insured because the expense incurred for hospitalization and dottor's care can be prohibitive.

As the Dean of the Palm Springs Deanery I take my request to you before I bring it to the attention of His Excellency the Bishop. All we need is Father Keith's signature on the enclosed form.

Thank you for your help in this matter.

Sincerely in Christ,

Reverend William Mooney Director of Insurance

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November 12, 1965

Mr. Frank J. Duffy Duffy & Quinn, Inc. 1701 West 9th Street Los Angeles, Calif. 90015

Dear Mr. Duffy:

In response to your letter of November 4, 1965, please be advised that Reverend John Keith is an assistant to the pastor at St. Louis Church in Cathedral City, California.

We have referred the matter to Reverend Joseph L. Leissler, pastor of St. Louis Church, and asked that he bring this to the attention of Father Keith. If the bill has not been paid, he will make an arrangement with you to withhold some amount from Father Keith's salary each month and forward it to you until payment is completed.

Sincerely yours,

Rt. Rev. Msgr. James T. Booth, J.C.D. Chancellor

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November 4, 1965

Rt. Rev. Msgr. James T. Booth, Chancellor Diocese of San Diego Alcala Park, San Diego

Dear Monsignor Booth:

It's most distasteful to write such a letter and believe me it's the first one in my forty years serving the clergy.

We have an outstanding bill against Rev. John Keith dating back to January-copy of statement enclosed. We have made every effort to collect this bill but to this writing, we have been completely ignored. If Father Keith is ill and he would let us know, we would understand; but no word from him since last July when he promised to take care of it.

May I intrude upon your good graces to help me in collecting this bill. Frankly, our firm is not overly wealthy that we can afford to write this account off our books.

We will await your word with assurance of my appreciation.

Sincerely yours,

Frank J. Duffy

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Rev. John Keith 25684 Date Street San Bernardine, California

Detach and Mail with Your Check.

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November 2, 1965

Reverend John Keith St. Louis Church 220 Glenn Avenue Cathedral City, Calif. 92234

Dear Father Keith:

In response to your request of October 28, 1965, permission is hereby granted to recite the Divine Office in English for the reasons stated.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Rt. Rev. Msgr. James T. Booth, J.C.D. Chancellor

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St. Louis Church

Telephone 328-2398 CATHEDRAL CITY, CALIFORNIA

28 October, 1965

Dear Monsiquer Booth:

May I have permission to recite the Divine Office in English?

I would appreciate some stipends if you have any. They just don't exist here. I could use as many as you could send.

This parish is worderful!

Sincerely,

God Kind

The Reverend John Keith Aquinas High School San Bernardino, California

Dear Father Keith:

You are hereby appointed Assistant to

The Reverend Joseph Leissler St. Louis' Church Cathedral City, California

effective Wednesday, I September 1965.

Bespeaking your loyal cooperation in this assignment, I am

Sincerely yours in Christ,

The Most Reverend Francis J. Furey Apostolic Administrator

cc: Very Reverend Robert Magler
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1364 WATERMAN AVENUE - SAN BERNARDINO, CALIFORNIA

CHANCERY OF SAN DIEGO
Administration Building
A.C.A. C. L. A. Park
San Diego, California

RE:

FATHER JOHN C. KEITH 1049 La Junta, San Bernardino

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August 13, 1964

The Rev. John Keith Marian High School 1002 18th Street Imperial Beach, California

Dear Father Keith:

You are hereby appointed to the Faculty of

Aquinas High School 25684 Date Street San Bernardino, California

effective Monday, September 7, 1964.

With prayerful good wishes and bespeaking your loyal cooperation, I am

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Rev. Francis J. Furey Apostolic Administrator

cc: Very Rev. J. Walshe Murray

## TURNER AFB FEDERAL CREDIT UNION

TURNER AIR FORCE BASE FEDERAL CREDIT UNION ALBANY, GEORGIA 31703

11 June 1964

Rev John C. Keith Marian High School 1002 - 18th Street Imperial Beach, California

#12052

Dear Rev. Keith:

In our letter of 2 April 1964, we advised that we had received your payment of \$30.00 against your loan. We further advised that unless additional regular payments were received, we would be forced to take legal action to recover the debt.

We are always extremely hesitant to take such action but, unless we hear favorably from you by 29 June, we have no further recourse but to turn the account over to a collection agency.

Yours truly,

TURNER AFB FEDERAL CREDIT UNION

James Seacord

Treasurer

Rt. Rev. Msgr. James T. Booth, J.C.D. Chancellor Diocese of San Diego Chancery, Administration Bldg. Alcala Park, P.O. Box 2422 San Diego 20, California

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DO: Rt. Rev. Magr. James T. Boots, J.C.D. Jamesuller Discuss of Jam Fiego Chancery, Administration 31dg. Alcale Fark, P.C. Box 2422 ban Liego 20, Calif.

March 10, 1964

The Reverend John Keith Marian High School 1002 18th Street Imperial Beach, California

Dear Father:

Once again we have received word from the Turner Air Force Base, Federal Credit Union, that you have not paid your just debts. What's wrong???

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Rt. Rev. Msgr. James T. Booth, J.C.D. Chancellor

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#### SAMER AIR FORCE BASE SUBRAL CREDIT UNION ALBANY, GEORGIA 31703

27 February 1964

Father John C. Keith Marian High School Imperial Beach, Calif.

Acc't #12052

Dear Father Keith:

In your letter of December 26, 1963, you requested permission to repay your loan at \$30.00 per month. We agreed to this. However, two months have passed and no payment has been received. Due to your failure to make monthly payments, we must have the entire balance due within five days. If payment is not received, the account will be referred to a collection agency for collection and they will use whatever means are necessary to effect collection.

A payment of \$297.55 will cover interest and principal due to March 15, 1964. Interest will be more each day thereafter.

It seems regrettable to us, Father Keith, that a man in your position will allow his reputation to be effected by a poor credit rating - and even more regrettable should you neglect this account until legal means must be used for collection. We wonder how a man of God can make promises and statements which are completely lacking in truth - such as your statements about trying to get mail to us and your promises of payment. We trust that you will not force our collection efforts to the point of legal action.

Sincerely,

TURNER AFB FEDERAL CREDIT UNION

Blanche W. Crosby, Manager

CC: Chancellor
Administration Bldg.
Alcala Park, F.O. Box 2422
San Diego 22, Calif.

#### MARIAN HIGH SCHOOL 1002-18TH STREET IMPERIAL BEACH, CALIFORNIA PH. 423-2121

February 6, 1964

Rt. Rev. Msgr. James T. Booth, J.C.D. Chancellor Administration Bldg., Alcala Park San Diego 10, California

Rt. Reverend and dear Monsignor:

Some time ago you asked me to take care of a loan to Father John Keith. I am happy to report that the loan has been paid, that the note has been returned to me and that I have turned it over to Father Keith.

Sincerely in the Sacred Heart,

Nery Reverend J. Walshe Murray

Superior-Principal

JWM/bmg

#### TURNER AIR FORCE BASE FEDERAL CREDIT UNION ALBANY, GEORGIA

27 January 1964

dev. John C. Keith Marian High Dehool Imporial Deach, Celif.

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Dear Rev. Keith:

Thank you for your registered letter of 26 Lecember 1963. We appreciate the fact that you are unable to settle your entire balance in a single payment. However, with all due respect to your vocation, we feel that a conscientious person who really intends to pay 300.00 monthly would have enclosed the first \$20.00 payment with the letter to show good faith.

Begin your payments immediately and we will be happy to accept monthly payments of \$30.00. But further delay in payment will necessitate legal action against you, as much as we dislike having to take such action.

We trust you will not make such action necessary.

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CC: Chancellor Administration Bldg. Alcala Park, P. O. Box 2422 San Diego, 20, Calif.

For your information - and assistance, if possible. Thank your, Elknohe Crosby

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January 23, 1964

Rev. John C. Keith Marian High School 1002 18th Street Imperial Beach, California

Dear Father Keith:

You are hereby directed to take up residence in St. Anthony's Rectory, National City effective February 1.

The inclosed instructions are given to you as a guide in your obligations to the parish.

The Reverend Pastor will provide you with an honorarium of \$60.00 per month in return for these services.

With prayerful good wishes, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ, S/ /Francis J. Furey

Most Rev. Francis J. Furey Apostolic Administrator

cc: Very Rev. J. Walshe Murryy Rev. Joseph Rosell

December 12, 1963

Father John C. Keith 10461 Andara Street Chatsworth, Calif.

# 12052

Dear Father Keith:

If you and I could meet in person and shake hands, I'm sure that the first thing that would come to your mind would be the \$300.00 you owe the credit union.

And I believe that you would be fair enough to speak about it, perhaps to explain why you haven't paid up as yet.

Then don't you think it only fair to ask you either to pay this loan now, or to sit down and tell us why you haven't taken care of it?

We certainly want to be fair with you. I think we have been. And I'm sure that you want to be equally fair with us. Are we right, Father Keith?

Sincerely,

TURNER AFB FEDERAL CREDIT UNION

Blanche W. Crosby, Manager

BWC:cj

CC: Chancellor
Administration Bldg.
Alcala Park, P.O. Box 2422
San Diego 20, Calif.

December 18, 1963

Rev. John C. Keith Marian High School 1002 18th Street Imperial Beach, California

#### Dear Father:

Why haven't you done something about your debt with the Credit Union at Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia? Are you ever going to acknowledge even their letters, or mine, in this matter? If we do not hear from you immediately on this, in writing, we will proceed to authorize your Superior to withhold so much a month from your salary until this debt is paid.

Every best wish,

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Rt. Rev. Msgr. James T. Booth, J.C.D. Chancellor

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#### TURNER AIR FORCE BASE FEDERAL CREDIT UNION ALBANY, GEORGIA

6 November 1963

Father John C. Keith 10461 Andara Street Chatsworth, California

Dear Father Keith:

Re: #12052

At the time you received a loan with this credit union, you signed a legal note requiring payment in full on or before the date of your release from the Air Force. You were unable to do this when you were released from the service, and we agreed to allow monthly payments to settle the balance of \$281.50, plus interest, still due. Interest is at the rate of one percent of the unpaid balance per thirty-day period, and the last payment made on the account was on August 6, 1963.

You have disregarded our requests for payments, and therefore, we must ask for payment in full on or before November 15, 1963. Interest to that date will be \$9.49, and will increase eash day payment is delayed. You have shares in the amount of \$4.60 which will be used as payment on the loan. A payment of \$286.39, if received on or before November 15,1963, will settle the account. May we expect your payment by that date?

Yours truly.

TURNER AFB FEDERAL CREDIT UNION

Blanche W. Crosby Manager

BWC:hw

CC: Rt. Rev. Msgr. James T. Booth J.C.D. Chancellor

Administration Building Alcala Park, P. O. Box 2422

Sir. any assistance you may give will be appriciated. Thank you, Blanche Crossy

November 13, 1963

Miss Blanche Crosby
Turner AFB Federal Credit Union
Bldg. 4412
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

Dear Miss Crosby:

In response to your request of November 6, 1963, please be advised that we will attempt to assist you.

Sincerely yours,

Rt. Rev. Msgr. James T. Booth, J.C.D. Chancellor

#### November 13, 1963

The Reverend John C. Keith Marian High School 1002 18th Street Imperial Beach, California

#### Dear Father:

We have received word from Turner Air Force Base, Federal Credit Union, Albany, Georgia, that you owe them \$286.39. Is this another bill besides the \$200.00 one we wrote to you about a few days ago? Will you please take care of this matter promptly.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Rt. Rev. Msgr. James T. Booth, J.C.D. Chancellor

St. Teresa's Rectory 421 EDGEWOOD LANE Albany, Georgia

October 26, 1963

Most Reverend Charles Francis Buddy Administration Bldg. Alcala Park San Diego 10, Calif.

Your Excellency:

It is with much misgiving and hesitancy that I write you concerning this situation. It is not my intention to cause any additional hardship upon the person involved but to request that a matter of justice be satisfied.

While Fr. John Keith was in Albany, he obtained the enclosed loan from a local bank through a parishoner, an officer of the bank, and I was asked to co-sign it. When the loan was due, this officer, Mr. George Hughey, picked it up and now I am responsible for its payment.

As of this day, I have not heard from Fr. Keith. Not knowing how to contact him directly, I am taking the liberty of referring this matter to Your Excellency with the hope that you will be able to arrange a settlement of this loan. Since I have to make payment, reimbursement may be made directly to me.

I have the honor to be, Your Excellency,

Respectfully yours,

Rev. Eugene F. Krygier

Rev. Eugene F. Krygier

### November 12, 1963

Reverend Eugene F. Krygier St. Teresa's Rectory 421 Edgewood Lane Albany, Georgia

Reverend and dear Father Krygier:

Since Bishop Buddy is no longer in charge of the Diocese of San Diego, your letter of October 26, 1963, has been referred to the undersigned.

Father John Keith is now a teacher at Marian High School, 1002--18th Street, Imperial Beach, California. You may feel free to contact him directly and in the meantime, we will urge him to reimburse you.

With every best wish, I am,

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Rt. Rev. Msgr. James T. Booth, J.C.D. Chancellor

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#### November 12, 1963

Reverend Father John Keith 1002 18th Street Imperial Beach, California 92032

Reverend and dear Father Keith:

We have received word from Father Eugene F. Krygier that you have defaulted on a \$200 note to the First State Bank and Trust Company of Albany, Georgia. We have a photocopy of the note with your signature on it so we do know that you made the loan. Since Father Krygier has had to pay the \$200, you are ordered to reimburse him directly.

A copy of this letter is being sent to Father J. Walshe Murray and is to be accepted as instructions to deduct this money from your monthly pay if you do not see fit to satisfy this debt on your own.

With every best wish, I am,

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Rt. Rev. Msgr. James T. Booth, J.C.D. Chancellor

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#### September 5, 1963

The Reverend John Keith St. Joseph's Cathedral 1535 Third Avenue San Diego, California

Dear Father Keith:

The enclosed was addressed to me. Would you kindly attend to this at once and send me a copy of your covering letter on this.

Sincerely yours,

Very Reverend Monsignor Donald F. Doxie, Secretary, Vice-Chancellor.

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August 19, 1963

The Reverend Jehn C. Keith Addressed

Reverend and dear Father Keith:

Assistant to Right Reverend Monsignor George M. Rice, Rector of St. Joseph's Cathedral and a member of the Staff of University High School under the direction of Very Reverend John A. Bickie

today, August 19, ,1963.

December 18, 1961

The Reverend John Keith Our Lady of Fatima Church 1049 La Junta Street San Bernardino, California

Reverend and dear Father Keith!

Assistant Chaplain at

St. Bernardine's Hospital 2101 Waterman Avenue San Bernardino, California

last Friday, December 15, 1961.

a cc: The Reverend Robert MacEwen, Chaplain October 30, 1961

Rev. John Keith Our Lady of Fatima Church 1049 La Junta San Bernardino, California

Dear Father:

Thank you very much for the \$200.00 presented as Taxa for the Incardination process. Your Incardination Papers are herewith enclosed. You are now a member of the Clergy of the Diocese of San Diego.

Welcome and congratulations:

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Rt.Rev.Msgr. James T. Booth, J.C.D. Chancellor

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# Carolus Franciscus Buddy

Pei et Apostolicae Sedis Gratia Kpiscopus Sancti Didaci

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#### DILECTO NOBIS IN CHRISTO

Dmo.

JOHN KEITH

Salutem in Domino.

Superior Provincial, Rev. Careell O'Sallivan, S.J. Votis tuis libenter annuentes, Reverendissimo ac-Hustrissimo D.D. Episcopo per rescriptum sub 3 Julii, 1959, Soc. Jesu., hactenus Ordinario tuo, sicut

-per-scripta-nobis-constat, assentiente, te in nostram Sancti Didaci Diocesim in California suscipimus ac te susceptum et participem omnium jurium et privilegiorum necnon et officiorum, quæ ad dilectum nostrum clerum pertinent, per præsentes has litteras declaramus, faustissima quæque tibi insuper precantes.

Datum Civitate Sancti Didaci ex ædibus Nostris, die Septembris

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Carolus Franciscus Buddy

Episcopus

Sancti Didaci.

De Mandato Rev <sup>mi</sup> ac Ill <sup>mi</sup> D. D. Episcopi,

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Secretarius.

Litterae hujusmodi incardinationis perpetuae et absolutae conservandae sunt in archivo diocoesano.

### October 30, 1961

Very Rev. John F. Connolly, S.J. Provincial's Residence 2460 Lyon Street San Francisco 23, California

Very Reverend and dear Father:

Please find enclosed herewith a copy of the Incardination Papers issued to Reverend Father John Keith, formerly of your Society.

With every best wish, I am,

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Rt.Rev.Msgr. James T. Booth, J.C.D. Chancellor

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#### October 17, 1961

Rev. John Keith Our Lady of Fatima Church 1049 La Junta San Bernardino, California

Dear Father:

His Excellency, the Most Reverend Bishop, has directed me to inform you that your request for Incardinationil been favorably received. Your Incardination Papers will be executed and sent to you when we receive the Taxa of Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00) necessary in these matters.

With every desire to be of assistance, I am,

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Rt.Rev.Msgr. James T. Booth, J.C.D. Chancellor

MEMORANDUM

ALCALA PARK SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA 92110

DIOCESE OF SAN DIEGO THE CHANCERY

#### August 2, 1961

The Reverend John B. Keith Our Lady of Fatima Church 1049 La Junta Street San Bernardino, California

Reverend and dear Father Keith:

Please advise me regarding the date on which you sent the money order for \$35.00 for your Priests' Relief Society dues for 1961.

I wish to check and see if it has been credited to another account.

With kind regards,

Sincerely,

Rt. Rev. Msgr. Michael J. Byrne

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May 31, 1961

The Reverend John Keith Our Lady of Fatime Church 1049 La Junta Street San Bernardino, California

Reverend and dear Father Keith:

On several occasions we have sent out statements for the Priests' Relief Society. Our records show that you owe \$35.00 for dues which were payable February 1, 1961. Perhaps this statement did not reach you, but may I respectfully ask that you give this matter your kind and prompt attention.

With kind regards,

Sincerely,

Rt. Rev. Msgr. Michael J. Byrne Secretary

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Thanking you in advance, we are,

Respectfully yours,

The Spearman Company,

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#### April 29, 1960

The Reverend John B. Keith St. Bernardine's Rectory 584 Fifth Street San Bernardino, California

Reverend and dear Father Keith:

You are hereby appointed Assistant to the Reverend John C. Okon, Pastor of

Our Lady of Fatima Church 4949 La Junta Street San Bernardino, California

effective Sunday, May 1st, 1960, 5:00 p.m.

Bespeaking for this new assignment your loyal cooperation, it is my privilege to remain

Your devoted servant in Christ,

The Most Reverend Charles F. Buddy, Bishop of San Diego.

cc: The Rev. John C. Okon

#### February 23, 1960

The Reverend John Keith St. Bernardine's Church 534 Fifth Street San Bernardino, California

Reverend and dear Father Keith:

Permit we respectfully to submit that it is my understanding that you are aware that the attached statement concerns your account in the Priests' Relief Society.

In a short time, it will be necessary for me to present to His Excellency, the Most Reverend Bishop, a statement of the Priests' Relief Fund, and this will have to include a list of those priests whose accounts are delinquent.

Before beginning to compile this summary, however, it would be a great help to me if you would direct your attention to the bill enclosed, and take care of the same as soon as possible.

Bespeaking your kind and prompt cooperation in this matter, I remain,

Respectfully,

Rt. Rev. Msgr. Michael J. Byrne, Secretary.

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#### Movember 6, 1959

The Reverend William Keith Gory Rosary Church 2525 Arrowhead Avenue San Bernardino, California

Reverend and dear Father Keith:

You are hereby transferred from the residence of Holy Rosary to St. Bernardine's rectory, effective Sunday afternoon, 4 p.m.

Invoking the Holy Spirit that you will cooperate with Right Reverend Mothignor Ryan and be available for help in St. Eernardine's Church -- at the same time continuing your present scholastic assignment at Aquinas, I remain, with every good wish and blessing,

Devotedly in Christ,

The Most Reverend Charles F. Buddy, Bishop of San Diego.

co: The Rev. John Bland The Rt. Rev. Msgr. Daniel J. Lyan The Reverend John Keith Aquinas High School 25684 Date Street San Bernardino, California

> Sisters of Immaculate Heart St. Anne's School 25 E. Baseline Street Highland, California



## DIOCESE OF SAN DIEGO THE CHANCERY

University of San Diego Administration Bldg. Alcala Park San Diego 12, California

August 20, 1959

C P Y The Reverend John Keith St. Anthony's Church 1640 Western Avenue San Bernardino, California

Reverend and dear Father Keith:

His Excellency, the Most Reverend Bishop, directs me to advise you that you have been appointed as a Professor at Aquinas High School, San Bernardino.

With kindest regards, I remain,

Sincerely,

Rt. Rev. Msgr. Michael J. Byrne, Secretary.

m cc: Very Rev. J. Vincent Sullivan

The Reverend John Keith Immaculate Heart Seminary Marian Way, Alcale Park San Diego 10, California

Reverend and dear Father Keith:

His Excellency, the Most Reverend Bishop, directs me to acknowledge and thank you for your check of \$150.00.

The Most Reverend Ordinary directs me to advise you that you are not to write any unkind letter to Mr. Frank Haney as he has been patient and understanding.

With kind regards, I am,

Sincerely,

Rt. Rev. Msgr. Michael J. Byrne, Secretary.



#### MEMORANDUM

Date:

December 23, 2002

To:

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From:

Monsignor Steven Callahan

Subject:

Reverend John Keith

On Friday, December 20, 2002, Bishop Robert Brom and I visited Father Keith at Nazareth House. Bishop Brom explained the provisions contained in his letter to Father Keith dated December 20, 2002. Father Keith agreed to abide completely by them.

December 20, 2002



Office of the Bishop

#### Dear Father Keith:

This is to put in writing what I communicated to you in our meeting today. Since 1993, several adults have made allegations of sexual abuse against you. As you know, you were sent for evaluation and treatment at Saint Luke Institute in 1993. In light of the evaluation report given by Saint Luke, and in accord with the Essential Norms for Diocesan/Eparchial Policies Dealing with Allegations of Sexual Abuse of Minors by Priests or Deacons, I direct you as follows:

- 1. You may not celebrate Mass publicly or administer the sacraments.
- 2. You may not wear clerical garb, and you may not present yourself publicly as a priest.
- 3. You may not participate in the annual convocation and assemblies for priests.

I appreciate your cooperation in abiding by these directives and I encourage you to continue to lead a life of prayer and penance as reparation for your past misconduct.

Prayerful best wishes to you as we prepare to celebrate the Christmas mystery.

Sincerely in our Lord,

Bishop of San Diego

Reverend John Keith Nazareth House 6333 Rancho Mission Road San Diego, California 92108

Very Reverend Monsignor Steven F. Callahan

Chancellor Diocesan Seal

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August 20, 2002

Dear

I am sorry to hear about your experience with Father John Keith, currently a retired priest of the Diocese of San Diego, while you were in high school. I offer my availability to provide whatever pastoral assistance the Diocese of San Diego can offer you. I will be on vacation from August 22 until September 2, but I can otherwise be reached by phone at 858-490-8310, by e-mail at <a href="mailto:scallaha@diocese-sdiego.org">scallaha@diocese-sdiego.org</a>, or by mail.

For several years Father Keith has been living in a retirement home with other priests and elderly persons. He is restricted from exercising any public ministry outside of that setting.

Please do not hesitate to contact me directly or through Sister Barbara, if I can be of any further assistance to you.

Sincerely,

Reverend Monsignor Steven F. Callahan

Chancellor

From:

Rodrigo Valdivia

To: Date: Steve Callahan

Subject:

Mon, Aug 12, 2002 3:16 PM

John Keith

Steve:

Sr. Barbara Flannery, Chancellor in Oakland (510-267-8334) called to convey allegations brought forth against Fr. John Keith for sexual abuse that happened while he was in high school. by

According to Sr. Barbara, for the time being danger. She suggested that we send

wants only to know that others are not in a letter, in her care at the diocesan address, that

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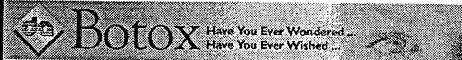
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## Sex-abuse scandal opens old wounds

Retired cleric denies molestation charges

By David Hasemyer STAFF WRITER and

Joe Cantlupe COPLEY NEWS SERVICE

May 9, 2002

Jeremy Norton wept in his San Carlos home yesterday as he recalled the sexual abuse he says a San Diego priest inflicted on him 17 years ago, when he was just a boy.

In a nearby Mission Valley retirement home, the accused priest also cried, denying the accusations and asking for mercy from God.

The lives of Norton and Father John Keith are filled with anguish: Norton for what he says Keith did to him; Keith for things he says never happened, for what he calls lies that will ruin him.

They are among the emerging number of San Diegans embroiled in a nationwide firestorm of allegations over priests' sexual misconduct that has overwhelmed the Roman Catholic Church.

The family said it received \$95,000 in a 1999 out-of-court settlement with the Roman Catholic diocese of San Diego stemming from a lawsuit that accused Keith of molestation.

Family members acknowledged there was no admission of wrongdoing on Keith's part. They had previously signed a confidentiality agreement.

For Keith, 76, young Jeremy Norton was just another altar boy at St. Martin's Church in La Mesa, whom he barely remembers. He fears he's a target in a witch hunt for money.

"I'm old. I'm getting ready to die," Keith said. "I'm not a bad person. If I was evil, if I was planning to hurt people it would be different. But I'm not and I didn't do those things."



For Norton, the haunting memory of Father Keith never stops.

"I remember once we were in the car," said Norton, his voice halting and breaking into tears, "and he put his hand against my crotch. It got worse."

Norton, 29, and his family, once devout Catholics, disclosed their allegations in interviews yesterday, saying they hoped that public discussion of an incident close to home would help heal the beleaguered church.

In a statement released yesterday, the Diocese of San Diego acknowledged the lawsuit alleging misconduct by Keith in 1985.

"At the request of the diocese, the plaintiff (Norton's family) agreed to mediation," the statement said. "Out of respect for the privacy of the plaintiff, the diocese does not wish to provide any further details."

According to their lawsuit, Keith once took the 12-year-old boy out of his elementary school class without his mother's knowledge and then bought gifts for him at Toys R Us in La Mesa. Once alone, the lawsuit said, the boy was forced to fondle the priest.

The family said Keith molested the boy several times, although their lawsuit refers to only one instance.

Norton, who family members said is learning-disabled, has been undergoing therapy and was "in the process of recalling the full nature and extent of Keith's conduct," the lawsuit states.

Years ago, Carmen Gresens, Norton's mother, said, she repeatedly complained to church officials about Keith but nothing was done. "They wanted to silence us," Gresens said. Eventually, the family filed the suit.

During the interview yesterday, Gresens clutched her husband Roger's hand as they listened to Norton discuss the allegations. She said the ordeal strained their marriage.

Occasionally, Gresens held her face in her hands and blamed herself for the incidents, which she said devastated her "fragile" son. "I should have done more," she said. "I always told my son to trust in a priest."

Keith, who said he is a recovering alcoholic, said he thought he put the lawsuit long behind him, barely thinking about it.

"I swear to God none of this happened," Keith said. "But I have an idea he was convinced it happened, by his mother."

He said he believes the motive behind the lawsuit was to get money to help Norton with the disability he was born with, suggesting Norton's mother put her son up to making the allegations. Gresens denied that



claim.

The priest has been on retired status since 1990 and is not active in the ministry, according to the diocese.

Now frail and nearly blind, Keith said all he wanted to do was live out his days in the tranquillity of retirement, finding solace in his faith and in contentment that he dedicated himself to serving others.

When read the graphic allegations of molestation in the lawsuit, Keith gasped and said, "Dear Lord, no."

David Hasemyer: (619) 547-4583; david.hasemyer@uniontrib.com

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## Draft of statement provided to San Diego Union Tribune on May 8, 2002

In 1999 a lawsuit was filed against the Diocese of San Diego involving Father John Keith. Father Keith has had retired status since 1990 and is not active in ministry. The lawsuit alleged misconduct by Father Keith in 1985. At the request of the diocese, the plaintiff agreed to mediation. Out of respect for the privacy of the plaintiff, the diocese does not wish to provide any further details.

Keith phone 619-281-1112



#### CONFIDENTIAL

September 29, 1995

#### Dear Father Keith:

As part of my continuing review of your ministerial status, I must inform you that from this date forward you are to restrict your ministry to professed members of the Daughters of St. Paul only, and avoid any occasion upon which you might be expected to minister to any other members of the faithful. Thus, you may celebrate Mass for, and hear the confessions of, the Daughters, but you should not hold yourself available for any other ministry, whether at the Daughters' request or otherwise. Examples which come to mind are special Masses which the Daughters might have to which outsiders would be invited. My staff has notified the Daughters of my direction in this regard.

I thank you for your continuing cooperation and assure you of a place in my prayers.

Fraternally in our Lord.

Bishop of San Diego

Rev. John C. Keith 1551 Third Avenue, #610 San Diego, CA 92101

bc: Rev. Msgr. Daniel J. Dillabough



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Rev. John C. Keith 1551 Third Avenue, #610 San Diego, CA 92101

### Peter McDade, Ph.D.

Clinical and Consulting Psychology 7946 Ivanhoe Avenue #201B La Jolla, California 92037 (619) 454-8528

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Peter McDade, Ph.D. SS#: 150-46-3124 CA. Lic. PSY 11500

relieved 12% act 23 May, 1994 MAY 1994 Dear Bishof Brow, On Feter We bade has suggested I write concerning on interest I have and which he heartily concurs. Some mouths ago when I was visiting an innete in the Federal Metrofolitan Correctional Center Deacon Nicholas Sentiago - the Catholic Cheplain mentioned the need for a priest to visit there periodically for Mass and confession - a need that still exists. Having discussed this with De Mc Dade and knowing my sincere deare to make amends for post mistakes I was encouraged to write you to offer my helf-feelights on a weekly bases. With your fermission of offer myself for this afostolate.

Please excuse the stateonery; Fr. Steve said you would understand it is because of my eyesight.

Ju Xto,

(Rev.) John C. Keith

Most Rev. Robert H. Brom, S., 40 Box 85728 Jan Siego, Ca 92186-5728

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#### 3 August 1993 Confidential

Rev. John C. Keith 1551 Third Avenue, # 610 San Diego, CA 92107

Dear Fr. Keith:

Just a short note to say that I hope all is going well for you, and to let you know that Dr. Peter McDade informed the bishop that he could take you as a client. Please call him, therefore, at 454-8528, and don't worry if you get an answering machine. Just leave your name and number and he will get back to you. He'll know what it is about.

Fr. Steve Callahan gets back in a couple of weeks. I'll be turning your file over to him, and he will be your diocesan contact person after that. In the meantime, if you have any questions at all, call me.

Dr. Edward N. Heters Assistant to the Bishop

	19 July, 1993
	Dear Dr. Peters:
	You have my fermission to send my fersonnel file to Dr. Peter Mc Dade with, of course, the understanding that the contents will remain absolutely confidentes.
	all is quiet here. Nothing, really, to refort.
	Sincerely,
	(Rev.) John C. Keith
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12 July 1993 Confidential

Rev. John C. Keith 1551 Third Avenue, # 610 San Diego, CA 92107

Dear Fr. Keith:

Based on St. Luke's recommendation, the bishop would like to know whether you would be willing to work with Dr. Peter McDade here in San Diego as your counsellor. If you are interested, please write back to me giving us permission to send your entire personnel file, including psychological reports, to Dr. McDade, to help him determine whether he or one of his associates would be best for you.

Dr. Edward N. Peters

Assistant to the Bishop



## 28 June 1993 Confidential

Dear Fr. Keith:

I was gratified to learn of your cooperation with the evaluation process at St. Luke's. I light of this report I am authorizing somewhat expanded ministerial duties for you, subject to your continued cooperation and progress in the program recommended by St. Luke's, as follows:

Please arrange with Rev. Steven Callahan to apprise him monthly of your work and activities. While Fr. Callahan is in studies, you can communicate with Dr. Edward Peters (574-6380), whom you already know.

Please arrange on your own to have your diabetes, back, and heart conditions examined more carefully. Please also take seriously the advice of St. Luke's to reduce your weight and to be regular in your AA activities.

My office will, in the meantime, make inquries about a psychotherapist with whom you can work in accord with St. Luke's recommendations. Dr. Peters will be in touch you shortly. It will be your responsibility to make arrangements for weekly sessions with a spiritual director, but I would be happy to assist you in that search if you wish.

I am pleased to be able to inform you that:

You now have permission for priestly ministry to any religious in the diocese.

You now have permission for priestly ministry in the retirement center in which you reside, or within any other senior citizen and retirement environments.

At the present time, however, the restriction against parish ministry (including supply work) remains in place, as does the restriction against any contact with persons under the age of 18 (lowered from 21). You will continue to refrain from contact with Mr. Bryan.

Bishop Brom to Fr. Keith 28 June 1993 Page Two of Two Confidential

Once again, John, please accept my promise of prayers during this period of growth and adjustment. With you, I am pleased to see you take advantage of every opportunity to grow in knowledge of yourself and in your love for the Lord.

Fraternally in our Lord,

Bishop of San Diego

Vice-Chancellor

Rev. John C. Keith 1551 Third Avenue, # 610 San Diego, CA 92107 10 June 1993

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Dear Fr. Keith:

This is to confirm that you will be attending St. Luke's Institute in Suitland, Maryland, for an evaluation from Sunday June 20th till Friday June 25th.

Your flight to Washington leaves early Saturday morning, June 19th, and you arrive there 4:35 pm eastern time.

When you arrive at Washington National Airport on Saturday June 19th, go to the baggage pick-up area for your airline. A driver will be waiting for your there, holding a sign that says "St. Luke's".

If you cannot find your driver, call St. Luke's directly at 301-967-3700. The address of St. Luke's is 2420 Brooks Drive, Suitland, MD, 20746. The admissions director is Ms. Bonnie Conners.

You will be getting a questionnaire directly from St. Luke's in the next couple of days.

Your flight back to San Diego leaves Washington Friday June 25th at 1:32 pm eastern, with you getting in here 5:15 pm local time.

Your tickets will be at the bishop's office on Friday June 18th. If you cannot pick them up then, call us immediately.

If you have any questions, feel free to call me.

Sincerely yours,

Dr. daward N. Feters Assistant to the Bishop



Precept 9 June 1993

In accord with 1983 CIC 49, I hereby direct you, Fr. John Keith, to terminate any civil offices or obligations you might have assumed without the permission required under 1983 CIC 285. I direct you to do this as soon as possible, and to report to me on the status of your actions within 30 days.

Bishop of San Di	ego
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Vice-Chancellor	

#### NOTICE

#### To Accompany Disclosures

This information has been disclosed to you from records whose confidentiality is protected by Federal law. Federal regulations (42 CFR Part 2) prohibit you from making any further disclosure of it without the specific written consent of the person to whom it pertains, or as otherwise permitted by such regulations. A general authorization for the release of medical or other information is NOT sufficient for this purpose.

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Via Coeli

17 July 1970

Most Rev. Leo T. Maher Bishop of San Diego Diocesan Office for Apostolic Ministry Alcala Park San Diego, Calif. 92110

Dear Bishop Maher.

Re: Rev. John Charles KEITH



This is to advise you that in accordance with your wishes in his regard, we have placed Father John on a two month assignment in a parish in Albuquerque. On 15 July he took up residence at St. Bernadette's, 1800 Martha N.E., Albuquerque, N.Mex. 87112; telephone 505-298-6262.

Subsequent to this supply assignment we will hopefully be able to give him a further and more lengthy assignment which will be to his liking and in which he will be able to use his talents in the ministry.

Asking your blessing on this apostolate, I remain,

Respectfully in the Holy Spirit,

Rev. Wm. F. Tobin s.P. superior

cc; Rev. J.C.Keith

Servants of the Holy Paraclete - Jemez Springs, New Mexico 87025

#### October 26, 1959

The Reverend John C. Keith Holy Rosary Rectory 2525 Arrowhead Avenue San Bernardino, California

Dear Father Keith:

You are hereby requested to take up residence as of this date at Holy Rosary Rectory, San Bernardino, where Father John Bland extends you a cordial welcome.

Please give Father Bland loyalty and cooperation. You are expected to assist him at his direction in the church and whatever duties he may assign for the rectory, such as convert classes or door duty.

You are absolutely forbidden to call at homes in the Parish or any other Parish in San Bernardino unless requested to do so by Father Bland.

My earnest prayer is that you will so conduct yourself with prudence and good judgment as to cause no worry to this Christ-like priest who has opened for you the hospitality of his home.

You are required to be in at night by 10 o'clock and to follow such other directives that Father Bland may find necessary to give.

It is gratifying to add that to date your teaching assignment at Aquinas appears to be satisfactory.

Let me beg you to invoke the Holy Spirit for the enlightenment and the guidance that we all need.

Faithfully your servant in Christ,

The Most Reverend Charles F. Buddy, Bishop of San Diego

CC: Rev. John Bland Rev. Paul Hatch