

SEMINARIAN EVALUATION

Name of Seminarian Jordan MacRae Date 8/15/79

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1) a) Did the seminarian become truly involved in the parish ministry? Yes

b) In what particular areas was he most involved? Many areas, - youth work, in particular; visiting sick and elderly; physical work - painting, The Church in Dublin, acting as Lectur. at Mass.

2) How do you rate his effectiveness in the aforementioned areas of involvement?

Intense involvement - with great enthusiasm.

a) How well did he communicate with fellow workers? with young people, excellent - very open with adult community.

b) With you individually? at times strained - at times, very open -

4. a) Did he express a deep interest in parish liturgies? Yes -

b) How do you evaluate his participation in liturgical functions? very well - always read lessons well before reading them.

5. Do you consider him a man of prayer? Please explain. I didn't see him take an interest in prayer life. I brought it to his attention and he explained he did it privately and without any show.

6. Has he demonstrated friendliness and courtesy in his relationships with the Laity in the Parish? very friendly - has a tendency to become very involved with a few families in a total giving of himself. These families respect him and his influence on the community.

How would you rate his leadership ability, that is, his ability to inspire others and maintain confidence?

*In the families he concentrated on, they were very fond of him and in the relationship, had a beneficial effect on them.*

8. Did he demonstrate loyalty to and respect for the teachings of the church? *+*

*heard and saw nothing that would be contrary to the church teachings.*

9. What is his reaction to trying situations or to criticism? *+* *I think Gordon*

*measured up to them. We had no major confrontations but he did meet some negative people and he reacted well.*

10. How would you rate his punctuality? *+* *I think Gordon would have some*

*problems with this - not done intentionally but not a person to run his life by the clock.*

1. Has he shown initiative and creativity in his parish experience (in the liturgy, in education programs, etc.)?

*Didn't have much opportunity but each about many things he has done in the past that speaks of his creativity.*

2. How would you rate his personal appearance (dress, mannerisms, etc.)? *Very*

*clean. Overseen for the occasion.*

1. Is there any age group or area in which his ministry has been most effective?

*In the youth.*

What has impressed you most about this person? *ability to come very close*

*to young people and get confidences.*

a) Does he demonstrate those qualities which are required in one aspiring to sacred ordination? *Yes - he is on the road -*

Do you recommend that he be encouraged to pursue his priestly formation and education? Please explain. *Yes - Gordon is very enthusiastic*

*about the work he accomplishes.*

16 Does he seem to have an adequate understanding of theology? *I think this  
 question could be best answered by those authorities in the seminary.*

17. Are there any points which you feel should be brought to our attention as we help, guide and support this seminarian?  
*Integrate a deeper prayerlife with his spirited activism. I feel you  
 can burn yourself out real fast without it.*

18. Are there any points you feel should be brought to the seminary's attention? *I  
 think his spirited attempt might challenge some pastors in the future - maybe to  
 the detriment of the parish. Have the feeling - which I share with Gordon - that  
 he can be a loner.*

19. Are there any points which you feel ought to be brought to the seminarian's  
 attention as he prepare himself for ordination to the priesthood? *I saw him  
 make a big attempt to contact other seminarians and share with them. I  
 think too many of us in ministry "do our own thing".*

2 Any further comments concerning this Seminarian?

Signed Dan F. Moran

Date 8/15/79

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