

JACK KROUGH – TIMELINE



5/21/76- Ordained

5/24/76 Letter from Bishop of Winona to Krough appointing him full time instructor of religion at Pacelli High School, Austin and associate pastor of St. Augustine Parish, Austin, effective June 11, 1976. (JK000319)

6/11/76 – Associate Pastor, Saint Augustine, Austin, MN; Instructor, Pacelli High School, Austin, MN

5/22/80 Letter from the Bishop of Winona to Krough appointing him to the faculty of Cotter High school and some pastoral duties at the Church of Saint Stanislaus in Winona, effective June 23, 1980. (JK000324)

6/23/80 – Instructor, Cotter High School, Winona, MN

10/13/80 Letter from Krough to the Bishop saying he discussed with Literski the Bishop's request for a priest to serve in the National Guard and Literski encouraged Krough to reconsider. (JK000325)

1981- Instructor, Cotter High School and Associate, Saint Stanislaus, Winona, MN

2/20/81 Letter from the Bishop of Winona appointing Krough Advocate to Diocesan Tribunal. (JK000332)

10/3/83 Bishop Watters appoints Krough as Associate Judge Tribunal of the Diocese of Winona. (JK000338)

5/14/85 Letter from the Bishop of Winona to Krough appointing him to Lourdes High School, Rochester and some pastoral responsibilities at St. Pius X Parish while continuing chaplaincy with the Minnesota National Guard. (JK000339)

7/2/85 – Parochial Vicar, St. Pius X, Rochester; Instructor, Lourdes High School, Rochester, MN

5/9/90 Letter from Bishop Vlazny to Krough appointing him pastor of All Saints Church, New Richland and St. Joseph Church, Waldorf, effective June 29, 1990. (JK000340)

6/29/90 – Pastor, All Saints, New Richland, MN and St. Joseph, Waldorf, MN

- 7/26/93 Letter from Krough to Bishop Vlazny- Krough **intends to follow through on recommendations of the Saint Luke Institute. He cannot remember victim's name, but will try to comply with the Bishop's request. (JK000055)**
- 5/16/96 Letter from Bishop Vlazny to Krough appointing him pastor of Saint Edwards Church, Austin and Our Lady of Loretto Church, Brownsdale, effective July 1, 1996. (JK000345)
- 7/1/96 – Pastor, Saint Edward, Austin, MN; Pastor, Our Lady of Loretto, Brownsdale, MN
- 10/30/96 Letter from Krough to Bishop Vlazny saying he wants to sit down and tell his story after feeling he was subjected to unfair complaints and criticisms. (JK000056)
- 7/7/97 **Investigation report and findings into child sexual abuse allegations against Krough while he was at Pacelli from 1976-1980 and Cotter from 1980-1985.** Krough grabbed a survivor's penis, wrestled with him and grabbed his genitals, coerce the survivor to sit on his lap with an erection, etc. Krough took another survivor to a hotel and sexually molested him. On another occasion, Krough masturbated the survivor to ejaculation. **Fr. Hoepfner and Vitek showed Krough pictures of the survivors making the reports. Krough admitted to virtually all of the sexual abuse. (JK000061-69)**
- 7/18/97 Letter from Fr. Michael Hoepfner to Krough placing him on administrative leave and sending him to St. Luke's Institute on July 20, 1997. (JK000348)
- 7/25/97 Letter from Fr. Hoepfner to Krough- St. Luke will accept him on August 6, 1997. He is free to minister between now and then but will return to administrative leave on August 6. (JK000070)
- 8/6/97 – Leave of Absence
- 8/14/97 Letter from Krough to Bishop Vlazny. Krough is at St. Luke and cannot leave the grounds for the first 30 days except for 12 step meetings. When he leaves for meetings he leaves early enough to "wander around". He is sorry for the pain he has caused the Diocese. (JK00082-83)
- 8/15/97 Letter from Bishop Vlazny to a Krough survivor saying that after an investigation into his report immediate action was taken with regard to Krough. "My deep sorrow for your situation." (JK000085)
- 9/16/97 Letter from Bishop Vlazny to survivor of sexual abuse by Krough. Mr. John Vitek has looked into the report. Krough admitted to abusing the survivor. Mr. Vitek will arrange counseling for the survivor. (JK000377)
- 10/22/97 Letter from Hoepfner to Krough. "I would not be publishing information as to where a brother goes on a leave of absence like the one you are on unless the brother specifically asks for this." (JK000355)
- 11/4/97 Letter from Mike Saffel of Gallagher Bassett, administrator of Winona Diocese self-insurance Program, to Mr. John Vitek. Loss Date-07/01/79. He was asked to gather information on the claimant and Krough and to inquire whether there is

prior knowledge of Krough's predisposition for sexually abusive behavior.
(JK000371)

- 2/26/98 Letter from Vitek to Fr. Hoepfner. Krough self-reported to the staff at Saint Luke Institute. Dr. Walter Bera PhD is treating two Krough survivors. Dr. Bera is in contact with St. Luke and is aware of the treatment and after care plan.
(JK000099)
- 3/3/98 Handwritten notes- Krough setup one on one modeling in the park under guise of wanting to photograph a young man, he fondled genitals, invited to rectory and tried something. (JK000391)
- 3/8/98 **Investigation report of abuse by Krough when he was advisor of the High School Photography Club.** Krough taught at Pacelli from 1976-1980. Follow-up from handwritten notes- Krough fondled the survivor's genitals in the park while photographing him, tried to abuse him in the rectory. **(JK000386-387)**
- 3/18/98 Letter from Dr. Bera to Diocese regarding concerns about Krough and his **continued dangerousness if returned to ministry.** Public announcements should be made to past parishes and schools as is done in the public sector. **Do parishioners and families know what is going on with Krough?** (JK000102-103)
- 3/30/98 Letter from Fr. Hoepfner to a survivor of abuse by Krough. Mr. Vitek investigated the report and Krough acknowledged the sexual abuse. (JK000108)
- 3/30/98 Findings of Alleged Sexual Misconduct by Krough. **The evidence supports the victim's claim of criminal sexual conduct by Krough.** (JK000388)
- 4/16/98 Letter from Fr. Hoepfner to Krough **reinstating faculties as a priest in good standing of the Diocese of Winona. Krough is not to be in one on one situations with young men. He will work as chaplain at Assisi Heights.** (JK000111)

4/17/98 – Chaplain, Assisi Heights, Rochester, MN

- 6/24/98 Letter from Fr. McGrath to unknown asking the recipient to monitor Krough.
(JK000112)
- 7/13/98 Letter from Fr. Hoepfner to unknown confirming the recipient's agreement to act as Krough's monitor at Assisi Heights. (JK000113)
- 11/19/98 Memo from McGrath to Krough file. Krough is strongly attracted to men with AIDs and in serious emotional distress. Only one sister knows of his situation, no one else. (JK000132)

1998 - Our Lady of Loreto, Brownsdale, MN

- 2/17/99 Letter from McGrath to Krough. Bishop Harrington asked Fr. McGrath to review Krough's ministry. He reminds Krough that he is never to be alone with a minor. McGrath also wants to inquire about Krough's commitment to the National Guard. (JK000358)

- 7/27/99 Memo from McGrath to Krough's file providing an update from Dr. Bera's treatment of Krough survivors. Krough groomed and manipulated elementary youth, provided them alcohol and drugs. The survivor requests the diocese give him \$10,000 for dental work. (JK000153)
- 8/3/99 Memo from McGrath to the file. He met with Krough and Krough's monitor to formalize the reporting procedure so the Diocese could continue to exercise its responsibility for supervision. (JK000154)
- 10/1/99 Saint Luke Institute Report on Krough after he attended his third continuing care workshop. Recommends continuing his support groups and work toward termination of regular therapy sessions. (JK 000158-160)
- 11/1/99 Memo from McGrath summarizing his meeting with Krough. McGrath specifically asked him if he had any involvement in internet activity, pornography sites, chat rooms and the like. Krough denied this. "Amongst all our priests Jack is the most computer literate." (JK000161-162)

1999-2002- Chaplain, Franciscan Nuns; Associate, St. Pius X, Rochester, MN

- 4/26/00 Memo from Fr. McGrath to Bishop Harrington suggesting Harrington meet with Krough to suggest laicization. **The file they have on Krough suggests he is someone they do not want in active ministry not simply because of his current lifestyle. "It is a wonder he was ordained."** (JK000365)
- 11/3/00 Memo from the Sexual Misconduct Team (Bishop Harrington, Fr. Hoepfner, PJ Thompson) to Bishop Harrington. They interviewed Krough regarding the last St. Luke report and his recovery process. He did not think interaction with youth was a problem. (JK000179-180)
- Undated Letter from unknown sender to Bishop Harrington saying **last Saturday, May 18 Krough touched him in inappropriate places** in his office. He also made inappropriate advances in the rectory, but nothing happened. **He had been emailing (emails dated May 2002) with Krough after meeting him at a Lenten workshop. Krough touched his bottom, kissed his neck, held him "as would a lover," slid his hand across his pants over his penis, grabbed his upper thigh, and lifted his shirt.** Writer asks the Bishop to begin an investigation into the sexual misconduct of Krough. (JK000425-426)
- Undated Notes from an interview with Krough by Bishop Harrington, Fr. Hoepfner, and P.J. Thompson as part of an investigation of sexual misconduct by Krough. Appears to be the investigation into the complaint alleging misconduct in Krough's office and in the rectory. (JK000014-18)
- Interview of the victim describes the abuse he suffered by Krough. (JK00019-23)
- 6/5/02 Email from the survivor who wrote to Bishop Harrington above to PJ Thompson thanking PJ for how he handled the allegation. He also asks if Krough's former parishes have been notified to encourage others abused by Krough to come forward. (JK000208)

- 6/10/02 Memo from Krough's monitor to Fr. McGrath with the quarterly follow up report. Krough was made aware of "false accusations" against him, he is devastated and anxious. "I affirm and laud his honesty, and fully support him at this time." (JK000209)
- 6/25/02 Letter from Bishop Harrington to Krough notifying him he is removed from all priestly ministry and listing restrictions on him, including he is not to present himself publicly as a priest and he is not to celebrate mass publicly. Possibilities for Krough's future include laicization, retirement with a disability pension, and living a life of solitude, prayer and penance in a monastery. (JK000416)
- 10/1/02 Letter from Bishop Harrington to Krough letting him know that **the Priest Pension Board unanimously granted Krough a full pension of \$1300/month and health care. (JK000362)**
- 6/12/05 Krough's monthly self-report to the Bishop about his pastoral care and recovery. To the question "**Have you been alone with adolescents?**" he answers "**Yes and No.**" **Krough explains that his nephew just graduated high school and him and his friends come through the house,** but Krough discourages it. (JK 000242-245)
- 7/25/05 Krough's monthly self-report to the Bishop about his pastoral care and recovery. He moved to Barron Wisconsin to live with family. (JK000250-252)
- 7/9/13 Letter from Msgr. Paul Heiting to Krough requesting he seek laicization. (JK000413)
- 7/25/13 Letter from Krough to Pope Francis petitioning to be laicized. He admits to sexual impropriety with a minor. (JK000409)
- Votum summarizing Krough's history and allegations of abuse against him. (JK000404-408)**
- Krough's Curriculum Vitae. (JK000400-401)