

MESSAGE

NR 55

DETAILS: sexual harassment
 involving a priest - hol
 on. Not RYAN
 24 between 1.40-3.00 pm

DATE 12/11/77
 TIME 10.50 AM
 TEL 43295

URGENT

NEWCASTLE ZS: FDMca - VOL 1/

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NR 55

re her son: NR 72 who was sexually abused, he claimed, by Fr. Denis McAlindan at ~~Abbotsford~~ ^{Shortland} several years ago.

NR 72 is now 28 yrs of age. He claims the abuse went on for 10 years since he was about 7 yrs of age.

NR 72 revealed this to his mother only last weekend (29-30 November) and has told no-one at all until this time.

I advised NR 55, to report the matter to the Police A.S.A.P. and mentioned to her that we had received the complaints about McAlindan, but which the complainants had refused to report to the Police. Bishop Blake and I had been instigating proceedings for the prosecution of McAlindan. p. 689



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After expressing sorrow, I urged her to seek counselling through Bantacare - for her son and herself. The Diocese will pay for same.

I rang Bantacare to alert her to expect her call.

+ Michael Malone