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Subject: Bishop Malone's stance on the need for the Pope to apologise. Yes we all need the Pope to meet the matter head on and to say he acknowledges the damage - spiritual, psychological, emotional and physical.

Dear Bishop Malone,

You will remember me - AC

I'm sure you would like to know that I've been getting on with my life, but I can also tell you that quite recently the psychological ramifications have reared their head again. The mark does not go away. Yet, we live on.

I was gratified to hear you address clergy sexual abuse and the Pope's visit this evening on Radio National.

I wait the Pope's visit with my own interest, as you can well imagine. I, along with so many, was disappointed that the Pope, when in the USA, seemed to need to be convinced of the need to address this canker within the Church.

I've also been disappointed that there seems to be a great Catholic silence re Bishop Geoffrey Robinson's book. I know I can't possibly be in touch with all Catholic discourse, yet I would've hoped that the response may have been more, well catholic.

From my own side, I have been wanting to ask you my own nagging question for some time.

Is Denis McAlinden still alive? Since he has not been de-frocked, I'm sure you'd know.

Thank you for your work - it must be onerous and lonely in the extreme.

I'll need much extra Grace,

Kind regards, Dear AC

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Thanks for getting in touch - yes, I do remember you. Sorry you have suffered some setbacks. Hope you are on the mend. Denis McAlinden died in Perth on 30th November 2005. Keep well! Best wishes,