

# PRIEST FILE



PERSONAL RECORD OF REV.

MICHAEL O'CONNOR

NAME IN FULL

Father's and Mother's (maiden) name..... John P. O'Connor and Bridget Rohan

Birth Date and Place..... February 2, 1908, Aunascaul County, Kerry, Ireland

Baptism Date and Place..... February 12, Sacred Heart Church Aunascaul

Present Citizenship.....

If Naturalized, Date and Place.....

Elementary School—Dates and Places..... National Schools Aunascaul, Kerry, Ireland  
1913 - 1920

High School—Dates and Places..... Christian Brothers School Dingle, 1920 - 1921  
St. Brendan's Seminary, Killarnay County Kerry 1921 - 1923 1924 - 1925  
Jeffers Institute Tralee County Kerry 1923 - 1924

College—Dates and Places.....

Seminary—Dates and Places..... Saint Patrick's, College, Carlow, Ireland  
1925 - 1931

Post-Graduate Work—Dates and Places.....

Degrees—Dates and Places.....

Ordination Date and Place..... College Chapel, Carlow, Ireland June 14, 1931

Ordaining Prelate..... Most Rev. Cullen, D.D. Bishop of Kildare and Leighen Carlow

Ordained for what Diocese..... Los Angeles and San Diego

If incardinated in San Diego, Date.....

If not incardinated, Date of Arrival.....

What foreign languages can you speak?..... Irish and Spanish

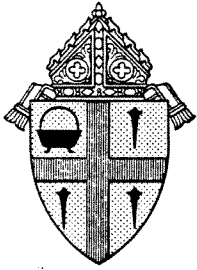
Name and address of nearest relative or friend..... Rev. John J. O'Connor, Torrington, Wyoming

State where last will and testament is filed..... Chancery

List of ecclesiastical dignities and date of reception..... Vicar Forane, Palm Springs 2/25/48:

State any special work or assignment and give dates.....

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DIOCESE OF SAN DIEGO  
THE CHANCERY  
ALCALA PARK  
SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA 92110

November 2, 1965

Right Reverend and dear Monsignor:  
Reverend and dear Father:

This Chancery announces with deep regret the death, after a prolonged illness, of Reverend Michael O'Connor, Pastor of Our Lady of the Angels Church, San Diego, Sunday morning, October 31, 1965, at Daniel Freeman Hospital, Inglewood, California, fortified with all of the Rites of Holy Mother the Church. Father O'Connor was born in Aunascaul, Kerry, Ireland, February 2, 1908. He was ordained for the Diocese in the College Chapel, Carlow, Ireland, June 14, 1931.

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Sincerely yours in Christ,

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

JOSEPH C. DU ROSS  
ATTORNEY AT LAW  
332 MANHATTAN BEACH BLVD.  
MANHATTAN BEACH, CALIFORNIA 90266  
TELEPHONE: 372-5706

May 16, 1968

The Roman Catholic Bishop of San Diego  
Administration Building  
Acala Park,  
San Diego, California 92110

Your Excellency:

I represent the Executrix of the Estate of The Very Reverend Michael O'Connor, formerly a priest of The San Diego Diocese who died in 1965. By the terms of his Will, Msgr. O'Connor bequeathed \$1,000.00 to the Chancery Office of the Diocese of San Diego and \$1,000.00 to the Major Seminary of the Diocese of San Diego.

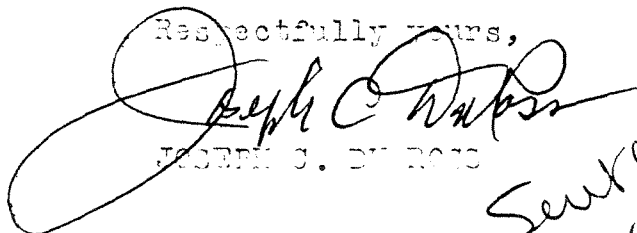
We have finally converted Msgr. O'Connor's assets to cash and we will soon be in a position to file a Final Accounting and ask for distribution of his Estate. Before we do this there is one matter that must be determined, and that is a final clearance of his Income Tax Liability for the year 1965.

The Executrix had a W-2 Form issued by your office showing that Msgr. O'Connor's salary for the year 1965 was \$1,800.00 from which \$65.25 was withheld and paid to the Government to be credited to the payment of his tax. The Executrix filed a Return for Msgr. O'Connor and attached the W-2 Form to the Return as required, however, she now has correspondence from the Internal Revenue Service demanding payment of additional tax in which they give no credit for withholding tax presumably because the W-2 Form became detached from the Return and cannot be found.

I shall appreciate it if you will have your auditor issue a duplicate W-2 Form for Msgr. O'Connor for the year 1965 and return the same to me.

Thanking you for your courtesy and cooperation I remain,

Respectfully yours,

  
JOSEPH C. DU ROSS

JCD/st

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Sent by *J. Killeen*  
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August 5, 1968

Most Rev. Francis J. Furey  
Bishop of San Diego  
Administration Building  
Alcala Park  
San Diego, California 92110

Your Excellency:

I represent the Executrix of the Will of Rev. Michael O'Connor formerly of the Diocese of San Diego.

Two of the provisions of Father O'Connor's Will were as follows:

Second:

"I give and bequeath One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) to the Chancery Office of the Roman Catholic Diocese of San Diego for the purpose of having Masses offered for the repose of my soul." @ 2<sup>00</sup> each

Third:

"I give and bequeath One Thousand Dollars to the Major Seminary of the Roman Catholic Diocese of San Diego with the request that Masses be offered for the repose of my soul."

I enclose, herewith, two checks each in the amount of \$1,000.00; one being payable to the Chancery Office of the Roman Catholic Diocese of San Diego and one payable to the Major Seminary of the Roman Catholic Diocese of San Diego. I am also enclosing two receipts. I shall appreciate it if you will see that the receipts are signed by the proper persons and returned to me.

Respectfully yours,

  
JOSEPH C. DU ROSS

JCD/gt  
enclosure

Mailed 8/6/68

October 15, 1962

Rev. Michael O'Conor  
Our Lady of Angels Church  
656-24th Street  
SanDiego 2,  
California

Dear Father:

Please find enclosed herewith the copy of a Will for the late Reverend Father John Brannigan. This Will was opened by the undersigned and witnessed by the Right Reverend Vicar General.

With every desire to be of assistance, I am,

Sincerely yours in Christ,

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

enc.

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L A S T W I L L  
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JOSEPH CL DU ROSS  
Attorney at Law  
332 Manhattan Beach Boulevard  
Manhattan Beach, California



L A S T W I L L

OF

REV. MICHAEL O'CONNOR

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In the Name of God, Amen:

I, REV. MICHAEL O'CONNOR, a resident of the City of San Diego, County of San Diego, State of California, declare this to be my Last Will.

- FIRST: I hereby revoke all previous Wills, or Codicils to Wills that I may have made.
- SECOND: I give and bequeath One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) to the Chancery Office of the Roman Catholic Diocese of San Diego for the purpose of having Masses offered for the repose of my soul.
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- FOURTH: I give and bequeath Five Hundred Dollars to Rev. Anthony Timlin of San Diego, California, for the purpose of having Masses offered for the repose of my soul.
- FIFTH: I give, devise and bequeath the rest, residue and remainder of my estate, whether real, personal or mixed and wheresoever situated to my sister, Kathleen McCarthy of Los Angeles, California.
- SIXTH: I have purposely failed to provide for my heirs except as mentioned herein.
- SEVENTH: I nominate and appoint Kathleen McCarthy to be the Executrix of this Will. In the event that she is unable to act in this capacity I nominate and appoint Rev. Anthony Timlin to be the Executor of this Will and I request that no Bond be required of either Kathleen McCarthy or Rev. Anthony Timlin for the faithful performance of his or her duties as representative of my estate.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 21st day of March, 1965.

Rev. Michael O'Connor

The foregoing instrument, consisting of two (2) pages, including this page and the following page on which our signatures appear, was on the date

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hereof, by the said REV. MICHAEL O'CONNOR, subscribed, published and declared to be his Last Will, in the presence of us who, at his request and in his presence, and in the presence of each other, have signed the same as witnesses thereto.

Ernest L. Putmann Of 2720 W. 84th Street  
Inglewood, California

Joseph C. Du Ross Of 3984 Dublin Ave.  
Los Angeles, California

**DANIEL FREEMAN HOSPITAL**

333 North Prairie Avenue  
Inglewood, California  
ORchard 2-0112

Conducted by the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet

December 28, 1965

Rt. Rev. Msgr. James T. Booth, J.C.D.  
The Chancery Office  
Alcala Park  
San Diego, California 92110

Dear Monsignor Booth:

Thank you for your kind letter with the enclosed check in the amount of \$2000.00. I sincerely appreciate your consideration in our behalf.

It was indeed our privilege to have had the opportunity of rendering care to Father O'Connor and we have been blessed many times as a result.

Be assured of a remembrance in my prayers.  
May many blessings be yours this New Year.

Sincerely yours,

*Sister Rosaleen*

Sister Rosaleen

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**BYRNE & COUGHLIN**  
ATTORNEYS AT LAW  
ANDRESON BUILDING  
SAN BERNARDINO, CALIFORNIA

*O'Connor, Michael J*

LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT

OF

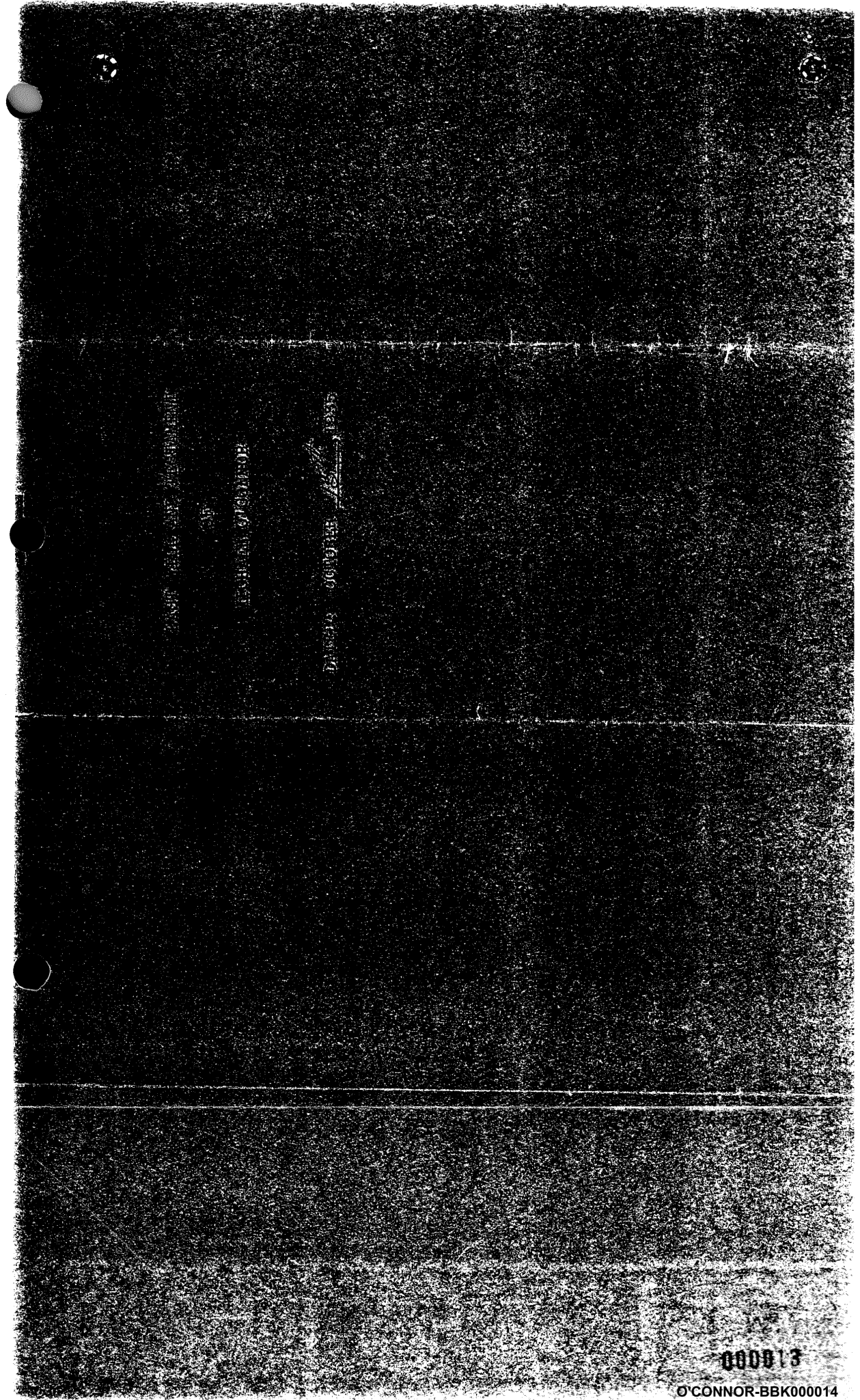
MICHAEL O'CONNOR

DATED: OCTOBER 15<sup>th</sup>, 1935

*(St. Bernardino's Church)*

Opened Nov. 2, 1965  
11:05 a.m. in Chancery  
by: James T. Booth  
in presence of:  
Donald J. Loxie

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LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT

IN THE NAME OF GOD, AMEN:

I--MICHAEL O'CONNOR, being of sound and disposing mind and memory, and not acting under fraud, duress, menace or undue influence of any one whomsoever, do hereby make, declare and publish this my last will and testament, as follows:

FIRST: I give, bequeath and devise to my brother, REVEREND JOHN JOSEPH O'CONNOR, of Torrington, Wyoming, all the property, both real and personal, of whatsoever kind and character, and wheresoever situate, of which I may die possessed.

SECOND: I appoint my said brother, REVEREND JOHN JOSEPH O'CONNOR, the Executor of this my Last Will and Testament, to act without bond, and authorize him to sell, lease or hypothecate my said estate, or any part thereof, for any reason, and without giving any notice of his intention so to do.

LASTLY: I hereby revoke all former wills by me made.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 15<sup>th</sup> day of October, 1935.

Michael O'Connor

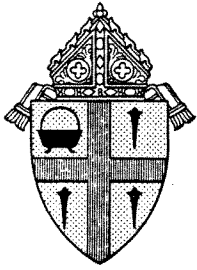
We, the undersigned, hereby certify and declare that the foregoing instrument, consisting of this page, was at the date thereof, by the said MICHAEL O'CONNOR, whose name is subscribed thereto, signed, sealed and published as, and declared by him to be his last will and testament in the presence of us, who, at his request, in his presence and in the presence of each other, have subscribed our names as witnesses thereto.

Bessie L. Smith

Residing at San Bernardino, California

Georgia L. Spear

Residing at Redlands, California.



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Chancellor

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Mrs Kathleen McCarthy  
9807 S. La Salle  
Los Angeles 90054

Sister of  
Father O'Connor

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From the desk of THE MOST REVEREND BISHOP

January 22, 1960

Myr B.

Your Excellency:

The Reverend Michael O'Connor,  
pastor of Our Lady of Angels Church,  
is the executor of the will of the  
late Monsignor Powers.

Mr. Redmond states that he does  
not have anything on the books for  
the late Monsignor Powers.

Respectfully,

Michael J. Byrne

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The Reverend Michael O'Connor  
Our Lady of Angels Church  
656 - 24th Street  
San Diego 2, California

Sisters of Mercy  
Holy Spirit Convent  
2775 - 55th Street  
San Diego 5, California



November 10, 1953

Very Reverend Michael O'Connor, V.F.  
151 West Alejo Road  
Palm Springs, California

Very Reverend and dear Father O'Connor:

You are hereby appointed Pastor of

Our Lady of Angels Church  
San Diego

effective Tuesday, November 17, 1953 at twelve noon.

With every good wish,

Sincerely in Christ,

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

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# PROFESSIONIS FIDEI ET IURISIURANDI FORMULA

Praescripta in Motu Proprio "Sacrorum Antistitum" Pii PP. X. die 1. mensis Sept., anni 1910.

Ego, N.N.,.....

firma fide credo et profiteor omnia et singula, quae continentur in symbolo Fidei, quo sancta Romana Ecclesia utitur, videlicet: Credo in unum Deum, Patrem omnipotentem, factorem caeli et terrae, visibilium omnium et invisibilium. Et in unum Dominum Iesum Christum, Filium Dei unigenitum. Et ex Patre natum ante omnia saecula. Deum de Deo, lumen de lumine, Deum verum de Deo vero. Genitum, non factum, consubstantialem Patri: per quem omnia facta sunt. Qui propter nos homines et propter nostram salutem descendit de caelis. Et incarnatus est de Spiritu Sancto ex Maria Virgine, et Homo factus est. Crucifixus etiam pro nobis; sub Pontio Pilato passus, et sepultus est. Et resurrexit tertia die, secundum Scripturas. Et ascendit in caelum, sedet ad dexteram Patris. Et iterum venturus est cum gloria iudicare vivos et mortuos; cuius regni non erit finis. Et in Spiritum Sanctum, Dominum, et vivificantem; qui ex Patre Filioque procedit. Qui cum Patre et Filio simul adoratur et conglorificatur, qui locutus est per Prophetas. Et Unam, Sanctam, Catholicam et Apostolicam Ecclesiam. Confiteor unum Baptisma in remissionem peccatorum. Et expecto resurrectionem mortuorum. Et vitam venturi saeculi. Amen. Apostolicas et ecclesiasticas traditiones, reliquasque eiusdem Ecclesiae observationes et constitutiones firmissime admitto et amplector. Item sacram Scripturam iuxta eum sensum, quem tenuit et tenet sancta Mater Ecclesia, cuius est iudicare de vero sensu et interpretatione sacrarum Scripturarum, admitto; nec eam unquam, nisi iuxta unanimum consensum Patrum, accipiam et interpretabor. Profiteor quoque septem esse vere et proprie Sacramenta novae Legis a Iesu Christo Domino nostro instituta, atque ad salutem humani generis, licet non omnia singulis, necessaria, scilicet, Baptismum, Confirmationem, Eucharistiam, Paenitentiam, Extremam unctionem, Ordinem et Matrimonium: illaque gratiam conferre; et ex his Baptismum, Confirmationem et Ordinem sine sacrilegio reiterari non posse. Receptos quoque et approbatos Ecclesiae Catholicae ritus in supradictorum omnium Sacramentorum sollemni administratione recipio et admitto. Omnia et singula, quae de peccato originali et de iustificatione in sacrosancta Tridentina Synodo definita et declarata fuerunt, amplector et recipio. Profiteor pariter in Missa offerri Deo verum, proprium et propitiatorium Sacrificium pro vivis et defunctis; atque in sanctissimo Eucharistiae sacramento esse vere, realiter et substantialiter Corpus et Sanguinem una cum anima et divinitate Domini nostri Iesu Christi, fierique conversionem totius substantiae panis in corpus et totius substantiae vini in Sanguinem, quam conversionem Catholica Ecclesia Transubstantiationem appellat. Fateor etiam sub altera tantum specie totum atque integrum Christum, verumque Sacramentum sumi. Constanter teneo Purgatorium esse, animasque ibi detentas fidelium suffragiis iuari. Similiter et Sanctos una cum Christo regnantes venerandos atque invocandos esse, eosque orationes Deo pro nobis offerre, atque eorum Reliquias esse venerandas. Firmiter assero imagines Christi, ac Deiparae semper Virginis, nec non aliorum Sanctorum habendas et retinendas esse, atque eis debitum honorem ac venerationem impertiendam. Indulgentiarum etiam potestatem a Christo in Ecclesia relictam fuisse, illarumque usum Christiano populo maxime salutarem esse affirmo. Sanctam, Catholicam et Apostolicam Romanam Ecclesiam, omnium ecclesiarum matrem et magistram agnosco, Romanoque Pontifice, beati Petri Apostolorum Principis successori, ac Iesu Christi Vicario veram obedientiam spondeo ac iuro. Caetera item omnia a sacris Canonibus et Oecumenicis Conciliis, ac praecipue a sacrosancta Tridentina Synodo, et ab oecumenico Concilio Vaticano tradita, definita ac declarata, praesertim de Romani Pontificis Primatu et infallibili magisterio, indubitanter recipio atque profiteor; simulque contraria omnia, atque haereses quascumque ab Ecclesia damnatas et reiectas et anathematizatas, ego pariter damno, reiicio, et anathematizo. Hanc veram Catholicam Fidem, extra quam nemo salvus esse potest, quam in praesenti sponte profiteor et veraciter teneo, eandem integram et inviolatam usque ad extremum vitae spiritum

constantissime, Deo adiuvante, retinere et confiteri, atque a meis subditis, seu illis, quorum cura ad me in munere meo spectabit, teneri, et doceri et praedicari, quantum in me erit, curaturum, ego idem N. spondeo, voveo ac iuro.

Item firmiter amplector ac recipio omnia et singula, quae ab inerranti Ecclesiae magisterio definita, adserta ac declarata sunt, praesertim ea doctrinae capita, quae huius temporis erroribus directo adversantur. Ac primum quidem Deum, rerum omnium principium et finem, naturali rationis lumine per ea quae facta sunt, hoc est, per *visibilia* creationis opera, tanquam causam per effectus, certo cognosci, adeoque demonstrari etiam posse, profiteor. Secundo: Externa revelationis argumenta, hoc est, facta divina, in primisque miracula et prophetias admitto et agnosco tanquam signa certissima divinitus ortae Christianae Religionis, eademque teneo aetatum omnium atque hominum, etiam huius temporis, intelligentiae esse maxime accommodata. Tertio: Firma pariter fide credo, Ecclesiam, verbi revelati custodem et magistram, per ipsum verum atque historicum Christum, cum apud nos degeret, proxime ac directo institutam, eandemque super Petrum, apostolicae hierarchiae principem eiusque in aevum successores aedificatam. Quarto: Fidei doctrinam ab Apostolis per orthodoxos Patres eodem sensu eademque semper sententia ad nos usque transmissam, sincere recipio; ideoque prorsus reiicio haereticum commentum evolutionis dogmatum, ab uno in alium sensum transeuntium, diversum ab eo, quem prius habuit Ecclesia; pariterque damno errorem omnem, quo divino deposito, Christi Sponsae tradito ab Eaque fideliter custodiendo, sufficitur philosophicum inventum, vel creatio humanae conscientiae, hominum conatu sensim efformatae et in posterum indefinito progressu perficiendae. Quinto: Certissime teneo ac sincere profiteor, Fidem non esse caecum sensum religionis e latebris *subconscientiae* erumpentem, sub pressione cordis et inflexionis voluntatis moraliter informatae, sed verum assensum intellectus veritati extrinsecus acceptae ex auditu, quo nempe, quae a Deo personali, creatore ac domino nostro dicta, testata et revelata sunt, vera esse credimus, propter Dei auctoritatem summe veracis.

"I . . . firmly hold and accept each and every definition of the unerring teaching of the Church, with all she has maintained and declared, but especially those points of doctrine which expressly combat the errors of our time. In the first place I profess my belief that God, the beginning and end of all, can be certainly known and therefore proved to exist by the natural light of reason from the things that are made, that is, from the visible works of the creation as a cause from its effects. Next I recognize and acknowledge the external arguments of revelation, that is, divine facts, especially miracles and prophecies, as most certain signs of the divine origin of the Christian religion, and I hold that these are altogether suited to the understanding of every age and of all men, also of our times. Thirdly, I likewise hold with firm faith that the Church, the guardian and exponent of the revealed Word, was proximately and directly founded by the true and historic Christ Himself, while He dwelt amongst us, and that she was also built upon Peter, the Prince of the Apostolic Hierarchy, and upon his successors to the end of time. Fourthly, I sincerely accept the teaching of faith as transmitted down to us from the Apostles through the orthodox Fathers in the same sense and even in the same wording; and, therefore, I wholly reject the heretical notions of the evolution of dogmas, which pass from one sense to another alien to that which the Church held from the start; and I likewise condemn every error whereby is substituted for the divine deposit, entrusted by Christ to His Spouse and by Her to be faithfully guarded, a philosophic system or the creation of a human consciousness, gradually refined by the striving of men and finally to be perfected hereafter by indefinite progress. Fifthly, I hold for certain and sincerely profess that Faith is not a blind religious sense making its way out of the hidden regions of the sub-liminal consciousness, morally tinged by the influence of heart and will, but is a true assent of the intellect to truth received from without by hearing, an assent whereby we believe to be true, because of the authority of the all-true God, whatever by the personal God, our Creator and Lord, has been spoken, testified and revealed.

Me etiam, qua par est, reverentia, subiicio totoque animo adhaereo damnationibus, declarationibus, praescriptis omnibus, quae in Encyclicis litteris "Pascendi" et in Decreto "Lamentabili" continentur, praesertim circa eam quam historiam dogmatum vocant. Idem reprobo errorem affirmantium, propositam ab Ecclesia fidem posse historiae repugnare, et Catholica dogmata, quo sensu nunc intelliguntur, cum verioribus Christianae religionis originibus componi non posse. Damno quoque ac reiicio eorum sententiam, qui dicunt, Christianum hominem eruditorem induere personam duplicem, aliam credentis, aliam historici, quasi liceret historico ea retinere, quae credentis fidei contradicant, aut praemissas adstruere, ex quibus consequatur dogmata esse aut falsa aut dubia, modo haec directo non denegentur. Reprobo pariter eam Scripturae Sanctae diiudicandae atque interpretandae rationem, quae, Ecclesiae traditione, analogia Fidei, et Apostolicae Sedis normis posthabitis, *rationalistarum* commentis inhacret, et critice textus velut unicam supremamque regulam, haud minus licenter quam temere amplectitur. Sententiam praeterea illorum reiicio qui tenent, doctori disciplinae historicae theologicae tradendae, aut iis de rebus scribenti seponendam prius esse opinionem ante conceptam sive de supernaturali origine Catholicae traditionis, sive de promissa divinitus ope ad perennem conservationem uniuscuiusque revelati veri; deinde scripta Patrum singulorum interpretanda solis scientiae principiis, sacra qualibet auctoritate seclusa, eaque iudicii libertate, qua profana quaevis monumenta solent investigari. In universum denique me alienissimum ab errore profiteor, quo *modernistae* tenent in sacra traditione nihil inesse divini; aut, quod longe deterius, pantheistico sensu illud admittunt; ita ut nihil iam restet nisi nudum factum et simplex, communibus historiae factis aequandum; hominum nempe sua industria, sollertia, ingenio scholam a Christo eiusque Apostolis inchoatam per subsequentes aetates continuantium. Proinde fidem Patrum firmissime retineo et ad extremum vitae spiritum retinebo, de charismate *veritatis certo*, quod est, fuit eritque semper in *episcopatus ab Apostolis successione*; non ut id

"I further, with all due reverence, submit and with my whole mind adhere to all the condemnations, declarations, and ordinances contained in the Encyclical letter *Pascendi* and in the Decree *Lamentabili*, particularly regarding what is called the history of Dogma.

"I also reject the error of those who aver that the Faith proposed by the Church may be in conflict with history, and that Catholic dogmas in the sense in which they are now understood cannot be harmonized with the more truthful "origins" of Christianity. Moreover, I condemn and reject the opinion which declares that a Christian man of better culture can assume a dual personality, one as a believer and another as an historian, as if it were permissible for the historian to hold fast what his faith as a believer contradicts, or to lay down premises from which there follows the falsity or the uncertainty of dogmas, provided only that these are not directly denied. Likewise I reject that method of estimating and interpreting Holy Writ, which, setting aside the Church's tradition and the analogy of Faith and the rules of the Apostolic See, adopts the rationalists' principles and with equal arbitrariness and rashness considers criticism of the text the one only supreme rule. Furthermore, I reject the opinion of those who hold that a teacher of the science of Historical Theology or the writer on the subject must first put aside the notions previously conceived about the supernatural origin of Catholic tradition or about the divine aid promised for the perpetual preservation of each revealed truth; then, that the writings of individual Fathers must be interpreted solely by the data of science, without any reference to sacred authority, and with that freedom of judgment wherewith every profane record is usually examined.

"Finally and in general, I declare myself to be far removed from the error of the modernists who hold that in sacred tradition there is nothing inherently divine; or who—far worse still—admit it in a pantheistic sense; so that thus there would remain only a bare simple fact equal to the ordinary facts of history, viz., that the school started by Christ and His Apostles finds, in the ages that follow, men to carry it on by their energy, their skill, and their genius. Wherefore most firmly do I retain and to my last breath will I retain the Faith of the Fathers of the Church concerning the sure endowment of truth, which

teneatur quod melius et aptius videri possit secundum suam cuiusque aetatis culturam, sed ut *nunquam aliter credatur, nunquam aliter* intelligatur absoluta et immutabilis veritas ab initio per Apostolos praedicata.

Haec omnia spondeo me fideliter, integre sincereque servaturum et inviolabiliter custoditurum, nusquam ab iis sive in docendo sive quomodolibet verbis scriptisque deflectendo. Sic spondeo, sic iuro, sic me Deus adjuvet, et haec sancta Dei Evangelia.

is, has been, and ever will be in the succession of the Episcopate from the Apostles; not in such a way that what seems best and most fitting according to the refinement of each age may be held, but that the absolute and unchangeable truth preached from the beginning by the Apostles may never in any different wise be believed, never in any different wise be understood.

All this I promise that I will faithfully, entirely and sincerely keep and inviolably guard, and from this never in teaching or howsoever by word or writing in the least depart. So I promise, so I swear, so help me God and these His holy gospels.

Subscribitur Michael Connor  
Ex loco Palm Springs.  
Die \_\_\_\_\_ mensis \_\_\_\_\_ A.D. \_\_\_\_\_

Iuramentum fide coram nobis emissum testamur.

N. James M. Tabary

Episcopus (vel Delegatus Episcopi) \_\_\_\_\_

"Si quis autem, quod Deus avertat, iusiurandum violare ausus fuerit, ad Sancti Officii tribunal illico deferatur." (Motu Proprio "Sacrorum Antistitum.")

#### REMARKS

1. The Profession of Faith is made and the Oath taken before the *Ordinary* of the place or his *Delegate* by:
  - a) the Vicar General,
  - b) the Diocesan Consultors,
  - c) the Censor of books,
  - d) Pastors,
  - e) Confessors and Preachers before they receive the faculty to exercise their functions,
  - f) Clerics called to Subdeaconship,
  - g) Superiors and Professors in the Grand Seminary.(Cf. C. 1406 et Motu Prop. Pii PP. X., Sept. 1. 1910.)
2. When several take the Oath at the same time, one may read the formula aloud; at the end each one, placing his hand on the gospels reads the words "Haec omnia spondeo," etc., and signs his name. (S. C. Consist. Oct. 25, 1910.)
3. The document is to be kept in the safe of the diocesan curia.



March 16, 1949

The Rev. Michael O'Connor  
P.O. Box 1347  
Palm Springs, California

My dear Father O'Connor:

Let me convey to you my deepest sympathy in the great bereavement you are now experiencing because of the death of your beloved father in Ireland. I had a similar experience on two different occasions and I know how painful it is.

You must bear in mind that we have so many consolations in these inevitable happenings that our grief is somewhat mitigated. They have had faith to move mountains and the love of God that guarantees immediate salvation.

I am greatly disappointed that I will not be able to attend your Mass of Requiem at Riverside because I have a Solemn High Requiem Mass in my own church for a funeral that has been already arranged for Friday morning but I will not forget in my Masses and other prayers your beloved father.

With very kind personal regards and good wishes,  
I am,

Very sincerely yours,

Right Reverend Monsignor  
Thomas J. McNamara

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Encl.

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March 19, 1948

Very Rev. Michael O'Conroy, V.F.  
151 West Alejo Road  
Palm Springs, California

Very Reverend and dear Father:

I am instructed by His Excellency to inform you that it is incumbent on you to take the Oath against Modernism and an Oath of Allegiance at your earliest convenience according to the forms herewith. This procedure is necessary because of your appointment as Vicar Forane of the Palm Springs Deanery.

A priest of your choice is hereby authorized to exact these declarations and to bear witness to your signature. Please return completed forms to me at this office.

With every best wish, I am

Sincerely yours,

Right Rev. Monsignor  
Thomas J. McNamara,  
C H A N C E L L O R.

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March 13, 1948

Reverend Michael J. O'Connor  
St. John's Church  
1620 Lincoln Avenue  
San Diego, California

Dear Father O'Connor:

His Excellency the Most Reverend Bishop has approved your appointment to be Deacon of Honor to His Excellency, at the Solemn Pontifical High Mass, Holy Thursday at 10:00 a.m., in St. Joseph's Cathedral.

His Excellency has expressed the desire that all will look up the ceremonies and be familiar with them.

With every best wish, I remain

Sincerely in Christ,

Rev. Richard R. Daniels  
S E C R E T A R Y

October 19, 1946

Rev. Michael O'Connor,  
St. Mary's Rectory,  
147 E. 7th Avenue,  
Escondido, California

Dear Father O'Connor:

After your arrival in Palm Springs, the Reverend Father C.J. Moynihan, recently in Palm City, will arrive to assist you.

Father Moynihan speaks Spanish fluently, so he should be a great help in evangelizing the Mexican Mission in Palm Springs. Please take a special interest in Father Moynihan, who understands clearly the conditions on which his stay in Palm Springs depends. The opportunity may present itself for me to have a brief visit with you shortly after my return from Boston on October 31.

With renewed appreciation for your loyal cooperation, believe me to be,

Your devoted servant in Christ,

Bishop of San Diego.

Enclosure-copy  
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October 14, 1946

The Reverend Michael O'Connor  
St. Mary's Rectory  
147 E. 7th Avenue  
Escondido, California

Dear Father O'Connor:

Word came by telephone from Father Hill, now in New York, that he plans to return to Escondido in time for the Masses next Sunday.

You will probably wish to make some plans for your vacation. I will be thankful, however, if you remain in Escondido until Father Hill actually arrives.

Please try to call here at the Chancery, Friday morning, October 18th, and if you can do that conveniently, kindly telephone me.

With every best wish,

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Bishop of San Diego.

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August 26, 1946

The Reverend Michael O'Connor  
147 E. 7th Avenue  
Escondido, California

Dear Father O'Connor:

This office has been offered two lots, once owned by Father Peter Connolly, in La Quinta Cemetery near Palm Springs.

I would like to know if this cemetery has been kept up in good condition, if Catholics are buried there by authorization of the Diocese, and what is the price of the lots therein. This will guide the office in accepting or rejecting the offer.

Very sincerely,

Rt. Rev. Monsignor  
Thomas J. McNamee,  
C H A N C E L L O R.

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July 24th, 1946

The Rev. M. J. O'Connor  
9807 So. LaSalle Street  
Los Angeles, California

Dear Father O'Connor:

The Most Reverend Bishop directs me to write you to inform you that you are to report at Escondido on Saturday July 27th. You will fill in for Father Hill, while he is on his vacation. You will say three Masses on Sunday, while in this Parish.

His Excellency wonders, if you do not think it is wise to leave the priest at Palm Springs for the remainder of the Summer.

His Excellency also wishes you to come by the Chancery Office, before you go to Escondido.

With every good wish and blessing, I beg to remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Rev. B. Francis Ross  
S E C R E T A R Y



ARMY AIR FORCES FLEXIBLE GUNNERY SCHOOL  
KINGMAN, ARIZONA

May 19th, 1943

The Most Rev. Charles F. Buddy D.D.,  
1528 Fourth Ave.,  
San Diego.

Your Excellency:

Your gracious Easter greetings helped to make my stay in the foreign land of the East much more pleasant. For which I thank you sincerely.

The Chaplain's School and its rigors left me in fairly good condition to resume once more a life on the Desert - the only thing that worries me here is the constant dust in the air.

My work here began last Saturday and it promises to keep me very busy. This is large camp with - I should judge - a twenty five percent Catholic group of the total. I wish to pay my sincerest compliments





ARMY AIR FORCES FLEXIBLE GUNNERY SCHOOL  
KINGMAN, ARIZONA

to Fr. Vorst - the local pastor - who stands, in the midst of his own busy parochial duties to cater to the needs of the Catholic men of this Post. Fr. Vorst has also offered, in his grand generosity to help me at any time that I should call for assistance. I may need his help because, I intend to provide the Mass and the Sacraments for the men at the Sub-base at Yucca, thirty miles from here.

With my best wishes for your health and well being,

I remain,

Your obedient servant,

Michael O'Connor  
Chaplain, 1<sup>st</sup> Lt.

April 21, 1943

Chaplain Michael O'Connor  
1st Lieutenant A.U.S.  
Chaplains' School  
Harvard University  
Cambridge, Massachusetts

Dear Father O'Connor:

Although you dispensed me from a reply, you must have a line of Easter greeting and cordial good wishes.

You will be pleased to know that Chaplain Daniel Gleeson, U.S.A., formerly of St. Louis, has been assigned to the Torney Hospital at Palm Springs. This will be a substantial relief to Father Raley who, to his credit, kept his chin up under the strain of overwork. Recently we won a point with Father Raley on insisting that he employ a housekeeper.

If necessary, we shall continue to do block-busting until we get an adequate number of Catholic Chaplains in the service.

Praying the Holy Spirit to guide and protect you and renewing sincere esteem, believe me always

Cordially yours in the Risen Savior,

Bishop of San Diego.

School of Chaplains,  
Harvard Univ.,  
Cambridge, Mass.

Your Excellency:

All your kindness and  
helpfulness to me in securing  
my appointment as a Chaplain  
in the Army as well as your  
many past favours is very  
much appreciated by me. I  
feel especially grateful in having  
this opportunity of attending such  
a very fine school as this  
Chaplains School is.

After some twelve years  
of Desert Heat I am not  
very much troubled by the cold  
spell now enveloping this Eastern  
Coast.

Once more I sincerely thank  
you for all your kindness  
I am  
your obedient servant  
Michael Bond-St.

9807 S. La Salle  
Los Angeles

The Most Rev. Charles F. Buddy D.D.,  
1528 Fourth Ave.,  
San Diego.

My Dear Bishop:

My appointment as a  
Chaplain has finally gone  
through - I am ordered to  
report to the Chaplain's School  
at Harvard on April 1<sup>st</sup>.

I wish to thank you sincerely  
for your great help and also  
to assure you that I shall do  
my best to fulfill my duty -

Thanking you again I remain  
Your obedient servant  
Michael O'Connell

March 9, 1943

Rev. Michael O'Connor  
9207 La Salle  
Los Angeles, California

Dear Father O'Connor:

Many thanks for your thoughtful courtesy in advising me of your commission for the regular Army. Sincere congratulations on passing the test and getting the Go signal.

Many of our applicants here are still awaiting the final word.

Judging from your record of the past you will make good wherever you are sent because you have the sand to stay with it in all kinds of weather. My ardent hope is that you will be sent back to Southern California where the need for Catholic Chaplains is still pressing.

Please command me if in any way I can serve you.

With sincere esteem and a triple blessing,

Faithfully yours in Christ,

Bishop of San Diego.

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O'Connor, Rev. Michael



BISHOP'S HOUSE  
DIOCESE OF FORT WAYNE  
FORT WAYNE, IND

April 4, 1942

Very Rev. Thomas J. McNamara  
1528 Fourth Street  
San Diego, California

Dear Father:

I dislike very much to bother you with the enclosed, but I know that the correspondent will not let me rest until I send her some sort of an answer.

Sincerely in Christ,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "J. J. [unclear]".

Bishop of Fort Wayne.

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April 13, 1942

His Excellency  
The Most Rev. John F. Noll, D.D.  
Bishop of Fort Wayne  
1415 West Washington Street  
Fort Wayne, Indiana

Most Reverend and dear Bishop:

Following receipt of your letter of April 4, I communicated by letter with Reverend Michael O'Connor concerning an Associated Press dispatch from Palm Springs covering the death and cremation of a Mr. J. S. Elliott. Reverend Michael O'Connor wrote me the letter of explanation herewith.

I can easily understand how Father O'Connor could be deceived by silence regarding the cremation, for most people know the strict attitude of our Church concerning this pagan practice and hence they would be very careful to keep their intentions regarding cremation from the Reverend Pastor. We have not yet reached the point when it becomes necessary to ask the surviving relatives whether the body will be cremated or not or whether cremation is specified in the will. At any rate, it is apparent that no liturgical services took place in the home or in the church. I hope the explanation and my few comments on the incident will give to Your Excellency sufficient argument to quiet the conscience of Miss Etta A. Murphy.

With very kind personal regards and every good wish,  
I am

Yours very sincerely,

Thomas J. McNamara,  
C H A N C E L L O R.

P.S. I am returning, herewith, the Associated Press release and the letter of Miss Etta A. Murphy.

T.J.McN.

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April 8, 1948

The Rev. Michael O'Connor  
P.O. Box 1480  
Palm Springs, California

Dear Father O'Connor:

Herewith are two letters, one from a Miss Etta A. Murphy and another from Bishop Noll asking for an explanation of the apparent violation of the church law as contained in an Associated Press report from Palm Springs also copied herewith. I request an answer by return mail so that I can forward your explanation and correction if necessary of the events reported by the Associated Press.

Hoping to hear from you as soon as possible, I am

Yours sincerely,

Thomas J. McNamara,  
C H A N C E L L O R.

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J. S. ELLIOTT, 66, FORMER AP OFFICER, DROPS DEAD  
PALM SPRINGS, Cal. March 12 (AP).-In the newly-  
completed home where he had hoped to spend his  
declining years, Jackson S. Elliott, 66, former  
assistant general manager of the Associated  
Press, will be paid last honors tomorrow  
morning.

The funeral services will be conducted by  
his friend, Father Michael O'Connor of Palm  
Springs, at 11 a.m. After cremation, the  
veteran newsman's ashes will be sent to New York.

Elliott died unexpectedly of a heart attack  
Tuesday night while walking with his wife, Mrs.  
Frances Savage Elliott, in the garden of his  
new winter home.

March 26, 1942

Father Quiz  
Our Sunday Visitor  
Huntington, Ind.

Dear Father Quiz:

I am enclosing a clipping from a daily paper in this locality.

Could you kindly inform me if ~~the Father~~ Michael O'Connor of Palm Springs, is at the present time serving as a Catholic priest. If so, since when did it become permissible, because of friendship, for a priest to officiate in any capacity at services for a person who has so little regard for religion as to adhere to the disposition of the body by cremation.

It is such instances as the enclosed which make it difficult to explain our religion to non-Catholics. If our Catholic priests throw aside the teachings of the Church, when it is a matter of friendship, how can those who are under their guidance be expected to live up to these teachings.

Sincerely yours,

(Miss) Etta A. Murphy

Pittsford Road  
Rutland, Vermont

OUR LADY OF SOLITUDE CHURCH  
151 West Alejo Road  
Palm Springs, California

April 11, 1942

The Very Rev. T. J. McNamara  
Chancellor  
1528 Fourth Avenue  
San Diego, California

Dear Father McNamara:

Mrs. Elliott and family who are Catholics asked that I come to their home to pray for their deceased husband and father, Mr. J. S. Elliott. This I did after being assured that the services would be attended by none but the members of the family. I was not told of the decision to cremate the remains of Mr. Elliott and knew nothing of it until I read it in the quoted press release.

I regret this incident very much and would have had nothing to do with it had I been informed of the intention to cremate Mr. Elliott's remains.

Hoping that this explanation will help those who seek to know.

Yours sincerely,

S/ Michael O'Connor

Michael O'Connor, Pastor

March 24, 1942

Rev. Michael O'Connor  
P.O. Box 1480  
Palm Springs, California

Dear Father O'Connor:

Please read the enclosed letter and give it whatever consideration possible. Also find enclosed herewith my answer to Major Sawyer.

With every good wish and blessing, believe me to be

Faithfully yours in Christ,

Bishop of San Diego.

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March 24, 1942

Major Brooke Sawyer  
Executive Officer  
Fifth Regiment  
City Hall  
Redlands, California

My dear Major Sawyer:

Your fine appreciation of Father Michael O'Connor of Palm Springs as expressed in your courtesy of March 16 is sincerely appreciated.

If the plan you propose is agreeable to Father O'Connor, and if indeed he can pass the required medical examination, he will have my cordial permission to be a full time Chaplain and to serve in this capacity until the completion of the war.

With all good wishes, and praying upon your valiant service the blessing of Almighty God, I remain

Very cordially yours,

Bishop of San Diego.

April 24, 1942

Rev. Michael O'Connor  
Our Lady of Solitude Church  
Palm Springs, California

Reverend and dear Father:

You are hereby granted a leave of absence  
from the Diocese of San Diego to act as  
Chaplain for a unit of the California State  
Guard.

Praying upon your new field of labor the  
blessing of Almighty God, believe me to be,  
with sincere esteem,

Your devoted servant in Christ,

Bishop of San Diego.

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August 26, 1941

The Rev. Michael O'Connor  
c/o Rev. Gerard Brenneke, O.F.M.  
P.O. Box 1394  
Banning, California

Dear Father O'Connor:

It was gratifying to learn yesterday by telephone that you are considerably improved in health and also to learn of your definite needs with regard to an assistant.

Apropos a letter was received this morning from the Reverend D. F. Ryan who tells me he is enjoying your hospitality in Banning and that he will probably go with you to Palm Springs when you return there. Please advise Father Ryan that there will be no accomodation for him in your home at Palm Springs because the Bishop plans to send another priest there as soon as possible. For good and sufficient reasons it would not be a wise move to admit this Father to your home in Palm Springs. He comes from an Archdiocese that can well afford to provide for him in other quarters if his health requires Palm Springs.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Bishop of San Diego.

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August 15, 1941

The Rev. Michael O'Connor  
P.O. Box 1480  
Palm Springs, California

Dear Father O'Connor:

It is my earnest hope that you are gradually gaining strength and at the same time giving yourself the rest that you need after the physical ordeal from which you have emerged so well.

This letter is to inquire with reference to an assistant for Palm Springs. Naturally there are several applicants for the place. Kindly advise me as to the following points:

1. When will you need a regular assistant?
2. Would one be of service to you now?
3. Would you wish to express any preference in the matter?
4. Confidentially, was Father Rastall altogether incapacitated from hearing confessions or could he undertake the work of an assistant?

There are two priests here from Chicago who tell me they require the climate of Palm Springs, but there is a serious doubt in my mind if either one could qualify and be of real help to you. It is often a difficult matter to take care of these outsiders even when they come with the highest recommendations from their Ordinaries. On the other hand, we do not own this wonderful climate and if we could help a brother priest regain his health christian charity would indicate our duty in the matter.

With all good wishes and renewed esteem,

Very cordially yours,

Bishop of San Diego.

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Our Lady of Solitude Church

Palm Springs, California

Wednesday.

Your Excellency:

Your continued good wishes and prayers for my restoration to full health are very much appreciated. I do hope that you are well and that you will find time in the midst of your many great problems to have some rest and vacation this summer.

I should like to have a regular assistant from November 1<sup>st</sup> to May 1<sup>st</sup>. I feel sufficiently restored to health to carry on alone in the meantime. Fr. Restall still has difficulty in hearing and can hear confessions only occasionally. Perhaps he has improved somewhat during the summer.

I should like to respectfully suggest that I need an active assistant for those six months particularly for this next winter. There are many calls on our line from the type of people at Palm Springs.

Thanking you for your kindness  
Michael O'Connell

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Our Lady of Solitude Church  
Palm Springs, California

June 10th  
The Most Rev. Charles F. Buddy D.D.,  
1548 - Fourth Ave.,  
San Diego.

Your Excellency:

Your kindness and  
generous remembrance in your prayers  
were very much appreciated by me  
during my recent illness and  
they helped very much in making  
those long days brighter.

I am happy to report  
that I have now attained practically  
complete recovery - Thank God.

However, the doctors recommend that  
I stay in Penning for some time to  
aid the restoration of my lung. From  
here, I can take care of my duties  
in Palm Springs after Fr. Maher leaves  
the end of the month.

Thanking you from my heart,  
Michael Conroy

St. Vincent's Hospital  
2131 West Third Street  
Los Angeles, California

May 9, 1941

Reverend Father Kenneth Stack  
Chancery Office  
1528 Fourth Avenue  
San Diego, California

Dear Father:

Would you please send me as soon as possible  
a check to cover the enclosed bills?

I am glad to report that my condition con-  
tinues to improve.

Thanking you very much, I am

Sincerely yours,

*Michael J. Connor*

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May 10, 1941

The Rev. Michael O'Connor  
St. Vincent's Hospital  
2131 West Third Street  
Los Angeles, California

Dear Father O'Connor:

Inclosed please find checks to cover your nursing care. Please be assured of our prayers and best wishes for your successful recovery.

With kind personal regards, I am,

Very sincerely,

Kenneth G. Stack,  
S E C R E T A R Y.

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APRIL 24, 1941

THE REV. MICHAEL O'CONNOR  
ST. VINCENT'S HOSPITAL  
2131 WEST THIRD  
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

DEAR FATHER O'CONNOR: YOUR FELLOW PRIESTS JOIN ME IN FERVENT PRAYERS FOR YOUR COMPLETE AND HAPPY RECOVERY. IT WAS MY PRIVILEGE TO OFFER HOLY MASS FOR YOU THIS MORNING. COURAGE. AFFECTIONATE BLESSING.

CHARLES F. BUDDY.

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:MICHAEL OCONNOR.

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Praescripta in Motu Proprio "Sacrorum Antistitum" Pii PP. X. die 1. mensis Sept., anni 1910.

Ego, N.N.,

*Michael O'Connor*

firma fide credo et profiteor omnia et singula, quae continentur in symbolo Fidei, quo sancta Romana Ecclesia utitur, videlicet: Credo in unum Deum, Patrem omnipotentem, factorem caeli et terrae, visibilium omnium et invisibilium. Et in unum Dominum Iesum Christum, Filium Dei unigenitum. Et ex Patre natum ante omnia saecula. Deum de Deo, lumen de lumine, Deum verum de Deo vero. Genitum, non factum, consubstantialem Patri: per quem omnia facta sunt. Qui propter nos homines et propter nostram salutem descendit de caelis. Et incarnatus est de Spiritu Sancto ex Maria Virgine, et Homo factus est. Crucifixus etiam pro nobis; sub Pontio Pilato passus, et sepultus est. Et resurrexit tertia die, secundum Scripturas. Et ascendit in caelum, sedet ad dexteram Patris. Et iterum venturus est cum gloria iudicare vivos et mortuos; cuius regni non erit finis. Et in Spiritum Sanctum, Dominum, et vivificantem; qui ex Patre Filioque procedit. Qui cum Patre et Filio simul adoratur et conglorificatur, qui locutus est per Prophetas. Et Unam, Sanctam, Catholicam et Apostolicam Ecclesiam. Confiteor unum Baptisma in remissionem peccatorum. Et expecto resurrectionem mortuorum. Et vitam venturi saeculi. Amen. Apostolicas et ecclesiasticas traditiones, reliquasque eiusdem Ecclesiae observationes et constitutiones firmissime admitto et amplector. Item sacram Scripturam iuxta eum sensum, quem tenuit et tenet sancta Mater Ecclesia, cuius est iudicare de vero sensu et interpretatione sacrarum Scripturarum, admitto; nec eam unquam, nisi iuxta unanimem consensum Patrum, accipiam et interpretabor. Profiteor quoque septem esse vere et proprie Sacramenta novae Legis a Iesu Christo Domino nostro instituta, atque ad salutem humani generis, licet non omnia singulis, necessaria, scilicet, Baptismum, Confirmationem, Eucharistiam, Paenitentiam, Extremam unctionem, Ordinem et Matrimonium: illaque gratiam conferre; et ex his Baptismum, Confirmationem et Ordinem sine sacrilegio reiterari non posse. Receptos quoque et approbatos Ecclesiae Catholicae ritus in supradictorum omnium Sacramentorum sollemni administratione recipio et admitto. Omnia et singula, quae de peccato originali et de iustificatione in sacrosancta Tridentina Synodo definita et declarata fuerunt, amplector et recipio. Profiteor pariter in Missa offerri Deo verum, proprium et propitiatorium Sacrificium pro vivis et defunctis; atque in sanctissimo Eucharistiae sacramento esse vere, realiter et substantialiter Corpus et Sanguinem una cum anima et divinitate Domini nostri Iesu Christi, fierique conversionem totius substantiae panis in corpus et totius substantiae vini in Sanguinem, quam conversionem Catholica Ecclesia Transubstantiationem appellat. Fateor etiam sub altera tantum specie totum atque integrum Christum, verumque Sacramentum sumi. Constanter teneo Purgatorium esse, animasque ibi detentas fidelium suffragiis iuvari. Similiter et Sanctos una cum Christo regnantes venerandos atque invocandos esse, eosque orationes Deo pro nobis offerre, atque eorum Reliquias esse venerandas. Firmiter assero imagines Christi, ac Deiparae semper Virginis, nec non aliorum Sanctorum habendas et retinendas esse, atque eis debitum honorem ac venerationem impertiendam. Indulgentiarum etiam potestatem a Christo in Ecclesia relictam fuisse, illarumque usum Christiano populo maxime salutarem esse affirmo. Sanctam, Catholicam et Apostolicam Romanam Ecclesiam, omnium ecclesiarum matrem et magistram agnosco, Romanoque Pontifice, beati Petri Apostolorum Principis successori, ac Iesu Christi Vicario veram obedientiam spondeo ac iuro. Caetera item omnia a sacris Canonibus et Oecumenicis Conciliis, ac praecipue a sacrosancta Tridentina Synodo, et ab oecumenico Concilio Vaticano tradita, definita ac declarata, praesertim de Romani Pontificis Primatu et infallibili magisterio, indubitanter recipio atque profiteor; simulque contraria omnia, atque haereses quascumque ab Ecclesia damnatas et reiectas et anathematizatas, ego pariter damno, reiicio, et anathematizo. Hanc veram Catholicam Fidem, extra quam nemo salvus esse potest, quam in praesenti sponte profiteor et firmiter teneo, eandem integram et inviolatam usque ad extremum vitae spiritum

constantissime, Deo adiuvante, retinere et confiteri, atque a meis subditis, seu illis, quorum cura ad me in munere meo spectabit, teneri, et doceri et praedicari, quantum in me erit, curaturum, ego idem N. spondeo, voveo ac iuro.

Item firmiter amplector ac recipio omnia et singula, quae ab inerranti Ecclesiae magisterio definita, adserta ac declarata sunt, praesertim ea doctrinae capita, quae huius temporis erroribus directo adversantur. Ac primum quidem Deum, rerum omnium principium et finem, naturali rationis lumine per ea quae facta sunt, hoc est, per *visibilia* creationis opera, tamquam causam per effectus, certo cognosci, adeoque demonstrari etiam posse, profiteor. Secundo: Externa revelationis argumenta, hoc est, facta divina, in primisque miracula et prophetias admitto et agnosco tamquam signa certissima divinitus ortae Christianae Religionis, eademque teneo aetatum omnium atque hominum, etiam huius temporis, intelligentiae esse maxime accommodata. Tertio: Firma pariter fide credo, Ecclesiam, verbi revelati custodem et magistram, per ipsum verum atque historicum Christum, cum apud nos degeret, proxime ac directo institutam, eandemque super Petrum, apostolicae hierarchiae principem eiusque in aevum successores aedificatam. Quarto: Fidei doctrinam ab Apostolis per orthodoxos Patres eodem sensu eademque semper sententia ad nos usque transmissam, sincere recipio; ideoque prorsus reiicio haereticum commentum evolutionis dogmatum, ab uno in alium sensum transeuntium, diversum ab eo, quem prius habuit Ecclesia; pariterque damno errorem omnem, quo divino deposito, Christi Sponsae tradito ab Eaque fideliter custodiendo, sufficitur philosophicum inventum, vel creatio humanae conscientiae, hominum conatu sensim efformatae et in posterum indefinito progressu perficiendae. Quinto: Certissime teneo ac sincere profiteor, Fidem non esse caecum sensum religionis e latebris *subconscientiae* erumpentem, sub pressione cordis et inflexionis voluntatis moraliter informatae, sed verum assensum intellectus veritati extrinsecus acceptae ex auditu, quo nempe, quae a Deo personali, creatore ac domino nostro dicta, testata et revelata sunt, vera esse credimus, propter Dei auctoritatem summe veracis.

"I . . . firmly hold and accept each and every definition of the unerring teaching of the Church, with all she has maintained and declared, but especially those points of doctrine which expressly combat the errors of our time. In the first place I profess my belief that God, the beginning and end of all, can be certainly known and therefore proved to exist by the natural light of reason from the things that are made, that is, from the visible works of the creation as a cause from its effects. Next I recognize and acknowledge the external arguments of revelation, that is, divine facts, especially miracles and prophecies, as most certain signs of the divine origin of the Christian religion, and I hold that these are altogether suited to the understanding of every age and of all men, also of our times. Thirdly, I likewise hold with firm faith that the Church, the guardian and exponent of the revealed Word, was proximately and directly founded by the true and historic Christ Himself, while He dwelt amongst us, and that she was also built upon Peter, the Prince of the Apostolic Hierarchy, and upon his successors to the end of time. Fourthly, I sincerely accept the teaching of faith as transmitted down to us from the Apostles through the orthodox Fathers in the same sense and even in the same wording; and, therefore, I wholly reject the heretical notions of the evolution of dogmas, which pass from one sense to another alien to that which the Church held from the start; and I likewise condemn every error whereby is substituted for the divine deposit, entrusted by Christ to His Spouse and by Her to be faithfully guarded, a philosophic system or the creation of a human consciousness, gradually refined by the striving of men and finally to be perfected hereafter by indefinite progress. Fifthly, I hold for certain and sincerely profess that Faith is not a blind religious sense making its way out of the hidden regions of the sub-liminal consciousness, morally tinged by the influence of heart and will, but is a true assent of the intellect to truth received from without by hearing, an assent whereby we believe to be true, because of the authority of the all-true God, whatever by the personal God, our Creator and Lord, has been spoken, testified and revealed.



Me etiam, qua par est, reverentia, subiicio totoque animo adhaereo damnationibus, declarationibus, praescriptis omnibus, quae in Encyclicis litteris "Pascendi" et in Decreto "Lamentabili" continentur, praesertim circa eam quam historiam dogmatum vocant. Idem reprobam errorem affirmantium, propositam ab Ecclesia fidem posse historiae repugnare, et Catholica dogmata, quo sensu nunc intelliguntur, cum verioribus Christianae religionis originibus componi non posse. Damno quoque ac reiicio eorum sententiam, qui dicunt, Christianum hominem eruditorem induere personam duplicem, aliam credentis, aliam historici, quasi liceret historico ea retinere, quae credentis fidei contradicant, aut praemissas adstruere, ex quibus consequatur dogmata esse aut falsa aut dubia, modo haec directo non denegentur. Reprobam pariter eam Scripturae Sanctae diiudicandae atque interpretandae rationem, quae, Ecclesiae traditione, analogia Fidei, et Apostolicae Sedis normis posthabitis, *rationalistarum* commentis inhaeret, et criticen textus velut unicam supremamque regulam, haud minus licenter quam temere amplectitur. Sententiam praeterea illorum reiicio qui tenent, doctori disciplinae historicae theologicae tradendae, aut iis de rebus scribenti seponendam prius esse opinionem ante conceptam sive de supernaturali origine Catholicae traditionis, sive de promissa divinitus ope ad perennem conservationem uniuscuiusque revelati veri; deinde scripta Patrum singulorum interpretanda solis scientiae principiis, sacra qualibet auctoritate seclusa, eaque iudicii libertate, qua profana quaevis monumenta solent investigari. In universum denique me alienissimum ab errore profiteor, quo *modernistae* tenent in sacra traditione nihil inesse divini; aut, quod longe deterius, pantheistico sensu illud admittunt; ita ut nihil iam restet nisi nudum factum et simplex, communibus historiae factis aequandum; hominum nempe sua industria, sollertia, ingenio scholam a Christo eiusque Apostolis inchoatam per subsequentes aetates continuantium. Proinde fidem Patrum firmissime retineo et ad extremum vitae spiritum retinebo, de charismate *veritatis certo*, quod est, fuit eritque semper in *episcopatus ab Apostolis successione*; non ut id

"I further, with all due reverence, submit and with my whole mind adhere to all the condemnations, declarations, and ordinances contained in the Encyclical letter *Pascendi* and in the Decree *Lamentabili*, particularly regarding what is called the history of Dogma.

"I also reject the error of those who aver that the Faith proposed by the Church may be in conflict with history, and that Catholic dogmas in the sense in which they are now understood cannot be harmonized with the more truthful "origins" of Christianity. Moreover, I condemn and reject the opinion which declares that a Christian man of better culture can assume a dual personality, one as a believer and another as an historian, as if it were permissible for the historian to hold fast what his faith as a believer contradicts, or to lay down premises from which there follows the falsity or the uncertainty of dogmas, provided only that these are not directly denied. Likewise I reject that method of estimating and interpreting Holy Writ, which, setting aside the Church's tradition and the analogy of Faith and the rules of the Apostolic See, adopts the rationalists' principles and with equal arbitrariness and rashness considers criticism of the text the one only supreme rule. Furthermore, I reject the opinion of those who hold that a teacher of the science of Historical Theology or the writer on the subject must first put aside the notions previously conceived about the supernatural origin of Catholic tradition or about the divine aid promised for the perpetual preservation of each revealed truth; then, that the writings of individual Fathers must be interpreted solely by the data of science, without any reference to sacred authority, and with that freedom of judgment wherewith every profane record is usually examined.

"Finally and in general, I declare myself to be far removed from the error of the modernists who hold that in sacred tradition there is nothing inherently divine; or who—far worse still—admit it in a pantheistic sense; so that thus there would remain only a bare simple fact equal to the ordinary facts of history, viz., that the school started by Christ and His Apostles finds, in the ages that follow, men to carry it on by their energy, their skill, and their genius. Wherefore most firmly do I retain and to my last breath will I retain the Faith of the Fathers of the Church concerning the sure endowment of truth, which

teneatur quod melius et aptius videri possit secundum suam cuiusque aetatis culturam, sed ut *nunquam aliter credatur, nunquam aliter* intelligatur absoluta et immutabilis veritas ab initio per Apostolos praedicata.

Haec omnia spondeo me fideliter, integre sincereque servaturum et inviolabiliter custoditurum, nusquam ab iis sive in docendo sive quomodolibet verbis scriptisque deflectendo. Sic spondeo, sic iuro, sic me Deus adjuvet, et haec sancta Dei Evangelia.

is, has been, and ever will be in the succession of the Episcopate from the Apostles; not in such a way that what seems best and most fitting according to the refinement of each age may be held, but that the absolute and unchangeable truth preached from the beginning by the Apostles may never in any different wise be believed, never in any different wise be understood.

All this I promise that I will faithfully, entirely and sincerely keep and inviolably guard, and from this never in teaching or howsoever by word or writing in the least depart. So I promise, so I swear, so help me God and these His holy gospels.

Subscribitur.....

Michael O'Connor

Ex loco.....

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1938

Iuramentum rite coram nobis emissum testamur.

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Daniel O'Donoghue

Episcopus (vel Delegatus Episcopi).....

"Si quis autem, quod Deus avertat, iusiurandum violare ausus fuerit, ad Sancti Officii tribunal illico deferatur." (Motu Proprio "Sacrorum Antistitum.")

#### REMARKS

1. The Profession of Faith is made and the Oath taken before the *Ordinary* of the place or his *Delegate* by:
  - a) the Vicar General,
  - b) the Diocesan Consultors,
  - c) the Censor of books,
  - d) Pastors,
  - e) Confessors and Preachers before they receive the faculty to exercise their functions,
  - f) Clerics called to Subdeaconship,
  - g) Superiors and Professors in the Grand Seminary.(Cf. C. 1406 et Motu Prop. Pii PP. X., Sept. 1. 1910.)
2. When several take the Oath at the same time, one may read the formula aloud; at the end each one, placing his hand on the gospels reads the words "Haec omnia spondeo," etc., and signs his name. (S. C. Consist. Oct. 25, 1910.)
3. The document is to be kept in the safe of the diocesan curia.

October 25, 1940

The Rev. Michael O'Connor  
P.O. Box 1480  
Palm Springs, California

Dear Father O'Connor:

The Reverend Matthew J. Rastall, a priest in good standing from the Archdiocese of Milwaukee is sojourning here at Mercy Hospital salutis causa. Father Rastall appears to be troubled very much like Bishop Hunt was with some ear complication which prevents him from hearing well. He could do plenty of work around a parish but he cannot hear confessions in the ordinary manner owing to this handicap. Could you use him for a month until we are able to place your regular assistant? If so, Father Rastall will be ready to come in time for the first Sunday in November. Kindly let me know by return mail if you could use him under the circumstances.

With all good wishes,

Very sincerely yours in Christ,

Bishop of San Diego.

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October 16, 1940

The Rev. Michael O'Connor  
P.O. Box 1480  
Palm Springs, California

Dear Father O'Connor:

Inclosed, herewith, please note a letter from one Alvin Weingarten and Leslie W. Evans. They describe a tract of property in Twentynine Palms which they are willing to donate to the church. We are, of course, writing them to the effect that we shall be glad to accept it. Please advise me, however, if this is the same property that you spoke to me about which would be donated to the Diocese for a church in Twentynine Palms.

If this parcel could be used at all for a church and rectory it would be more feasible to put it to work than to buy some other property, even if it should be off the beaten path.

Please get in touch with Father Hahn and give me the benefit of your advice in the matter.

My conviction is that the property you speak of seems rather high in price. It may be, of course, that building is more expensive in Twentynine Palms.

You have my telegram requesting that the property in question which has the improvement on it and which was offered to us for \$5500 should be first appraised by an expert and then it would be well for us to know what we could build a modest rectory for which would include some kind of lean-to practical for a Sunday chapel.

Thanking you for your interest in this matter and with all good wishes

Very cordially yours,

Bishop of San Diego.

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29 Palms, Calif.  
October 10th. 1940

Catholic Bishop of San Diego,  
Rt. Rev. Charles F. Buddy, D.D.  
San Diego, Calif.

Your Grace:

We, the undersigned, wish to advise that as of this date we herewith donate to the Catholic Bishop of San Diego, the following described property, to wit:

All of Lot 72 - Tract 2560 - San Bernardino County and the following described parcel of property, the same being a plot of ground 103.70 feet x 156.08 feet and legally described as follows: Starting at the S.E. corner of Section 29, S.B.B. & M., thence 1326.21 feet in westerly direction along the south line of Section 29 to a point, thence North 0 35' 31" East 701.56 feet to the point of beginning of the property to be herein conveyed, thence South 89 01' 00" West 103.70 feet to a point, thence South 0 35' 31" West 156.08 feet to a point, thence North 89 01' 00" East 103.70 feet to a point, thence North 0 35' 31" East 156.08 feet to the point of beginning of the property to be herein conveyed.

The above described property is all adjacent to Lot No. 71 - Tract 2560.

Upon your acceptance of this donation will you be so kind as to advise to whom the above described property shall be deeded.

Respectfully yours,

  
Alvin Weingarten

  
Leslie W. Evans

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ALLEN BALCH  
DESIGNER - BUILDER  
TWENTYNINE PALMS  
CALIFORNIA

Oct. 14th 1940

Mrs. Ed J. Kenney  
Local

Dear Mrs. Kenney

Complying with your request  
I would appraise the home and furnishings  
of Mr. Huntington as in the neighborhood of  
\$5500.00. This does not include the lot  
value as I understand more than ten  
acres is included in the asking price.

Yours truly  
Allen Balch

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# Bank of America

NATIONAL TRUST AND SAVINGS ASSOCIATION

Palm Springs Branch

Palm Springs, California,  
October 16th, 1940.

Most Reverend Bishop Charles F. Euddy,  
1528 4th Ave.,  
San Diego, California.

Your Excellency:

Escrow No. 950-1292

Enclosed are instructions to this Bank prepared for the purchase by you of property in Twenty-nine Palms, California, for the total cash purchase price of \$5500.00.

If these instructions meet with your approval, please execute them at the bottom of the third page at the place provided, and return them to us.

As you will notice on the second page, the escrow is contingent on your approval of certain appraisals of the property, and the transaction will not be completed until you have informed us that you are satisfied in this respect.

We are enclosing one letter of appraisal that has been deposited with us for this purpose. We understand others will follow.

When returning the instructions, we shall be glad to receive your check for \$5544.00 to cover the following items:

Purchase price	\$5500.00
Escrow fee and recording deed	6.00
Estimated prorations	38.00
	<u>\$5544.00</u>

Exact statement, and adjustment if necessary, will be rendered on close of the transaction.

Very truly yours,



Gladys G. Oliver,  
Escrow Officer.

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Salesman's License Card No. \_\_\_\_\_

Issued to \_\_\_\_\_  
showing such Salesman to operate under

Broker's License issued to \_\_\_\_\_

Exhibited \_\_\_\_\_  
(date)

Broker's License Card No. \_\_\_\_\_

Issued to \_\_\_\_\_

Exhibited \_\_\_\_\_  
(date)

Escrow No. 950-1292

Escrow Officer Gladys G. Oliver

TRUST DEPARTMENT

**Bank of America**  
NATIONAL TRUST AND SAVINGS ASSOCIATION

ESCROW INSTRUCTIONS

BUYER

Palm Springs, California, Oct. 11 19 40

Palm Springs #950 Branch

Bank of America National Trust and Savings Association,

Gentlemen:

In consideration of your acting as escrow holder herein, it is agreed that you shall in no case or event be liable for the failure of any of the conditions of this escrow or damage caused by the exercise of your discretion in any particular manner, or for any other reason, except gross negligence or willful misconduct with reference to the said escrow, and you shall not be liable or responsible for your failure to comply with any of the provisions of, any agreement, contract or other document filed herewith or referred to herein, for forgeries or false personations in connection with these instructions, instruments of record, or those handled in this escrow.

It is further agreed that if any controversy arises between the parties hereto or with any third person, you shall not be required to determine the same or take any action in the premises, but you may await the settlement of any such controversy by final appropriate legal proceedings or otherwise as you may require, notwithstanding anything in the following instructions to the contrary, and in such event you shall not be liable for interest or damage.

THE undersigned purchaser will hand you the sum of \$5500.00, and an additional amount to pay the purchaser's escrow fee of \$5.00, and for recording the deed, and for proration charges, if any;

I will also execute and deliver to you before the time limit hereinafter named, any instruments, including notes secured by encumbrances I create, and additional funds required from me to enable you to comply with these instructions, all of which you are authorized and instructed to use provided instruments have been filed for record entitling you to procure assurance of title in the form of a Owner's Policy of title Insurance issued by Security Title Insurance and Guarantee Co., San Bernardino, California,

in the issuing company's usual form, with liability of such title company limited to not less than \$ 5000.00 (if a Continuation Guarantee or Certificate is procured, the above liability shall apply to it only), on the following described property in the COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO State of California, viz:

LOT No. 71, Tract No. 2560 as

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as per map recorded in Book 36 Page 62 of Maps records of said County showing:  
Title vested in

ROMAN CATHOLIC BISHOP OF SAN DIEGO, a Corporation Sole,  
Charles Francis Buddy, Present Encumbent.

Free of encumbrances except General and special  
taxes for the fiscal year 19 40 19 41, and PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES, if any, of any former owner,  
if same are a lien against this property, and any and all taxes levied or assessed subsequent to date of these in-  
structions;

ASSESSMENTS and ~~PROPERTY TAXES~~ None except those collected with the taxes;

Conditions, restrictions, reservations, rights, rights of way and easements, now of record, ~~of record~~  
( No further approval necessary)

~~Mortgage~~

Trust Deed securing an indebtedness of \$ nil, as per its terms, now of record;

~~Mortgage~~  
Trust Deed ~~for~~ form, executed by  
Securing Note for \$ in favor of  
dated due years after date with interest at per cent  
per annum, from payable  
at  
principal and interest due and payable in installments of \$ or more, each on the day of every  
month, beginning

Obtain for the purchaser herein a bill of sale to Roman Catholic Bishop of  
San Diego, a Corporation Sole, Charles Francis Buddy, Present Encumbent,  
executed by Alvin Weingarten and Esther B. Weingarten, husband and wife,  
covering all the personal property consisting of household furniture, furnishings  
fittings and equipment located in the premises as of this date. Notice of Sale  
and Chattel Mortgage Search is Waived.

*aw* THIS escrow is contingent on the obtaining by the purchase of an appraisal of  
the property by a person to be selected by the purchaser, and showing an appraised  
value in an amount acceptable to the purchaser herein. The undersigned purchaser  
agrees that approval of said appraisal will not be withheld arbitrarily, but will  
be approved if reasonably commensurate with the consideration of the property  
being paid through this escrow. Expense of appraisal to be borne by buyer.

If said assurance of title does not cover municipal liens in the city named, obtain a municipal lien report  
dated during this escrow from any agency customarily employed by you, showing said property clear of such  
liens, not excepted above. Should said municipal lien report disclose any liens not excepted above, it will be  
satisfactory if said liens are paid through this escrow and without cost to me.



SELLER

Palm Springs, Calif., October 11th 19 40

The foregoing instructions, terms and conditions are hereby approved and accepted in their entirety and concurred in by me, and I will supply you with a deed executed by Alvin Weingarten and Esther B. Weingarten, husband and wife, of the property described together with fire and/or other insurance demanded, if any, and bill of sale as called for by the purchaser herein;

which you are authorized to deliver, provided that within the time limit specified you hold for the account of Alvin Weingarten and Esther B. Weingarten the sum of \$ 5500.00 together with any additional moneys and all instruments deliverable to me under these instructions.

You will, as my agent, assign any fire and/or other insurance of mine handed to you for use in this escrow.

Instruct the Title Company to begin search of title at once and I will pay their charges on demand and all other charges and expenses incurred by you for me regardless of the consummation of this escrow. I also will pay on demand all costs and charges (except those which the buyer has agreed to pay) as follows: Charges for assurance of title, conveyancing charges, recording charges, transfer of insurance, if pro-rated and your seller's escrow fee as charged. Attach Internal Revenue Stamps to the deed delivered in the amount of \$ 5.50, and deduct from the proceeds coming to undersigned in this escrow.

You are authorized and instructed to pay at close of escrow the following items for which I will hand you additional funds if necessary; any sum necessary to pay my pro-rata of taxes, assessments, bonds, interest, or rents as demanded by the above intructions of the buyer, and the following:

Commission of \$ nil to nil PAY Bank of America NT&SA its demand for release of present encumbrance on the property affected hereby.

Issue your check for balance in favor of Alvin Weingarten and Esther B. Weingarten and mail to the undersigned.

Instruct the County Recorder to mail all documents recorded for me to the address below.

In the event that the terms and conditions of this escrow have not been complied with on or before the 1st day of November 19 40 at the hour of 3:00 P. M., you are authorized and instructed to complete this escrow as soon as practicable thereafter.

PROVIDED, HOWEVER, that at any time after said day and hour, should I have fulfilled my obligations under this escrow while there exists any default of the obligations of the buyer herein, I may demand the return of the documents and/or moneys deposited by me in this escrow, and upon being reimbursed for all of your charges and expenses in connection herewith, you are to comply with such demand and terminate the escrow.

PROVIDED ALSO, that, at any time after said day and hour, should the buyer have fulfilled their obligations under this escrow while there exists any default of my obligations herein, the buyer may demand the return of the documents and/or moneys deposited by them in this escrow, and upon being reimbursed for all charges and expenses in connection herewith, you are to comply with such demand and terminate the escrow.

NO COMMISSION IS PAYABLE OUT OF THIS ESCROW OTHER THAN AS HEREINABOVE SET FORTH.

EACH OF THE UNDERSIGNED STATES HE HAS READ THE FOREGOING INSTRUCTIONS AND UNDERSTANDS AND AGREES TO THEM.

Address: Alvin Weingarten Phone:

WALTER M. BERG  
GENERAL CONTRACTOR  
TWENTYNINE PALMS  
CALIFORNIA

October 17, 1940

Rev. O'conner

Palm, Springs, California.

Dear Father O'Conner:

I made an appraisal as requested on the  
Winegarten House in Twentynine Palms, and find it a well  
constructed house; Worth the \$5500.00 they are asking, as  
the four lots given with the transaction enhances the  
value considerable.

Happy to be of service to you and Father

Hahn, I am,

Sincerely,

*Walter M. Berg*  
WALTER M. BERG

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Our Lady of Solitude Church

Palm Springs, California

Oct. 18<sup>th</sup>, 1940.

The Most Rev. Charles F. Buddy, D. D.,  
1528 Fourth Ave.,  
San Diego.

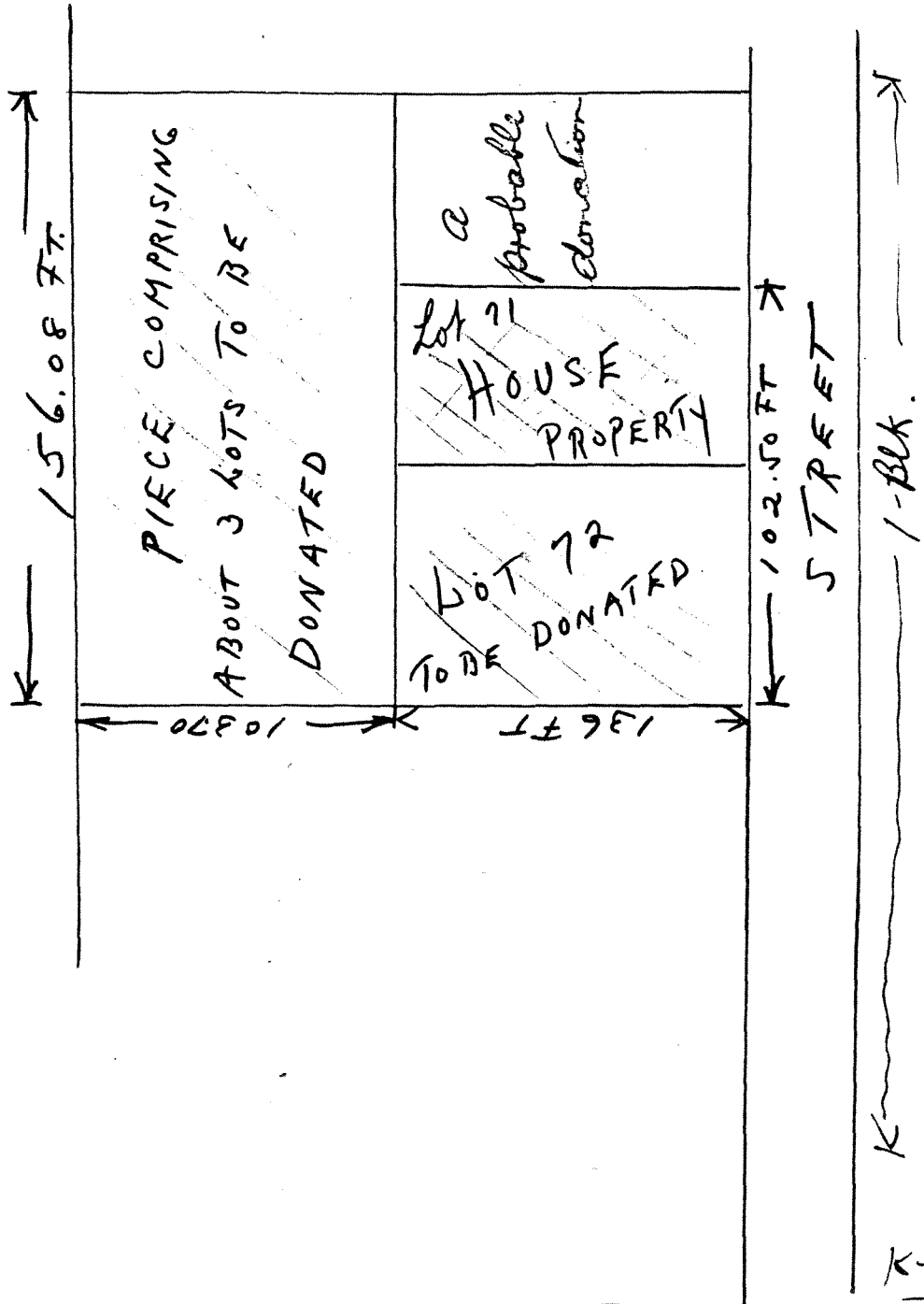
Your Excellency:

This property donated  
by Mrs Weingarten and Mr. Evans is  
different from the property already  
donated by Mrs. Campbell. Mrs  
Campbell has donated five  
acres near the High School, Fr.  
Hahn has the deed to this  
property.

The property Mr. Weingarten  
has donated is adjacent to the  
home Fr. Hahn has intended to  
purchase. It is a very suitable  
piece of property for church use  
as the enclosed sketch shows.

I might add that construction is **000068**  
costly in Twentynine Palms than elsewhere.

Sincerely yours Michael J. ...



TWENTYNINE PALMS HIGHWAY

FOUR CORNERS

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October 22, 1940

The Rev. Michael O'Connor  
P.O. Box 1480  
Palm Springs, California

Dear Father O'Connor:

This will acknowledge your courtesy of October 18 contents of which have been carefully noted. Let me thank you sincerely for the interest and trouble you have had in connection with the Twentynine Palms project and also for your thoughtful care in drawing up a plat which gives me a very clear picture of the setup.

Father Hahn was in this afternoon and my advice to him was to go slowly. He has a rather attractive offer from another real estate company and it would be far more practical to build a little church and a residence. \$5544.00 seems a very large amount considering this parcel of property. Moreover it is not suited for a church rectory, has no accommodations for a housekeeper, no heating plant.

For the present it would be far better if Father Hahn could rent a house until such time as the people can get together and help him build one.

Let me also acknowledge at this time the two appraisals.

With all good wishes, I remain,

Very sincerely yours in Christ,

Bishop of San Diego.

P.S. Father Maher the priest we had first planned to send to your November 1 will not be able to say two Masses on Sunday and to read the announcements. His health will permit only Mass so I have notified him to give up the idea of going to Palm Springs and will try to arrange another priest by November 1. If we should not have a priest ready at that time, could you make out for a couple of weeks?

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May 9, 1940

The Rev. Michael O'Connor  
P.O. Box 1480  
Palm Springs, California

Dear Father O'Connor:

His Excellency, the Most Reverend  
Bishop has directed me to request  
a return of the EXTENSION SOCIETY  
blanks sent to you sometime ago  
together with the four hundred word  
sketch of your missionary problem.

It is important that this be re-  
turned as soon as possible in order  
to facilitate the contemplated dona-  
tion.

With every good wish,

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Kenneth G. Stack,  
S E C R E T A R Y.

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April 29, 1940

The Rev. Michael O'Connor  
P.O. Box 1400  
Palm Springs, California

Dear Father O'Donnor:

Inclosed please find an application blank to be filled in on behalf of your proposed new church at Twenty-nine Palms. Please return this blank to His Excellency for his endorsement.

The Extension Society has also requested that you provide them with a four hundred word description of your difficulties and prospects in connection with the mission at Twenty-nine Palms. I am sure your native genius will enable you to write an appeal that will bring tears to the eyes of all its readers. This appeal will be placed in the MAIL BAG section in Extension Magazine and no doubt will be the means of obtaining a few extra dollars for Twenty-nine Palms.

With kindest personal regards, I am,

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Kenneth G. Stack,  
S E C R E T A R Y.

Our Lady of Solitude Church  
Palm Springs, California

Nov. 30<sup>th</sup>, 1939.

Dear Kenneth:

Would you be so kind  
as to have the Bishop grant  
permission for the erection of  
the Stations of the Via Mater, and  
then, if you will please forward  
the whole thing to Chicago -  
address on folder cover herewith.

I would like to know also,  
if I am to get a regular  
assistant - I have made  
arrangements for the present with  
Fr. John Powbig - for help and if  
he I don't get an assistant I  
have his assurance that he can  
help me for the season.

Thanking you & sending greetings

Michael O'Connor

April 4, 1939

The Rev. Michael O'Connor  
P.O. Box 1347  
Palm Springs, California

Dear Father O'Connor:

His Excellency, Bishop Hunt of Salt Lake has been ordered to Palm Springs by his doctor in the hope of curing an ear ailment. Bishop Hunt advises me that he does not care to stay in a hotel and requests the hospitality of your home. I wrote him that you would be glad to welcome him.

He will doubtless write you a line, but if he should forget it please drop him a letter of welcome and whatever extra expenses you may incur in his visit will be gladly taken care of by the undersigned. The Bishop expects to come soon after Easter.

With all good wishes and anticipating the pleasure of seeing you on Retreat,

Very sincerely yours in Christ,

Bishop of San Diego.

Box 845,

Brawley. Oct. 12<sup>th</sup>, 1938.

Dear Fr. Lorcistal:

First and foremost I wish to thank you and the Bishop very sincerely for the excellent appointment to the parish in Palm Springs - it certainly was a welcome change from the dust of the East-side of Brawley.

This Dr. McLean of El Centro - of whose letter I spoke with you on the phone today - wrote me this morning saying that he had also written the Bishop recommending that I should not be sent to Palm Springs. He thinks that the conditions there will be the same as they were down here.

But I know that there is no dust in Palm Springs - there may be sand-storms, that the house is new and clean and further that it is above sea-level and therefore on the whole I feel that it will not be detrimental to my chronic sinus-condition but rather beneficial.

Hoping that this dispenses of his letter 008075  
that I will get the opinion of a Doctor in Palm Springs after I get there - sincerely and faithfully,  
McLean

Nov. 11, 1938

Reverend Michael O'Connor  
Box 1347  
Palm Springs, California

Dear Father O'Connor:

First let me renew sincere appreciation for the many courtesies you extended me during my recent visit in Palm Springs. It was indeed a delightful holiday.

Please note the enclosed letter and our answer to Mr. Faries. My thought is that you are the closest to Twentynine Palms. At any rate, will you kindly go out there and look over the situation and let me have the value of your advice concerning the proposal of Mr. Faries.

With all good wishes,

Your devoted servant in Christ,

Bishop of San Diego

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Nov. 11, 1938

Mr. David R. Faries, President  
Twentynine Palms Corporation  
1275 Subway Terminal Bldg.  
Los Angeles, California

My dear Mr. Faries:

Let me thank you for your courtesy of November 8, regarding the proposed Catholic Church in Twentynine Palms.

Our Reverend Father Michael O'Connor, Pastor at Palm Springs, has been designated to make a survey of the situation in Twentynine Palms and to determine just what could be done in this matter. After reviewing the situation we shall be pleased to notify you.

With all good wishes,

Very cordially yours,

Bishop of San Diego

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RICHARD K. McLEAN, M. D.  
EYE, EAR, NOSE and THROAT  
111 North 6th Street  
EL CENTRO, CALIF.

Oct. 11, 1938

Dear Father Buddy: —

For several months Father O'Connor has been under my care for chronic rhinitis complicated by chronic paranasal sinusitis.

To-day I re-examined his condition and find the nasal congestion to be very marked. During the last 2 or 3 months his condition has been very satisfactory but I now feel that his residence on the desert now should be terminated as a preventive measure.

The history of this condition dates back, I believe, to his residency at San Bernardino several years ago.

The desert regions as you may know, contain alkaline dusts suspended in the atmosphere almost constantly. This I believe to be the source of the distress in this patient.

Last spring when he came to me the sinuses were very purulent and this chronic infection was injuring markedly his general condition.

In view of the fact that he is being transferred to Palm Spring shortly, I feel that the chances for irritation are greater than even in this locale as there are constant swirling of dust

Phone 4583

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Our Lady of Solitude Church

PALM SPRINGS, CALIFORNIA

October 25<sup>th</sup>, 1938

The Most Rev. Charles F. Buddy D. D.,  
1528 Fourth Avenue,  
San Diego.

Your Excellency:

Allow me to thank you very  
sincerely for this excellent appointment to  
this parish of Our Lady of Solitude. Once  
more I am deeply indebted to you for your  
very great kindness to me.

My health is improving daily  
since I came here and my doctor marvelled  
at the improvement in my sinus-infection.

It is unnecessary for me to  
invite you to Palm Springs as that would  
be presuming that an invitation was necessary,  
so I trust that you shall come and stay with  
us whenever it is possible for you.

Again thanking you with all my heart  
I am, your obedient servant,  
Michael J. Connor

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around Palm Springs of gigantic proportions, the  
vortices of which reach several thousands of feet  
into the air.

I therefore urge you, as soon as possible,  
to transfer this patient to the coastline - the  
nearer the ocean the better as these areas  
are considerably more dust-free.

I have threatened to ask for his transfer  
frequently but Father O'Connor remonstrated  
and did this out of his great consideration  
for you.

After he left the office to-day however  
I felt that at this juncture I should make  
known to you the facts as I see them.

Sincerely yours,

JR McLean

Am notifying Fr. O'Connor of this letter  
to you

November 7, 1938

Dr. Richard K. McLean, M. D.  
111 North 6th Street  
El Centro, California

Dear Dr. McLean:

His Excellency is in receipt of your letter of October 11 containing a report of the physical condition of Father Michael O'Connor. He wishes to thank you for your thorough statement of the case and to assure you that he appreciates your interest in his welfare.

He also wishes to advise you that Father O'Connor's condition appears to be greatly improved since he has moved to Palm Springs.

With every best wish.

Sincerely yours,

Kenneth G. Stack  
S E C R E T A R Y

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September 28, 1938

The Rev. Michael O'Connor  
St. Margaret Mary Church  
Brawley, California

Dear Father O'Connor:

As it becomes necessary to make a few changes in the Diocese, I had in mind to promote you to pastor of Our Lady of Soledad Church at Palm Springs. Before formally announcing the appointment, however, it would be well to receive a note of willingness on your part to accept it.

My plans are to leave early next Monday, October 3, and so a prompt reply by return mail will be sincerely appreciated.

Very cordially yours

Bishop of San Diego.

Box 845,  
Brawley, Sept. 29th, 1938

The Most Rev. Charles F. Buddy D. D.,  
1528 Fourth Ave.,  
San Diego.

Your Excellency:

It is with a feeling of  
profound gratification that I accept  
the appointment as pastor of  
Our Lady of Soledad Church,  
Palm Springs.

Once more I am truly  
indebted to Your Excellency for  
a great favor.

I am,  
Your obedient servant,

Michael Connor.

March 1, 1938

The Reverend Michael O'Connor,  
St. Patrick's Church,  
Calipatria, California

Dear Father O'Connor:

Let me thank you sincerely for your kind telegram accepting the pastorate of Brawley.

You are hereby appointed pastor of St. Margaret Mary's Church in Brawley, California. Kindly arrange to take charge there Friday evening, March 4th, in the event that there should be devotions in honor of the Sacred Heart.

With all good wishes for every blessing in your new field of labor,

Very sincerely yours in Christ,

Bishop of San Diego.

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November Second  
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Reverend Michael O'Connor,  
ST. BERNARDINE'S CHURCH,  
584 Fifth Street,  
San Bernardino, California.

Reverend and dear Father:

Enclosed you will please  
find your account for tuition with the Diocese.  
The Bishop asks that you pay off at least \$100.00  
each year on your indebtedness. We will appreciate  
check from you at your earliest convenience.

Very sincerely yours,

C h a n c e l l o r .

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October Tenth  
1931.

Reverend Michael O'Connor,  
c/o 3254 Verdugo Road,  
Los Angeles, California.

Reverend and dear Father:-

I am instructed by the Most  
Reverend Bishop to send you the enclosed appointment  
as Assistant to the Very Reverend Patrick Dunne, Pastor  
of "ST. BERNARDINE'S PARISH", San Bernardino. You will  
please take up your new duties not later than Saturday,  
October 17th.

Very sincerely yours,

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