

Reverend Monsignor Alex Stinson,
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Ireland.

Dear Alex,

First, thanks very much for your returning my phone call on Monday night (our time) and for sharing so freely of your expertise and experience in the matter.

The priest whom we are having difficulties with is Father Denis McAlinden, now about seventy years old, and who has given his contact address as C/- Fr Patrick Hallinan, Glen Mhuire, Ballinamult, Clonmel, Co Tipperary. We can only assume that he is still in Ireland. Pat is a retired priest from this diocese.

We are applying to have Denis dispensed from priesthood, and I gather that the previous bishop and V.G. were made aware that it is not the best way to go, but in the circumstances thought it wiser to go down that path. I'll let you know how we get on.

Regards to +Dermot O'Mahony, together we gave some girls' retreats with Michael Walsh in the late 60's.

Very best wishes,

(Rev) William Burston,
Vicar General
16 May, 1996