

I met with Sr. Pat Kelly, of Catholic Social Services, for vocational counseling. There was two meetings.

FIRST MEETING:

I told Sr. Kelly of my abuse from Gana, in detail. She asked how long I was in therapy. She acted shocked when I told her 2½ years; 'Really that long, I hope he is helping you'. She questioned me about my parents and why they weren't suspicious. She asked why I was angry with the Archdiocese(AD.) and the Catholic Church, when it was Gana who molested me. I explained how the AD. had received reports of possible molestation, from Gana's brother, and how the AD. didn't follow thru with these reports. She reminded me that that Gana wasn't the first person to do this to me. She asked why I wasn't angry with the first perpetrator. I explained, again, how Gana brainwashed me, and made me think what was going on was O.K., because he loved me. She asked how the abuse started and what levels it reached. She asked, in so many words, if I received sexual satisfaction from the abuse, I responded yes that that guilt was very hard for me to get over. She told me I needed to pray to get rid of my anger, and asked if I had God in my life. I told I had God in my life but not the God she believes in. She proceeded trying to find out who and/or what my God was. She continued asking me why I felt the AD. was at fault. She asked me why I was no longer working as a nurse. I explained that I never wanted to be a nurse, that Gana talked me into becoming a nurse. I also explained how working as a nurse was placing my sobriety in jeopardy. She asked what I wanted to with my life. I explained I wasn't sure.. She asked me what I liked doing, I told her I could perform many technical tasks, but wasn't sure if I wanted to make a career of any of those skills. I told her I wanted vocational testing. She told me she would get information on testing and job training. She refocused the meeting on the AD., inquiring what information I had, what the names of the other victims were, and how I was going to use what information I had. I told her she didn't need to know such details. However the media was going to be one of my main vehicles. She asked why I was focusing on money, and receiving a financial settlement. She proceeded to tell me that money was not going to make me happy. I told her that is the way our judicial system is set up.

Notes kept by "John," a victim of Fr. Gana, of two meetings, held in 1997 or 1998, with Sister Patricia Kelly, a site supervisor for Catholic Social Services. She suggests John shares blame for his abuse and asks him if he received "sexual satisfaction." GJ-20

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She again asked what I hoped to gain from a financial settlement, that money wasn't going to heal me. I told her that money wasn't going to heal me, but provide me with the opportunity to get healing. She acted shocked, and stated " I hope your therapist doesn't believe that". She again advised me to pray to get rid of my anger. She asked if I knew where Gana was. I told her yes and that he was around young boys, and I was going to distribute a letter to all the homes in that parrish informing them they have a child molester in their midst. She told me I've had a hard life and I needed to focus on God and pray. She told me she would pray for me that I might lose my anger. She then asked how I was paying my bills, and where I was getting money for Christmas. I told her I had already taken care of Christmas, But I was going to need help with January's bills. She told me she would check with her boss, that she didn't know if they could help me with my bills. THE MEETING ENDED ELAPSED TIME 105 MIN.

SECOND MEETING:

She opened by informing me that she spoke with her boss, who spoke with Rev. Lynn, and they assured me that Gana didn't have access to young boys. She then gave me a paper with job info on it, explained what she found and how hard it was to find it. She asked about my monthly expenses. I explained what and how much they were. She asked who I paid my rent to. I told her and asked why she needed that information. She stated all checks must go thru CSS. I told her I didn't want the realty company knowing CSS was paying my rent. She became upset and asked me where I was getting money for gas and food. I told her food was low. She told me of a catholic food bank in the northeast, but wasn't sure of it's location that she would give me the info. at our next meeting. She then switched the conversation, telling me how I needed God in my life and how he would fix all my problems. I told her that God didn't need to fix my problems, the AD. needed to fix my problems. She became visibly upset, She stated, " You know the AD. isn't at fault here, you were molested by someone before you met this preist. You have to accept blame for your part in your abuse." I asked her if she was saying the abuse I suffered was my fault? She said yes. I told her the meeting was over, that she wasn't my therapist. She said O.K. good. She began to pack her things.

I asked her if she had training in treating people who were molested as children, or if she had training in treating people with post traumatic stress disorder. She said yes, and reality was part the therapy and I had better face reality or I was never going to get better.

I left. Sr. Pat Kelly has not contacted me since.

ELAPSED TIME 35 MIN.

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