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Dear Gordon:

Having just been informed of the "incident" referred to in the letter just written, I hasten to pen this more informal note to let you know that the action I have taken is that recommended by the legal division of NCCB. You have read enough, I know, to realize that the decision to suspend you from faculties in no way is meant to be judgemental on the "incident", but to safeguard the Church so that she cannot be accused of knowing and still letting the priest operate under her auspices when he could be taking advantage of adolescents.

I was sorry to hear of your accident. I assure you of my prayers that the good Lord watch over you and guide you and support you with his powerful arm during this difficult period. If I can be of any assistance to you, do not hesitate to get in touch.

Sincerely in the Lord,

Auxiliary Bishop of Manchester