

***REV. JOHN KOHNKE, O.PRAEM.***  
***(CANONS REGULAR OF PREMONTRE, PREMONSTRATIENSIS, NORBERTINES)***

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**Vicar for Clergy Database**

Clergy Assignment Record (Detailed)

**Rev John J. Kohnke, O.Praem.**

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*Current Primary Assignment*

<i>Birth Date</i>	8/1/1907	<i>Age:</i>
<i>Birth Place</i>		<i>Deanery:</i>
<i>Diaconate Ordination</i>		
<i>Priesthood Ordination</i>	3/22/1937	
<i>Diocese Name</i>		
<i>Date of Incardination</i>		
<i>Religious Community</i>	Norbertine Fathers-St. Norbert Abbey, Wisconsin	
<i>Ritual Ascription</i>	Latin	
<i>Ministry Status</i>	Deceased	
<i>Canon State</i>	Relig. Order Priest	<i>Incard Process</i> <input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Begin Pension Date</i>		
 <i>Seminary</i>		
<i>Ethnicity</i>	English	

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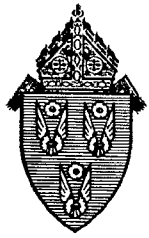
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**Assignment History**

<i>Assignment</i>	<i>Beginning Date</i>	<i>Completion Date</i>
Deceased	9/2/1987	
Left Archdiocese	10/7/1974	9/2/1987
St. Luke Hospital, Pasadena Chaplain, Active Service, This hospital is now closed. Fr. John Kohnke lived in an apartment at 2685 Woodlyn, Pasadena.	10/8/1971	10/6/1974
Chaplain, Active Service	8/15/1969	10/7/1971

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ARCHDIOCESE OF LOS ANGELES  
1531 WEST NINTH STREET  
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90015  
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Confidential  
June 11, 1970

This date Fr. John KOMNKE, O. Praem  
asst. Chaplain, St Joseph Hospital, Burbank  
came to the Chancery to relate that he had  
been picked-up by the L.A. P.D for  
vag. + lewd conduct in a public place.  
The incident happened in a North Hollywood  
park on June 10, Wednesday at 9 PM.  
He was accused of masturbating in the public  
rest room. His explanation was that  
he had had a prostate operation and  
was merely pressing his stomach. There  
was no physical masturbation or intent  
to do so.

REDACTED  
REDACTED REDACTED

was called to the

Police Station, North Hollywood. There was no  
charge filed, no booking etc.

Fr. <sup>KOHNKE</sup> ~~Kentke~~ was cautioned strongly to  
wear his clericals and to avoid all parks &  
places of recreation where there are public  
rest rooms.

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1. COPIES TO:

2. CASE NO. 420 / 081 A

SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT  
ORANGE COUNTY  
SANTA ANA, CALIFORNIA

JAMES A. MUSICK, SHERIFF-CORONER

INITIAL CRIME REPORT

3. OFFENSE CPC 272 Contributing to Delinq. of Minor				4. DATE - TIME COMMITTED 8-29-74 2245 hrs.			
5. WHERE COMMITTED Laguna Hills 1/2 Mi. So. of Via Iglesia on Moulton Pkwy,				6. GRID 44.8	7. DATE - TIME REPORTED 8-29-74 2256 hrs.		8. REPORTED TO Bridges
9. INFORMANT Assigned Officers				10. ADDRESS - PHONE OCSD			
11. VICTIM DOB REDACTED				12. ADDRESS - PHONE REDACTED			
13. BUSINESS ADDRESS - PHONE Student Mater Dei High School				16. BUSINESS ADDRESS - PHONE			
15. FIRM NAME OF VICTIM				17. VICTIM'S OCCUPATION RACE SEX AGE Student Cau M 16			
18. TYPE OF PREMISES OR LOCATION WHERE OFFENSE WAS COMMITTED Rural area just off public highway				19. POINT WHERE CRIMES AGAINST PROPERTY ENTRANCE WAS MADE:			
20. EXACT LOCATION OF PROPERTY WHEN STOLEN				24. WEAPON OR MEANS USED:			
21. INSTRUMENT OR MEANS USED (DESCRIBE)				25. EXACT LOCATION OF VICTIM AT TIME OF OFFENSE			
22. METHOD USED TO GAIN ENTRANCE				26. VICTIM'S ACTIVITY AT TIME OF OFFENSE			
23. WHERE WERE OCCUPANTS AT TIME OF OFFENSE?				27. EXACT WORDS USED BY SUSPECT			
29. APPARENT MOTIVE--TYPE OF PROPERTY TAKEN OR OBTAINED				30. TOTAL VALUE STOLEN \$			
31. TRADEMARKS OF SUSPECT(S)-- ACTIONS OR CONVERSATION				32. VEHICLE USED BY SUSPECT(S)-- YEAR, MAKE, BODY TYPE, COLOR, LICENSE NUMBER AND ANY OTHER IDENTIFYING MARKS.			
33. WITNESSES (1) Assigned Deputies (2) (3)				34. ADDRESS OCSD			
35. SUSPECTS: (IF ARRESTED, NAME AND BOOKING NUMBER ONLY)							
(1) KOHNKE, John Joseph Book.# 214-940							
(2)							
(3)							
NAME ADDRESS SEX RACE AGE HT. WT. HAIR EYES							
36. DETAILS OF CRIME. EVIDENCE COLLECTED. DESCRIPTION AND VALUE OF PROPERTY TAKEN. REMARKS.							

COMPLETE ON ALL FELONIES  
ALSO: MISO. THEFT - SEX - NARCOTICS

SYNOPSIS:

Suspect allows and has in his presence the above victim who is a minor and engages in acts of Oral Copulation in violation of PC 288A. Refer to Initial Crime Report under DR 420/081 for further information.

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SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT  
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JAMES A. MUSICK, Sheriff-Coroner

STATEMENT OF SUBJECT

3. OFFENSE CPC 288a Oral Copulation	4. VICTIM State of California
5. NAME OF SUBJECT REDACTED	6. ADDRESS OF SUBJECT REDACTED ✓
7. LOCATION OF INTERVIEW Orange County Sheriff's Office	7. DATE AND TIME OF INTERVIEW Thursday 8-29-74 2345hrs.

ADVISEMENT OF RIGHTS

1. You have the absolute right to remain silent.
2. Anything you say can and will be used as evidence against you in court.
3. You have the right to consult with an attorney, to be represented by an attorney, and to have an attorney present before any questions are asked.
4. If you cannot afford an attorney one will be appointed by the court, free of charge, to represent you before any questioning if you desire.

The above advisement of rights was read to Subject REDACTED by Deputy Invest. REDACTED. The responses to the waiver questions are as follows:

Question: "Do you understand the rights I have just explained to you?"

Answer: (Quote) Yes.

Question: "With these rights in mind, are you willing to talk to me about the charges against you?"

Answer: (Quote) Yes.

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STATEMENTS OF SUBJECT

Subject stated that he had met Father John (John Joseph KOHNKE) around Easter of 1973 at a Catholic Church he attended in the San Gabriel area. He stated that Father John is a priest at a Catholic Hospital in Pasadena area who was a visiting father at the church in which he attended. He stated that Father John became good friends with his family and stated that he was asked by Father John shortly after Easter to act as an alter boy for him at the chapel of the Catholic Hospital in Pasadena where Father John maintains his parish. He stated that Father John had over the past few months had bought him many gifts such as a watch, record

10. INVESTIGATING OFFICERS REDACTED	REPORT BY	11. DATE OF REPORT 8-29-74	12. APPROVED
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STATEMENT OF SUBJECT

3. OFFENSE CPC 288a Oral Copulation	4. VICTIM State of California
5. NAME OF SUBJECT KOHNKE, John Joseph	6. ADDRESS OF SUBJECT REDACTED
7. LOCATION OF INTERVIEW Scene of crime	7. DATE AND TIME OF INTERVIEW Thursday 8-29-74 2300hrs.

ADVISEMENT OF RIGHTS

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The above advisement of rights was read to Subject KOHNKE, John Joseph by Deputy \_\_\_\_\_ The responses to the waiver questions are as follows:

Question: "Do you understand the rights I have just explained to you?"

Answer: (Quote) Yes I do.

Question: "With these rights in mind, are you willing to talk to me about the charges against you?"

Answer: (Quote) Yes I will.

STATEMENTS OF SUBJECT

"The boy's family and I have been close friends for years. Today I drove to his home in Tustin and picked him up. He had just received his California Drivers License so I let him drive my car. We drove to Laguna Beach and then out here. We followed another vehicle to this place. We talked to a man. He was dressed like a security guard. He said it was all right to park here. He then unlocked the gate and left. We stayed. I put my head into his lap REDACTED. We got carried away. I put my lips and mouth on his organ. We have done this three times before. REDACTED has also done this to me. He

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10. INVESTIGATING OFFICER REDACTED	11. DATE OF REPORT 8-29-74	12. APPROVED
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STATEMENT OF SUBJECT

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has done this three other times. He is a good boy, I don't think he has done this with anyone else."

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ORANGE COUNTY  
SANTA ANA, CALIFORNIA

JAMES A. MUSICK, SHERIFF-CORONER

JUVENILE INVESTIGATION REPORT

3. OFFENSE W&I 602, PC 288a Oral Copulation			4. GRID 44.8		5. DATE/TIME COMMITTED 8-29-74 2245hrs.	
6. LOCATION WHERE OFFENSE WAS COMMITTED 1/4 mile south of Via Iglesia at Moulton Parkway,*				7. DATE/TIME REPORTED 8-29-74 2256hrs.		
8. LOCATION OF ARREST 1/4 mile south of Via Iglesia at Moulton Parkway,*				9. DATE 8-29-74		10. TIME 2250hrs.
11. NAME REDACTED			12. ALIAS OR NICKNAME			
13. CITY REDACTED			14. STATE REDACTED		14. TELEPHONE REDACTED	
15. BIRTHDATE REDACTED	16. SEX M	17. RACE Cauc	18. WHERE BORN Wash. DC	19. AGE 16	20. MARKS - SCARS None	
21. OFFENSE CPC 288a		22. ACTION See Box 53.		23. DATE 8-29-74	24. HT. 5-10	WT. 130
25. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION See Box 49.		YES X	NO	26. VEHICLE - YEAR, MAKE BODY TYPE 1972 Chev. Chevelle lt vinyl grn/lt grn paint		LICENSE NUMBER REDACTED
27. CLOTHING - DESCRIPTION (FILL OUT FOR MISSING, RUNAWAYS, ESCAPES) Blue T-shirt, brown cords, brown leather shoes						
28. OLN # Temp.		29. STATE Calif.	30. OC # None		31. SS # REDACTED	
33. FATHER/STEP REDACTED			34. ADDRESS REDACTED			
38. MOTHER/STEP REDACTED			39. ADDRESS			
40. CITY REDACTED			41. ZIP		42. TELEPHONE	
43. LIVES WITH: Parents			44. ADDRESS REDACTED			
45. CITY REDACTED			46.			
48. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Released to parent - Appointment made with Juvenile Bureau. <input type="checkbox"/> Detained Juvenile Hall - Parent notified. <input type="checkbox"/> Detained Other (explain Box 49) - Parent notified. <input type="checkbox"/> Released to parent - No further action recommended.					Date 8-30-74 Time 0130hrs. School Attending: Matter Day High	

49. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AND REMARKS:

- \*6. Laguna Hills area
- \*8. Laguna Hills area

Refer to Initial Crime Report this case number.

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50. INVESTIGATING OFFICER REDACTED		51. DATE OF REPORT 8-29-74		52. APPROVED	
53. FINAL DEPARTMENT DISPOSITION C <input type="checkbox"/> I <input type="checkbox"/> P <input type="checkbox"/> D <input type="checkbox"/>			54. INV.		55. CJJ OPERATOR

1. COPIES TO:

2. CASE NO. 420 / 081

Juvenile Bureau  
Crimes Against Persons

SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT  
ORANGE COUNTY  
SANTA ANA, CALIFORNIA

REDACTED SHERIFF-CORONER

INITIAL CRIME REPORT

3. OFFENSE CPC 288a Oral Copulation		4. DATE - TIME COMMITTED Thursday 8-29-74 2245hrs.	
5. WHERE COMMITTED 1/4 mile south of Via Iglesia on *		6. GRID 44.8	7. DATE - TIME REPORTED 8-29-74 2256hrs.
9. INFORMANT Assigned Officers		10. ADDRESS - PHONE OCSD	
11. VICTIM State of California		12. ADDRESS - PHONE	
3. BUSINESS ADDRESS - PHONE		14. CONTACT TIME - ADDRESS	
5. FIRM NAME OF VICTIM		16. BUSINESS ADDRESS - PHONE	

7. VICTIM'S OCCUPATION	RACE	SEX	AGE	18. TYPE OF PREMISES OR LOCATION WHERE OFFENSE WAS COMMITTED Rural area just off public highway
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19. POINT WHERE ENTRANCE WAS MADE: CRIMES AGAINST PROPERTY		24. WEAPON OR MEANS USED: CRIMES AGAINST THE PERSON Mouth on victim's male organ.	
20. EXACT LOCATION OF PROPERTY WHEN STOLEN		25. EXACT LOCATION OF VICTIM AT TIME OF OFFENSE Front seat of suspect's vehicle.	
21. INSTRUMENT OR MEANS USED (DESCRIBE)		26. VICTIM'S ACTIVITY AT TIME OF OFFENSE Engaged in sexual activity.	
22. METHOD USED TO GAIN ENTRANCE		27. EXACT WORDS USED BY SUSPECT Unknown.	
23. WHERE WERE OCCUPANTS AT TIME OF OFFENSE?		28. FORCE OR METHOD USED Parked vehicle in secluded rural area*	
29. APPARENT MOTIVE--TYPE OF PROPERTY TAKEN OR OBTAINED Sexual gratification.			30. TOTAL VALUE STOLEN \$
31. TRADEMARKS OF SUSPECT(S)--ACTIONS OR CONVERSATION Drives victim to rural area & engages in oral copulation.			
32. VEHICLE USED BY SUSPECT(S)--YEAR, MAKE, BODY TYPE, COLOR, LICENSE NUMBER AND ANY OTHER IDENTIFYING MARKS. 1972 Chevrolet Chevelle 2-dr hardtop, light green vinyl over light green *			

33. WITNESSES (1) None (2) (3)	34. ADDRESS
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35. SUSPECTS: (IF ARRESTED, NAME AND BOOKING NUMBER ONLY)	
(1) KOHNKE, John Joseph, REDACTED	
(2)	M C 67 5-11 182 brn/gry grn*
(3)	
NAME	ADDRESS SEX RACE AGE HT. WT. HA:R EYES

36. DETAILS OF CRIME. EVIDENCE COLLECTED. DESCRIPTION AND VALUE OF PROPERTY TAKEN. REMARKS.

\*5. Moulton Parkway, Laguna Hills

\*28. and engaged in sexual activity.

\*32. paint, Calif. license REDACTED

\*35. (2) REDACTED  
(released to parents) M C 16 5-10 130 brn hzl

SYNOPSIS:

Suspects were found participating in an act of copulating the mouth with the sexual organ of the other.

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37. INVESTIGATING OFFICERS REDACTED	REPORT BY	38. DATE OF REPORT 8-29-74	39. APPROVED
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EVIDENCE COLLECTED:

- 1. Two paper kleenexes obtained from under the front seat area of suspect vehicle with white starchy substance.
- 2. One only white linen handkerchief with starchy stains obtained from underneath the drivers seat of suspect vehicle.
- 3. One only white linen handkerchief with starchy stains obtained underneath the front seat passenger side.

STATEMENTS & OBSERVATIONS:

At approximately 2245 hours this date, assigned officers observed a 1972 Chevrolet Chevelle 2-dr hardtop, light vinyl green over light green paint, California license REDACTED parked off the roadway on Moulton Parkway approximately 1/4 mile south of Via Iglesia, Laguna Hills area. The vehicle was parked in a driveway to the entrance to a ranch in that area. The area was unlighted, rural and secluded. Due to the late hour and darkness, deputies checked the vehicle.

After illuminating the vehicle with the patrol unit's headlights and spotlights, Deputy REDACTED approached the vehicle on the drivers side and Deputy REDACTED on the passenger side. A male juvenile (REDACTED REDACTED, DOB REDACTED, age 16) was seated behind the wheel of the suspect vehicle. Seated on the passenger side front seat of the vehicle was Mr. KOHNKE, John Joseph, age 67, a Catholic Priest. As the patrol unit arrived at the scene, deputies noticed the adult suspect to sit upright. He had been lying down with his head in the direction of the juvenile's lap. The adult suspect immediately opened the passenger door of the vehicle and picked up a map. He continued holding the map, turning it over several times as assigned officers approached. It appeared to assigned officers that he was trying to locate the top of the map as deputies approached.

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Deputy <sup>REDACTED</sup> requested the juvenile's identification and then the identification of the male adult. The male adult identified himself as a priest, handing his license to Deputy <sup>REDACTED</sup>. Deputy <sup>REDACTED</sup> asked what they were doing in the area. Mr. KOHNKE stated they were going to get some rest before returning home to Pasadena. He said they were in Laguna Beach and were driving home and became tired and parked.

It should be noted that as Deputy <sup>REDACTED</sup> approached the vehicle, he observed the male juvenile. The juvenile's hair was mussed. He seemed frustrated not knowing what to do. His trousers were observed to be below his buttocks and he was holding the bottom half of his shirt trying to cover the lower parts of his body. Deputy <sup>REDACTED</sup> requested the juvenile to exit the vehicle. The juvenile complied. As the juvenile subject stepped from the vehicle, he pulled his pants up and buttoned them. Then Deputy <sup>REDACTED</sup> escorted the juvenile to the rear of the Sheriff's Office Patrol Unit. At this time the juvenile was wearing a blue T-shirt, brown cords and brown leather shoes. Deputy <sup>REDACTED</sup> at this time, felt the juvenile was a victim of a sexual perversion. Deputy <sup>REDACTED</sup> asked what was going on. He stated they were just parked and resting. Deputy <sup>REDACTED</sup> asked if he was being coerced into homosexual acts by the priest. The juvenile seemed very shaken and blurted out, "he didn't want to do it but felt obligated to the priest for the things he had done for him in the past." Deputy <sup>REDACTED</sup> asked if he had been orally copulated by the priest. He said, "Yes he did." Deputy <sup>REDACTED</sup> asked if this was the first time. The juvenile subject replied, "Yes, two or three times before." After this, Deputy <sup>REDACTED</sup> advised Deputy <sup>REDACTED</sup> of the content of the conversation that he had with the juvenile suspect. Deputy <sup>REDACTED</sup> admonished Mr. KOHNKE, John Joseph per MIRANDA, see his statement this case number. After taking his statement, both subjects were placed under arrest and transported to Orange County Sheriff's Office Juvenile Bureau. The vehicle was impounded at El Toro Garage. Prior to impounding the vehicle, Deputy <sup>REDACTED</sup> located two handkerchiefs and two pieces of kleenex in the suspect vehicle and retained them as evidence, see Evidence listed this case number.

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Juvenile Investigator <sup>REDACTED</sup> was contacted and interviewed both suspects at the Orange County Sheriff's Office Juvenile Bureau, see his report this case number.

The juvenile was charged with violation of W&I 602, CPC 288a, oral copulation, and was later released to his parents by Juvenile Investigator <sup>REDACTED</sup>. The male suspect, John Joseph KOHNKE was booked into Orange County Jail for violation of CPC 288a, oral copulation, see booking #214-940.

No additional action taken this date.

REDACTED

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IN THE MUNICIPAL COURT  
OF SOUTH ORANGE COUNTY JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
COUNTY OF ORANGE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA,  
Plaintiff,

vs

JOHN JOSEPH KOHNKE

Defendant(s)

COMPLAINT - CRIMINAL  
MISDEMEANOR

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The undersigned hereby certifies, upon information and belief:

Count I That on or about the 29th day of August, 1974, at and within SOUTH ORANGE COUNTY Judicial District, Orange County, California, the crime of Misdemeanor, to-wit: Violation of Section 288 (a) of the Penal Code was committed by JOHN JOSEPH KOHNKE

who at the time and place last aforesaid, did then and there willfully and unlawfully participate in an act of copulating the mouth of the said defendant; JOHN JOSEPH KOHNKE, with the sexual organ of REDACTED

Count II That on or about the 29th day of August, 1974, at and within SOUTH ORANGE COUNTY Judicial District, Orange County, California, the crime of Misdemeanor, to-wit: Violation of Section 647 (a) of the Penal Code was committed by JOHN JOSEPH KOHNKE who at the time and place last aforesaid, did then and there willfully and unlawfully engage in lewd and dissolute conduct in a public place and in a place open to the public or exposed to public view.

Count III That on or about the 29th day of August, 1974, at and within SOUTH ORANGE COUNTY, Judicial District, Orange County, California, the crime of Misdemeanor, to-wit: Violation of Section 272 of the Penal Code was committed by JOHN JOSEPH KOHNKE who at the time and place last aforesaid, did then and there willfully and unlawfully copulate the sexual organ of REDACTED  
REDACTED

**D.A. ISSUED**

Wherefore, and based upon the declaration attached, said complainant prays that a warrant may be issued for the arrest of JOHN JOSEPH KOHNKE

and that ...he... be dealt with according to law.

REDACTED

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I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Dated: August 30, 1974  
Place of Execution: Orange County, California, CI;tc

, Complainant

OC# 290610  
CII# NA

ORANGE COUNTY JAIL  
Santa Ana, California

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BOOKING NOTICE

BOOKING NUMBER 214-940	DATE 8-30-74	TIME 0210	HOUSING LOCATION MOD 3
NAME: LAST KOHNKE		FIRST JOHN	MIDDLE JOSEPH
CHARGE I CPC 288 A ORAL COPULATION			JURISDICTION SOUTH
ARRESTING AGENCY SOP 420-031/44.8		WARRANT #/OR CASE NO.	BAIL 2500.00
BIRTHDATE 8-1-07		PLACE OF BIRTH WISC	
SEX M	RACE CAU	AGE 67	HEIGHT 5-11
WEIGHT 182	HAIR GRY	EYES HZL	SOCIAL SECURITY NO. REDACTED
DRIVER'S LIC. NO., STATE REDACTED			

TIME RECEIVED

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SEARCHED BY:

WANT/WARRANT  
OUTSTANDING

YES  NO

WARRANT BUR.  
NOTIFIED

YES  NO

IF NO, EXPLAIN \_\_\_\_\_

FO684-13.1

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DATE: 08-30-74\* TIME: 02-25\*

DL/NO: ED020797\*07/07-01-07\*NAME: KOHNKE JOHN JOSEPH\*ADDR AS OF 07-22-73:  
REDACTED

IDENTIFYING INFORMATION:

SEX: MALE\*HT: 5-11\*WT: 176\*EYES: BRN\*HAIR: BROWN\*

LIC/ISS: 07-23-72\*EXP/END: 76\*CLASS: 3 \*

LICENSE STATUS:

VALID

DEPARTMENTAL ACTION:

NONE

CONVICTIONS:

MI/L/DT	CONV/DT	SEC/VICL	DET/O	TIME	DISP	COURT	VEH/LIC
03-28-74	04-02-74	22480	NO	2033744	015	P	19470 5365PK

FAILURES TO APPEAR:

NONE

ACCIDENTS:

NONE

END

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SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT  
ORANGE COUNTY  
SANTA ANA, CALIFORNIA

- 3.  INITIAL NON-CRIMINAL
- 4.  FOLLOW-UP CRIMINAL
- 5.  CONTINUATION PAGE NO.

JAMES A. MUSICK, SHERIFF-CORONER

FOLLOW-UP REPORT

6. OFFENSE CPC 288a Sex Perversion		7. LOCATION OF OCCURRENCE Moulton Pkwy, Laguna Hills	
8. VICTIM State of Calif.		9. DATE OF OCCURRENCE 8-29-74	10. GRID 44.8

11. DETAILS OF INCIDENT:

On 8-29-74, 2330 hrs., assigned was requested to respond to the Sheriff's Facility at the request of Patrol Deputies who had a sixteen year old male subject and a sixty seven year old male subject in custody for sex perversion. Assigned was contacted by Patrol Deputies REDACTED and REDACTED at the Facility and they had in custody REDACTED and KOHNKE, John Joseph, dob: 8-1-07.

Assigned escorted subject REDACTED to conference room #2 and in the presence of Deputy REDACTED informed him of his constitutional rights as per Miranda. He stated that he understood those rights and was willing to waive same and discuss the case with assigned. (Refer to Statement of Subject report as submitted by Deputy REDACTED. Other than the statements as related to the offense, assigned counseled with REDACTED as to his background, family environment and his moral values. Subject REDACTED was released to his parents who responded to the Facility and were apprised of the incident. The parents were very responsive, cooperative and receptive to any assistance that could be lent. They were informed that an Application For Petition would be filed with the Probation Dept. and that they would be contacted by said Dept. in the near future for further disposition.

Assigned also had conversation with Mr. KOHNKE in the atmosphere of counseling and not with the specific intent of soliciting any further admissions or confessions. Mr. KOHNKE was booked into OCJ by Deputies REDACTED. No further action taken by this Officer.

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12. INVESTIGATING OFFICERS R. REDACTED	REPORT BY REDACTED	13. DATE OF REPORT 8-30-74	14. APPROVED [Signature]
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Sept 24, 1990  
REDACTED

Dear Archbishop Mahony,

I have put all my information, as you see on the top right hand corner of this letter, before I forget.

This is the most difficult letter I have had to write in my life, but I have been advised by one of my doctors to write directly to you.

I have tried 6017 months ago to talk with people in the Orange Archdiocese. I had constantly been referred and put off to talk to someone else.

All I asked and pleaded for was that they would get a top Psychiatrist for my son and that the Catholic Church would pay ~~would~~ for the doctor for REDACTED sessions with him.

I am very sorry but my nerves are so shot that I feel I will pass out writing this to you.

I will let you know before I go any further writing to you, if I can go on.

A priest by the name of Fr. John Kohrke who was a chaplain at St. Jude Hospital in Arcadia Ca. I believe or maybe it was in Pasadena. I think it was the year of 1971 or 1972 - this is while REDACTED was an altar boy at St. Felicitas & Perpetua in San Marino, where he and his brother attended school and both served as acolytes. REDACTED was around

11 yrs old, when Fr. John Kohrke asked REDACTED to help out and say mass at St. Felicitas & Perpetua - because he, being a chaplain only had to say mass once on Sunday. He came over to say mass and met REDACTED while he was serving for him as an

altar boy. Fr. John asked him to also be his acolyte at the hospital Chapel, which REDACTED felt honored to do. He received "Acolyte of the Year Award" at St. Felici

Fr. John started having REDACTED & several other little boys staying at his apt. He, Fr. John asks

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my husband & I to see his apt. We went over with  
REDACTED & there were 3 or 4 young boys watching T.V. in  
Fr. John's apt. — Fr. John then said "these boys  
are allowed to sleep in the living room on the sofa  
or in sleeping bags, but REDACTED is my favorite  
he is the only one to sleep in my bed with me

Remember this was the year <sup>of the</sup> 1970's — I've never  
heard about child molestation etc. So I didn't  
just sort of thought nothing about it. (Even though  
in my heart, this did not sound right)

My son REDACTED would ask me to come  
to the Hosp. Chapel to Mass while he served  
as altar boy with a couple of other young  
boys. After mass REDACTED would get me in  
the back room where Fr. John & the altar boys were  
removing their altar boy uniforms meanwhile  
the priest would dive into the collection plate &  
give the other boys a dollar. Then he would stuff  
all kind of bills into REDACTED

REDACTED would not take the money but he kept  
REDACTED stuffing pockets ~~with~~ <sup>with</sup> all of  
the money in the collection plate. I  
thought this is terrible, these are real people &  
their families & it seemed to me that he  
was throwing their money away & not giving  
it to the Hosp. Chapel. I questioned this to  
REDACTED & Fr. John Konikhe he said oh REDACTED

worried so hard he deserved some money.  
REDACTED did not want this money (I can't go on  
about this) This is just after REDACTED  
~~my~~

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REDACTED  
Fr. John would listen as REDACTED poured out  
his heart to him about REDACTED  
death. (This is all what REDACTED told me) he was never  
told a lie in his life. As REDACTED poured out his heart Fr. Konikhe  
would sympathize with him & have him  
over at his apt. all the more. He would hold  
REDACTED was Cryer

His heart out to me - This went on for over a yr. (better say it here before I forget) Fr Kohmbe ~~was~~ <sup>was having sex with</sup> ~~me~~ <sup>him</sup> all this time telling <sup>REDACTED</sup> to promise to never

Tell his parents because "They would understand" <sup>REDACTED</sup> but he would take himself to different churches every Sat. for Confession <sup>REDACTED</sup> & Fr. would go to Confession <sup>REDACTED</sup> & <sup>REDACTED</sup> go and confess all this (my son was so confused 1st he could not tell us anything, then he had to go to Confession with Fr. Kohmbe every Sat.) ~~we~~ <sup>we</sup> never knew any of this until this all came out.

Fr. Kohmbe became a great friend of ours, he was always over for drinks & served drinks that I served & cooked for him (gourmet meals) not knowing any of this

my husband told him that his <sup>company</sup> <sup>that he worked for</sup> was being transferred to San Juan Capistrano & that we were looking for house & would have to move soon, meanwhile my husband was driving from Pasadena to San Juan Capistrano until we found a house. as soon as we bought this house in Trustin - we all went to St. Felicita and Perpetua Church & after Fr. John ~~husband~~ saying mass

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4.  
 Just as Fr. John was coming out of the back of the church - we were all waiting for him my husband & I & ~~REDACTED~~ & his younger brother - We told Fr. Konhhe & asked him if he was free to go with us to see our new house in Trustin.

He had tears in his eyes & ~~was~~ kept saying in disbelief (you bought a house - you are moving?) Then we all begged him to come with us just to see ~~the~~ house & then we would take him out to the best place in Trustin for dinner. He was anxious to come & see, so he did. The house has 4 bedrooms, & he kept saying when will I see you all? I said you can come over every week-end or whenever - I will reserve one bedroom just for you - he looked like he would cry again - so I said I will even have a gold plate put on his bedroom door with his name on it.

After he seemed to adjust to this idea he seemed to calm down, then he started coming over very frequently from Pasadena to Trustin. I fixed elegant candlelight dinner & his drinks to sip

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5.

He even went swimming in the pool with our two boys (We were still blind as bats as to anything going on)

He did come ~~come~~ <sup>to our house</sup> REDACTED

& stay over - but REDACTED said in the middle of the night - he always ~~was~~ ended up in REDACTED bed with him, doing

these vile things - REDACTED said he had a lot of noise in REDACTED was doing these things and REDACTED kept praying

that we would hear him (Fr Kolmbe) & come rushing in & catch him. I

was almost totally deaf in one ear. In the other & my husband

admits he never heard anything (I have to admit he did sleep like a rock & a few drinks with this priest knocked him out.

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REDACTED

One Sat eve. (This is when our youngest son, were attending Water Dei. High School in Santa Ana)

This Sat eve. after we had lived here about 8 months. Fr. John said he would take REDACTED to the mall & go to FedCo etc. We said fine. My husband & I

sat up watching TV. while he dozed off then he looked at his watch & sat upright because it was almost midnight.

So he said let us call the police

REDACTED

6.

+ Fr. Kohunso may have had  
 an accident just as <sup>we</sup> were  
 headed for the telephone in the  
 kitchen - it began to ring - They said  
 this is the Santa Ana police and  
 we have your son in custody at  
Juvenile Hall in Santa Ana

also we have a priest here, Fr.  
 John Kohunso. We rushed down to the  
 police station + 1st we saw the priest  
 He said they just let him sit in  
 the waiting <sup>room</sup> ~~because he was a~~  
 priest but ~~was a juvenile~~  
~~fall~~ - We got him out  
 of there + brought - home  
 I left the priest there.

~~REDACTED~~ was white as a ghost,  
 crying his heart out trying to tell us  
 what this priest did to him. He  
 not only committed sodomy he became  
 like an animal ~~REDACTED~~ said he was never the  
 same. ~~Never at~~ <sup>this time</sup> ~~did~~ not seem to  
~~REDACTED~~ said he puts his  
 male organ in ~~REDACTED~~ mouth + almost  
~~choke~~ choked him to death - I can't  
 go on all it does, it gets worse

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REDACTED

... day it is so bad that  
Graduated from Water  
see with honor + 3 scholarships  
plus one from my over  
husbands Co. where he

was an engineer. Each  
birthday <sup>was worse</sup> he  
left home when he was 18 &  
we couldn't find him for almost  
a year & ever since <sup>has been</sup>  
working as a janitor &  
mas~~ter~~ <sup>man</sup> at apt.

REDACTED

bldds. where he could get a free apt  
for his working there - he is  
an Eagle Scout & even  
was assistant scout master  
to his father ~~who~~ was the Scoutmaster  
in Pasadena & here in Tustin  
because my father he begged of his  
Scout ~~was~~ <sup>was too</sup> busy to be ass<sup>ist</sup>  
Scoutmaster <sup>begs for a Boy Scout</sup>  
... M. A. Dim Ess

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REDACTED

We have been trying to sleep this  
~~under the rug hat - it would go~~  
~~away - but now 4 lines are draped~~  
I have ~~now~~ on it

more to tell  
but my heart  
starts to get  
convulsing, I  
can hardly catch  
my breath &  
hands shake &

I can't think  
straight - when I have  
to write - his <sup>24th day</sup> <sup>the</sup>  
because on this <sup>the</sup>  
his birthday was almost end  
of of our lives, his  
of of the letter &

You must help me - otherwise I can get  
reporters to write this all up for me

REDACTED

REDACTED REDACTED REDACTED

REDACTED

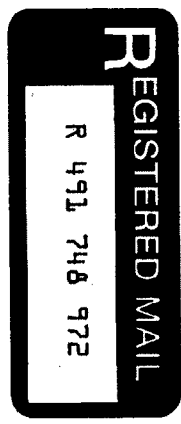
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~~Very Urgent~~  
~~Emergency~~



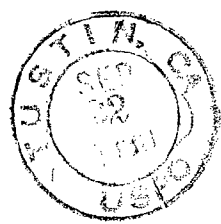
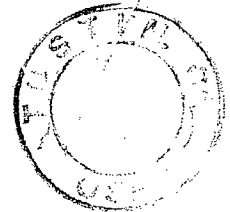
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REDACTED

Friday, September 28, 1990

I called REDACTED and she talked continuously for about half an hour. She was coherent but terribly distressed. Her talk repeated much of what was in her letter, and she said several times that if I had called six months ago her son would be alright. She said that she had spoken to my secretary, but no one in the office has any recollection of her. She may have spoken to someone in Orange, or she may have thought I was from Orange.

REDACTED

REDACTED

Some maniac has moved in with him and is controlling his life. This man has made a zombie out of REDACTED This man moved in on REDACTED 1990.

Her husband will not accept that REDACTED is homosexual. He told her, "that word does not exist for me in the English language."

This man has taken over REDACTED life. Now REDACTED is a walking Zombie.

His brother is going crazy, and his father is not working and is making no money.

REDACTED



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Your son is very free to contact me directly, or he may send me a letter by way of you.

I do hope this will be helpful to you, and please know you have my sympathy in this difficult time.

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Nov. 1, 1990  
REDACTED

Enclosed in the  
letter you wrote  
to me.

1.

Dear Msgr. Curry,

I received your letter today  
on the 9th of Oct. I have called  
you 3 times ~~several days apart~~ & left a message  
for you to call me back. I  
have not heard from you at  
all and I do not know how  
much longer I can hold  
on. I believe you told me on  
the telephone that I could call  
you. Why have you not called me back?

I showed REDACTED (my son) your  
letter. He was very upset with  
the letter and said that he wanted  
"psychiatric help, not just an  
"evaluation" of his situation".  
I told him that I would call  
you and get more information  
from you. as I have not heard  
from you, I am writing this  
letter as to what to do, about  
this madness - he gets hysterical  
everytime I mention The  
Catholic Church, he desperately  
needs help also from REDACTED  
REDACTED which he has been

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2.

on since he started gradually while at Mater Dei. When he graduated from Mater Dei he totally cleaned out his room, while my husband & I were on a retreat - when we got home Sunday eve. Our youngest son told us he left home - his bedroom door was open & it was so stripped & completely empty - even lights. That he had built into the ceiling were gone - I collapsed at the inside of his bedroom door. It was as if he had died - the same feeling came over me when I died. I will finish this letter tomorrow and am shaking so badly.

REDACTED

Nov. 20, 1990

Nov. 20. 1990. 11

I can't keep writing these letters, ~~that~~ this living hell is bad enough, but to keep putting it on paper is almost impossible - reliving all these horrors. I did not continue to write you the following day, because there is too, too much to tell - I need to either tell you all this in person or find some other way -

REDACTED keeps on REDACTED

REDACTED & God knows what all & REDACTED

REDACTED  
REDACTED

We've had have always been very close - he has told me things he would never tell his father or even his brother. He brought some pictures over <sup>to</sup> our house <sup>Jan. 1991</sup> of he & a girl that was visiting her from England - I was <sup>REDACTED</sup> thanking God because "I've said for the first time" I am in love!! He always

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was so concerned that he would end up a homosexual. He used to talk to me about that quite often and with tears in his eyes would ask me if I thought he would become 'gay' ~~and always~~ ~~also~~ because of Fr. Kouhls I always assured him that he ~~would~~ would not become gay. He said he was terrified of ~~life~~ of sex - he said he tried it with several girls but REDACTED REDACTED

about it. He never told his father anything about this because he seemed to become more fearful of him, because of the horrors of Fr. Kouhls, his own father did not seem to show him any love or appreciation like he did his younger brother. So REDACTED sort of became attached to me until he left home. But then when we found him, he became close to me

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3.

again and would discuss God  
the Father (whom he said he  
was terrified of and of Jesus  
Christ (God the Son) whom  
he loved - but all the  
thing he talked to me

REDACTED

REDACTED

June 2, 1991

I have not ~~so~~ finished  
writing to you because  
I had to start taking Psychotherapy  
from a Christian ~~not~~  
therapist - he prayed  
for me before & after each  
session because as soon as  
everything ~~seems~~ to get a little  
better, it gets <sup>10</sup> times  
worse. With <sup>REDACTED</sup> <sup>REDACTED</sup>  
brother beat him up so badly  
several times because of <sup>REDACTED</sup>  
his young

REDACTED

REDACTED

I can't go on.

24603

1.

March 5, 1991

I believe in my first letter to you, dated ~~Sept 24~~ 1990.

I told you that ~~REDACTED~~ father

REDACTED

All I want to do is hurry up & get this letter finished because if I had the strength I could & would write <sup>about</sup> about these 21 years & hell we have been going through. ~~REDACTED~~ younger brother has ~~REDACTED~~ a his ~~REDACTED~~ brother - is starting to

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2.

more + more + is late  
for work for hours + now  
days at a time.

This cannot go on  
any longer - I want  
a Court trial by jury  
(especially ~~for~~ <sup>with</sup> mothers who  
have little ones as altar boys  
to hear all of this).

I will demand a  
settlement from The  
Catholic Church - so

that I can get all the  
Help for my son - REDACTED

So that he can become a Human  
being again. and also  
a settlement for all the  
rest of my family - husband  
youngest son, + myself - for  
all this horror that he had  
to live with for 21 yrs.

24608

you may God forgive  
our sins

REDACTED

March 9, 1991

Called Mrs. <sup>REDACTED</sup> in response to the packet of letters we received from her on March 8, 1991. The letters were of various dates and seemingly incoherent in many points. Her final letter asked that I call her.

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Said all she wanted was a financial "settlement," and she would take the money and kidnap <sup>REDACTED</sup> away from the maniac with whom he was living and get him into the best psychiatric treatment available.

I listened to her for about 20 minutes and when I said I could not send her a "settlement," she said she would have to go to the newspapers and hung up.

T.D.

REDACTED

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REDACTED

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T.D.

24609



11

Aug. 26th 1991  
REDACTED REDACTED

was the 27th of aug. We were invited to a birthday party for REDACTED by this young man around REDACTED age. But he is built like a football player my husband & I & REDACTED brother all went plus a dozen or more people to REDACTED party.

Now more hell on earth and it always gets worse after each of REDACTED birthdays - a few days after REDACTED birthday he found out this pervert was in REDACTED apt. and forced REDACTED to become his lover. He made threats to REDACTED he made REDACTED write down everything he was terrified of, he totally brainwashed REDACTED & has now taken over complete control over REDACTED life, his car his apt. & how & when to REDACTED called us a REDACTED couple of months ago at 3:15 Sat morning crying &

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screaming on the telephone  
 for us to pick him up  
 and bring him to our home.  
 My husband flew out the  
 door & told me to stay by  
 the phone in case he called  
 back. <sup>REDACTED</sup> had to run out  
 of his own apt. & kept running  
 & hiding in the bushes waiting  
 for his father to pick him  
 up. When my husband  
 brought him here to the  
 house - I thought I would have  
 a heart attack - he was beaten  
 up. The top part of his  
 hair on his head was <sup>gone</sup>  
 off. <sup>He had a cap on so I wasn't sure, but it felt</sup> and he was crying  
 hysterically. - I wanted to call  
 the police immediately, but  
<sup>REDACTED</sup> was in such a terror <sup>in</sup>  
 he ~~pleaded~~ pleaded & begged  
 me not to <sup>call them</sup> - I don't know  
 how much more we can take  
<sup>REDACTED</sup> stayed at our house for  
 5 days, I begged him not to  
 go back, but this <sup>pervert</sup> <sup>REDACTED</sup>  
 is his name called him <sup>heard from</sup>  
 & <sup>REDACTED</sup> talked with him.

turned him down & told him so that he could not  
 He said up. <sup>REDACTED</sup>  
 I said, because it was totally like that when  
 the police picked him up. <sup>REDACTED</sup>  
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 the police picked him up. <sup>REDACTED</sup>

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3.

and went back to his apt. I talked to my doctor & therapist to ask what to do about this ~~situation~~ situation. They both said that this <sup>REDACTED</sup> person had such a hold on <sup>Brainwashed</sup> him that <sup>REDACTED</sup> was in such fear of him that he would agree to whatever <sup>REDACTED</sup> would tell the police. - I refuse to see my son (this is what my Christian therapist said to me that " <sup>REDACTED</sup> is dying", as I started to say I refuse to see my ~~son~~ <sup>son</sup> dying in this living hell, plus his brother has started ~~calling~~ calling me a lesbian to my face & screamed at me that <sup>REDACTED</sup> was gay - gay - gay - He yelled at me ~~our~~ youngest son for us to get help for <sup>REDACTED</sup> - I said I had been trying for a year and will continue to do so even though <sup>REDACTED</sup> ~~him~~ <sup>sure</sup> it will kill <sup>REDACTED</sup> + I both <sup>perhaps</sup> our youngest son <sup>if this</sup> <sup>times to 9</sup>

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