

MEMORANDUM

TO: Archbishop Law

PERSONAL & CONFIDENTIAL

FROM: Father Oates

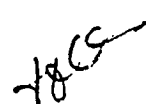
DATE: August 10, 1984

SUBJECT: REV. THOMAS FORRY - ST. FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH, WEYMOUTH

This is in preparation for your meeting with Father Forry tomorrow, Saturday, August 11 at 10:30 at the residence. The object of this meeting is for you to convince Father Forry to return to St. Louis and accept the remainder of the plan involved for his rehabilitation. On Sunday, July 15, 1984 you met at the residence with Father Forry at some length. At that time he agreed to follow your direction and participate in the Evaluation Program conducted by St. Michael's Retreat in St. Louis. He did go to St. Louis on Monday the 16th of July and I went to St. Louis to meet with all the people involved for his report on Friday, July 10, 1984. That meeting was very intense and the message was clear and very direct. The staff at St. Michael's Retreat including Father Mike Foley and the psychiatrist and others involved. All feel that Father Forry is in grave need of some long range assistance. They feel his condition is such that he should enter a hospital out there for some psychiatric treatment and this treatment would be followed by an extended period of time perhaps as much as 6 months at the Servant of the Paraclete Hospital in New Mexico. Father Forry can't see the need for any of this and feels very strongly against it. He is also very angry and at the moment quite worried and upset about his future. In the past he has to you and to me claimed he will follow the Archbishop's directions and no one else's.

Upon his return from St. Louis after his having refused to stay there and finish off the treatment, I asked Father Forry at the Direction of Bishop Daily to remove himself physically from St. Francis Xavier Parish and not to return there until he is told to return there by the Archbishop. The people in St. Louis felt this was wise. I have today called Father Mike Foley in St. Louis and I am asking him to contact you by telephone at the residence tomorrow, Saturday, August 11, 1984, at 10:30 just as you are scheduled to meet with Father Forry.

I hope this is of some help to you in trying to convince Father Forry to accept the help that he apparently needs.



T.P.O.

Attachment: (Biog sheet)

Archbishop -
Fr. Mike Foley will call you
at 10:15-10:30 AM Sat. 8/11.
He said he sent you the report
concerning Tom Forry.
Tom O.

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