

TIMELINE OF DOCUMENTS REGARDING DANIEL MASSIE¹

1/18/80 – Ordained

1/30/80 Massie appointed Associate Pastor at St. Mary's parish in Menomonee Falls, WI. (44712)

1/31/80 – Associate Pastor, St. Mary Parish, Menomonee Falls, WI

2/6/84 Handwritten letter from Weakland to Massie. Weakland has always seen Massie as an excellent and dedicated priest and is proud to be associated with him. Weakland sensed a little immaturity or boyishness in him, but says that can be an advantage too. (44717)

11/15/85 Massie appointed Associate Pastor of St. Rita parish in West Allis, WI effective January 14, 1986. (44685)

1/14/86 – Associate Pastor, St. Rita Parish, West Allis, WI

3/17/88 Vicar Log Entry indicates Sklba met with Massie regarding alleged misconduct. Massie acknowledged his attraction toward working with children and he has been perceived to be inappropriate. He has revised his principles of acceptable social conduct and has been seeking counseling. (44750)

3/28/88 Vicar Log Entry No. 267. Sklba received a call from counselor who is dealing with a Massie abuse survivor. The counselor asked if Sklba intended to make a report, which he said he would. Sklba then contacted social services and told Massie, who was going to seek out-patient counseling. (44750)

3/31/88 Vicar Log Entry No. 287 indicates Sklba spoke with a police sergeant about the allegations of abuse against Massie. (44750)

3/31/88 Police reports from Germantown Police Department regarding a report from Sklba of sexual assault by Massie involving juvenile females. Sexual contact occurred over the last three years. (30490-30494)

10/26/88 Deferred prosecution agreement regarding sexual assault by Massie. (30506-30508)

2/21/89 Memo from Joseph Dean to Sklba regarding his meeting with Martin Kohler, who represents Massie, and Robert Asti, who is the attorney for one of the individuals. The family is grateful for the counseling help, but concerned with how long it would continue. The individual is unwilling to continue counseling at this time,

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but the family is concerned she might need it when she is older. Dean told them it would last no more than 2 years. The individual is afraid of any publicity, and this is partially the reason that she is unwilling to receive therapy at this time. (18193)

- 12/22/89 Vicar Log Entry indicates Sklba spoke to Massie who said therapy going well but he may be concluding his therapy despite the civil authorities requiring him to continue for another 3.5 years or a formal letter from the counselor stating that this was no longer necessary. Sklba told him the Archdiocese never received a copy of the stipulation and Massie told there were no obligations from the Archdiocese. (44753)
- 2/20/91 Vicar Log Entry No. 220 indicates Massie's lawyer called Massie to let him know a family engaged a lawyer to seek compensation for allegations of abuse in the past. Sklba recalled having paid a very small fee towards family counseling fees when allegation brought to their attention. (44753)
- 1/11/92 Settlement agreement and Mutual Release for \$20,000 with a confidentiality provision. Abuse survivor was represented by an attorney at the time of the settlement. Attorney signed the settlement papers. (18228-18234; 30600)
- 4/28/92 Massie appointed Associate Pastor at St. Elizabeth Ann Seaton parish in New Berlin, WI effective June 23, 1992. (44785)
- 5/11/92 Vicar Log Entry No. 373 indicates Rev. Venne received call from Massie asking for help for severe depression and alcohol problems. Venne arranged for Massie to go to Guest House for an evaluation. (44755)
- 5/15/1992 Vicar Log Entry No. 388. Venne received a call from Guest House informing him that Massie had been drinking heavily prior to coming to Guest House.
- 5/22/1999 Vicar Log Entry No. 388. Venne received a call from Guest House. Issues regarding Massie's attraction to 7-12 year old girls had surfaced and Massie may need a different program in his future. (44755)
- 5/21/92 Letter from Supervisor at Guest House to Rev. Venne updating Venne on Massie's treatment at Guest House. Letter says Massie was admitted for treatment on May 13 and had exhibited mild withdrawal symptoms. (18196-18197)
- 5/31/92 Parish bulletin including a note from Massie saying that he has a drinking problem and has been away for treatment at the Guest House in Rochester, MN. (18487)
- 6/5/99 Vicar Log Entry. Venne met with Massie at Guest House. Massie reports that he feels that his treatment for alcoholism is going well, but that the staff feels that it

is too soon to evaluate the other issues regarding sexuality. A decision about further treatment will be made in late July. (44755)

- 6/9/92 Handwritten letter from parents of girl who was molested by Massie to Weakland. Massie molested the girl when she was a student at St. Mary's Church. Parents are asking for help for therapy for the girl. (18217-18219)
- 6/24/92 Letter from Sklba to the mother of a girl who was abused by Massie. He says they previously met with him in 1988, not Weakland. Sklba encouraged them to cooperate with civil authorities. He is seeking additional counsel before responding to her request for her daughter's counseling. (18237)
- 6/24/92 Letter from Guest House director to Venne regarding Massie. (18220)
- 7/15/92 Vicar Log Entry No. 486 indicates Rev. Venne met with Weakland, who had reservations about Massie returning to parish ministry. (18332)
- 7/22/92 Vicar Log Entry No. 505 indicates Rev. Venne had discussions with Guest House about Massie's sexuality concerns. Venne also spoke to Weakland, who was concerned that Massie had not addressed his sexuality issues but was open to Massie being assigned with more controlled supervision, that Massie live in the rectory, and that Massie receive regular counseling. (18332)
- 8/14/92 Venne met with counselor from Guest House and Massie. Counselor stated that all but one of the staff at Guest House agreed that Massie was suitable for continuing in parish ministry. (18332).
- 8/31/92 Vicar Log Entry No. 613 indicates Rev. Venne told Massie that Weakland approved his return to parish ministry with the conditions that he live in the rectory, have adequate supervision, and continue the conditions of this relationship with minors, as well as the appropriate counseling. (18333)
- 9/8/92 Massie appointed Team Member Pro Tem at Blessed Trinity Parish in Milwaukee, WI effective September 8, 1992. (44676)

9/8/92 – Team Member Pro Tem, Blessed Trinity Parish, Milwaukee, WI

- 2/21/95 Vicar Log Entry No. 138 says CCS called Massie asking him to see Piasecki for an evaluation. The Archbishop wanted a final evaluation to determine whether Massie could be without restriction before being assigned to a pastorate. (44758)
- 3/31/95 Letter from Weakland to Massie indicating Weakland read the police "blot" and found it more serious than he thought. He asked Massie to call Liz Piasecki so he could be evaluated. The results of the evaluation are to be shared with Sklba, Straub and Weakland. (44724)

- 4/6/95 Vicar Log Entry No. 241 indicates Massie called Sklba regarding further evaluations. Piasecki warned of the possible subpoenaability of the treatment evaluation, and Massie indicated his hesitancy to speak about inner emotional responses and has initial intention to answer any questions regarding activity or behavior. After Sklba discussed the situation with Weakland, he called Massie and suggested the evaluation document be destroyed upon receipt to protect Massie's client-counselor privilege. (44758)
- 4/10/95 Vicar Log Entry No. 256. Sklba reviewed reports from 1988 the agreement for deferred prosecution – psychological evaluation did occur and there was a stipulation that there be no unsupervised contact with minors along with some sharing of information with Fr. Hudjak pastor of St. Rita's and that periodic progress reports supplied. He hasn't heard of the requirement for period progress reports and does not know if the therapist provided this service. (44759)
- 4/17/95 Letter to therapist from Liz Piasecki enclosing police reports on allegations against Massie and thanking him for agreeing to evaluate Massie.
- 6/19/95 Massie appointed Associate Pastor at St. Aloysius Parish in West Allis, WI effective June 20, 1995. (18266)

6/20/95 – Associate Pastor, St. Aloysius Parish, West Allis

- 11/29/95 Vicar Log Entry No. 415 indicates CCS called Massie—Massie is concerned about the Archbishop feeling that he can never be placed as Pastor where there is a school. The parish he is in now (as an associate pastor) has a school. (44759)
- 12/26/96 Letter from Weakland to Massie in response to Massie's letter of November 12, 1996. Weakland states that he discussed the matter with the Consultors, and that they are all in agreement that it is time that Massie receive his own parish. Says because of pressure from insurance companies they might have to have safeguards in place. (18361) Letter of November 12th stated that it was Massie's understanding that Weakland might approve if Massie might seek another assignment, probably as a pastor if certain reservations were met. (18362-18363)
- 4/13/98 Letter from Weakland to Massie asking him to become the team member at St. Michael, St. Peter and St. Patrick in Beaver Dam, WI effective June 16, 1998. (44877)

6/16/98 – Team Member, St. Michael, St. Peter, St. Patrick Parishes, Beaver Dam, WI

- 10/10/99 Email from Massie- he is in Ireland on fall sabbatical. (18299)
- 1/28/00 Letter from Massie to Weakland regarding three parishes becoming one corporation. (44734-44735)

- 3/9/00 Letter from Weakland to Massie thanking him for his letter about the three parishes and saying they will keep it in mind. (44884)
- 4/3/02 Letter from Vicar for Clergy, Hornacek, to Massie saying his is one of 6 that the Special Commission on sexual abuse cases will be reviewing. He needs to sign releases for the diocesan attorneys. (44887)
- 8/25/2002 Letter to Dolan from unknown (redacted) regarding the Archdiocese's adoption of the charter and dismissing Massie. Letter says allegations were made against Massie four years after the abuse and they were investigated by police and no charges brought. (44635-44636)
- 8/28/08 Letter to Sklba from unknown (redacted) who is disturbed about Massie's dismissal from ministry. Massie has paid his debt to society. (44634)
- 12/5/02 Letter from Dolan to Massie thanking him for his willingness to step aside from responsibilities at Beaver Dam Parishes in response to the request from Bishop Sklba to do so. They are waiting for clarification from the Holy See but Dolan does not foresee ever authorizing his return to ministry, nor would he recommend him to another diocese or religious community. Dolan asks Massie to resign and consider voluntary laicization. (56189)
- 2/5/03 Letter from Rev. Hornacek to Massie discussing a previous request for him to voluntarily submit his resignation. Proposes now that he elect to be voluntary laicized and receive \$20,000 (\$10,000 when the petition is submitted and \$10,000 when a definitive response is received) for doing so or have the penal process imposed. (18508-18509)
- 2/5/03 Letter from Dolan to Massie--Dolan is proceeding with Massie's canonical removal from Ss. Michael, Patrick and Peter Parishes. (18422)
- Undated Summary of Files on Massie. Includes a summary of the allegations against Massie and says the case was turned over to the district attorney, who was willing to file an agreement of deferred prosecution on the count of sexual assault. The agreement was deemed confidential. One of the conditions of the agreement was that Massie receive psychological counseling, which Massie has done. (18424)
- 2/27/03 Letter from Massie to Dolan appealing Dolan's decision to remove him from the parishes in Beaver Dam. (44616)
- 3/28/03 Decree signed by Dolan removing Massie from his position as pastoral team member at St. Michael, St. Patrick and St. Peter parishes. (18452-18453)
- 6/26/03 Note from Massie to Dolan indicating he will not seek appeal to the Vatican and will begin the process of voluntary laicization. (56170)

- 9/6/03 Massie's request for laicization and dispensation. (40003-40006)
- 9/10/03 Letter from Hornacek to Massie regarding financial support he will receive, including \$10,000 when his laicization petition is sent to Rome and \$10,000 when a response is received. (56169)
- 9/23/03 Letter from Dolan to Ratzinger explaining Massie's history including a report in 1988, which reported sexual abuse by Massie of two girls. He acknowledged the abuse and the police deferred prosecution as long as Massie got counseling. The Archdiocese settled with one of the individuals in 1991 for \$20,000. In 1995, after a psychological evaluation, Weakland returned Massie to full ministry. Now, given the Norms and the Charter, which provide that "even one act of sexual abuse of a minor will result in the loss of the exercise of priestly ministry," Massie resigned. (39983-39984)
- 6/13/04 Email from Massie to Hornacek saying Massie is getting married in the Episcopalian Church. (44574)
- 7/1/07 Letter from Vicar for Clergy, Rev. Curt Frederick, to Massie saying the CDF has not responded to his petition for voluntary laicization. (39978)
- 8/3/09 Massie's petition for voluntary laicization was granted and he was returned to the lay state. (39973-39974)