

THE INSTITUTE OF LIVING
200 RETREAT AVENUE
HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT 06102

OFFICES OF THE
PSYCHIATRIST-IN-CHIEF

May 11, 1964

Your Excellency:

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Doctor McCawley has become quite adept at this, because, unfortunately, there is more and more of it coming to the surface in young clergymen. The trouble frequently begins in the seminary and apparently some spiritual directors just think it will go away if they pay no attention to it. Actually, anybody in an overt situation ought to be dismissed, because eventually he is going to get into trouble-- more often than not trouble with young boys.

Most Reverend Ernest J. Primeau

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I regret to give you this information. I am sure you gather from my letter that we see a lot more of it than we care to see.

[REDACTED]

With every good wish,

Sincerely,


Francis J. Braceland, M. D.
Psychiatrist-in-Chief

Most Reverend Ernest J. Primeau
Bishop of Manchester
Bishop's House
657 River Road
Manchester, New Hampshire

Father Osgood's latest address:

2/5/69

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Mr. Donald M. Osgood
4608-30 Arden Way
El Monte, Cal. 91732

Phone: Area Code 213 - 442 - 1080

Osgood

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February 19, 1969

Mr. Donald M. Osgood
4608-30 Arden Way
El Monte, California 91732

Dear Don,

Many thanks for your letter of February 5th. We were wondering about your whereabouts, especially at Christmas time when a few cards came in and we did not know where to send them. I hope you received all of your mail.

We have been buried in snow for a couple of weeks. It is raining today, however, and we hope the rain will reduce the accumulation.

It is good to know that your folks will be out to visit you. I hope that they are enjoying the trip. It seems like such a long one for them at their age, especially since they are going by car, but I am sure that they will do well.

Monsignor Belluscio resigned and Dinny Horan has just been named to Keene. Frank O'Connor will take his place in North Walpole. We have had a re-organization of the diocesan structure with three new vicars having been appointed: Kenney, Paradis and Olkovikas.

Please excuse the brevity of this letter. Best wishes from all of us here in Manchester. I hope you will keep in touch with us.

Sincerely in Christ,

Rt. Rev. Thomas S. Hansberry, P. A., V. G

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December 9, 1970

Donald M. Osgood
4608 -- 30 Arden Way
El Monte, California 91732

Monte

Dear Don,

I am writing this at the office and do not know whether the above is your latest address. I pulled my cards from the index at the house this morning and they are all mixed up, so I cannot check on it quickly. Let's hope you receive this in good season.

The main purpose of this missive is to inquire about your Blue Cross-Blue Shield and Major Medical insurance program. We have been carrying both for you but feel that you probably have some other arrangement by this time; if so, will you please let me know so that we can cancel here. It costs us \$144.00 per year for you at present.

Winter has finally arrived in Manchester and we have a couple of inches of snow on the ground today. We had a busy summer with quite a bit of sickness. My young brother died in June at the age of 40 as a result of a heart attack. This was quite a blow to all of us. We were very busy at the beach churches but the Saturday night Masses helped us greatly.

I hope all is well with you and your family. I have not had news from Bristol of late, so I can't give you any. I think Father Perreault owes me a letter on some business. He used to drop in occasionally but has not done so for several months.

Take care of yourself and let us hear from you when you have time. Best wishes for a Blessed Christmas!

Sincerely in Christ,

Thomas S. Hansberry,
Vicar General

DIOCESE OF MANCHESTER
 CHANCERY OFFICE
 145 LOWELL STREET
 MANCHESTER, N. H.

CURIA MANCHESTERIENSIS
 CONCORDAT CUM ORIGINALI

Thomas H. Handberg
 Secretarius 4/3/54
 Suprema Sacra Congregatio
 Sancti Officii

Can 987 # 1
 pro Religiosis

Num. Prot. 37/48

Beatissime Pater,

Donaldus M. Osgood, filius patris acatholici, Catholic baptizatus et educatus ab infantia, ad pedes S. V. humiliter provolutus dispensationem implorat super impedimento can. 987 # 1, ut Ordinem Sancti Benedicti ingredi valeat, et, suo tempore, ad SS. Ordines admittatur -----
 et Deus -----

Ex addibus S. Officii, die 13 martii, 1948

SSmus D. N. Pius divina Providentia Papa XII per facultates Supremae Sacrae Congregationi S. Officii impertitas preces benigne remisit prudenti arbitrio et conscientiae Revmi P. Superioris Generalis O. S. B. qui oratorem super impedimento can 987, # 1, dispensare valeat, ut, non obstante praescripto can. 542 # 2, in Novitiatum et, suo tempore, ad Primam Clericalem Tonsuram et, ad S. Ordines Minores admitti possit, servatis ceteris de iure servandis, et praesertim servato can 976 quoad studia rite peragenda.

Antequam ad SS. Ordines Maiores promoveatur, Orator supplices preces iterum porrigat per suum Superiorem Generalem, qui referat:

- 1) quaenam oratoris morales et intellectuales qualitates;
- 2) quaenam de studio, disciplina et pietate argumenta habeantur ex quibus erui possit candidatum talibus esse praeditum dotibus quae defectus iuridicos eius condicionis legalis compensare videantur;
- 3) utrum admiratio exorbitura praevideatur si orator ad Sacerdotium promoveatur.

Contrariis quibuscumque non obstantibus.

s?/ Marius Waunaus (spelling ?)
 Subst. Not.

Added: Infrascriptus Rector Magnus Pont. Instituti Academici Sancti Anselmi de Urbe, vigore facultatum a Sancte Sede Rmo Abbati Primati O. S. B. tributarum ab eoque sibi commissarum, concedit dispensationem super impedimento can. 987, n. 1, ut orator in novitiatum et ad clericalem tonsuram et ordines minores admitti valeat, contrariis quibuslibet non obstantibus et servatis ceteris de iure servandis. Ex aedibus S. Anselmi, Romae, d. 17 Martii 1948

Udabricus Beste, O.S.B.
 Rector Magnus

Original of this returned to St. Anselm's Abbey, Manchester, N.H.


Diocese of Manchester

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APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION TO THE SEMINARY


I.

- 1 Name? { Give all names in full, not initials } Donald Matthew Osgood
- 2 Residence? { Street and Number } 30 Broad St., Rochester
Town or City
- 3 In what Parish? St. Mary's
- 4 Birthplace: Where? Rochester, N.H. When? { Full date of Birth } July 18, 1927
- 5 If not born in Diocese of Manchester, when did you locate permanently in this Diocese?

 Enclose certificates of Baptism, Confirmation, and parents' marriage.

II.

- 1 In what schools did you receive Primary and Grammar education? Allen Street School in Rochester.
During what calendar years? 1933 to 1941 inclusive.
- 2 What High Schools or Preparatory Schools did you attend? Spaulding High School
During what complete school years? 1941 to 1945 inclusive.
- 3 What College did you attend? St. Anselm's College, Manchester, N.H.
(attended summer session in 1947)
During what complete school years? 1947 to 1951 inclusive.
In what college grades? Freshman, Sophomore, Junior, Senior
- 4 During how many complete school years did you study Latin? 4 yrs. Greek? None Philosophy? 2 yrs.
- 5 What College Degrees did you obtain? A.B. in Philosophy


 Enclose High School or College reports for each year.

- 6 If your studies were notably interrupted, state when, for how long, why, and at what occupation.

Studies were notably interrupted for period of one school year (1948-1949) during which time I was making novitiate.

III.

- 1 For what year of College, Philosophy, or Theology do you apply? Second year Theology
- 2 What Seminary would you prefer to enter? St. Mary's, Baltimore, Maryland.
- 3 Can you provide for your tuition expenses? Yes

 Enclose the following:

- Recommendations from your Pastor and School or College Superiors.
- Statement from applicant concerning any indebtedness for education.
- Statement as to previous affiliation with other diocese or religious society.
- Report of complete physical examination by reputable physician.
- Statement from parents as to insanity or epilepsy in family.

Letter of Jan. 1, 1949 from the Novice Master of St. Vincent Archabbey, Latrobe, Pa.
to the Abbot and Chapter of St. Anselm's Abbey:

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.....Fr. Matthew Osgood possesses a pleasant personality which is an asset and may become a liability. That is to say, one occasionally suspects, that given the opportunity, the social side of life may receive more than due attention from him. But I think that he will be all right. In accordance with your wishes he has been studying the organ, with coaching from Father Ildephense. But the time allotted for practice has been limited since he has weaknesses in Latin --- and in reading English --- that require all the attention and effort he can give them. He has had some trouble with a minor but inconvenient ailment. For a few days he used a cushion--- with the discreet permission of the master--- until the agony abated

Letter of May 30, 1949:

..... Fr. Matthew is somewhat uneducated, as his former teachers no doubt observed. Punctuality is not one of his virtues and he has, perhaps, a tendency to think himself maltreated. But he is gifted with a pleasant disposition, is docile and eager to be of service and helpful. The soundness of his character and the genuineness of his desire to go forward in the life he has chosen seem well established. The request that he be given instruction in music could not be honored too extensively. He found less than enough time for the ordinary studies of the Novitiate. However, he was permitted to practice on the organ in the Archabbey Church three times a week and Father Ildephense, until he became ill last winter, gave him some coaching. I did not think it advisable to permit more than this. For the rest I am glad to recommend Fr. Matthew, who gives every promise of making an amiable member of your community

COPY

ST. ANSELM'S COLLEGE
 MANCHESTER, NEW HAMPSHIRE

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DONALD MATTHEW OSGOOD

of the Record of

Address

ended

October 1951 to June 1952

DEPARTMENT	COURSE No.	DESCRIPTIVE TITLE	GRADE		SEM. HRS CREDIT
			1st Sem.	2d Sem.	
		<u>SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY</u>			
		Dogmatic Theology	72	70	10
		Moral Theology	82	81	8
		Liturgy	72	72	4
		Sacred Scripture	88	92	4
		Canon Law	82	86	4
		Sacred Eloquence			2

GRADING A—Excellent; B—Good; C—Satisfactory; D—Poor; E—Failure; I—Incomplete.

128 Semester hours required for graduation. Lecture periods—50 minutes. Laboratory periods—100 minutes.

Date July 21, 1952

Stephen F. Parent
 Registrar.

ST. ANSELM'S COLLEGE
MANCHESTER, NEW HAMPSHIRE

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Script of the Record of Donald Matthew Osgood

Address

Entered January 18, 1947 Graduated } Received A.B., June, 1951
 Withdrew }

ENTRANCE CREDITS FROM: Spaulding High School, Rochester, N.H.

English	Spanish	Algebra	Trigonometry	Sociology
Latin	German	Pl. Geometry	History	Others
French	Science	Sol. Geometry	Economics	

DEPARTMENT	COURSE No.	DESCRIPTIVE TITLE	GRADE		SEM. HRS. CREDIT	YEAR
			1st Sem.	2d Sem.		
Biology	2	General Biology		A	5	
Education	22	Tests & Measurements		A	3	
	23,24	Methods, Prin. of Sec. Ed.	B	B	6	
English	2,3	Composition	B	A	6	
	13-14	English Literature	A	A	6	
	31,32	Romantic Movement Victorian Age	B	B	6	
French	1-2	Elementary	C	C	6	
	11-12	Intermediate	D	C	6	
Latin	4	Elementary		B	3	
	14	Horace		B	2	
	23,24	Latin Prose Composition	D	D	4	
	27-28	Ecclesiastical Latin	D	C	6	
Mathematics	4	Freshman Mathematics		C	3	
Music						

\$100.00 payable to:

St. Joseph's Abbey

paid

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Re: Dom Gajard's Master Ghant course

Rt. Rev. Edmund Futterer, O.C.S.O.
St. Joseph's Abbey
Spenser, Massachusetts

*From Accounting Fund
for Fr. D. Osgood's Tuition*

June 28, 1952.

Rt. Rev. Bertrand Dolan, O.S.B. Abbot
St. Anselm's Abbey
Manchester, N. H.

Dear Father Abbot:

Frater Matthew Osgood, C.S.B. has applied for acceptance as a student for this diocese. Before taking up his case, His Excellency would appreciate a confidential word from you in his regard.

With thanks and kind regards, I am

Sincerely yours

Michael J. Hurley
Chancellor

MJH./h.

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BISHOP'S HOUSE
ONE FIFTY ONE WALNUT STREET
MANCHESTER, NEW HAMPSHIRE

July 2, 1952

Most Reverend Matthew F. Brady
657 River Road,
Manchester, N.H.

Most Reverend and dear Sir:

I wish to inform Your Excellency that I have left St. Anselm's Abbey and am staying with my parents. I have also reverted back to the use of my baptismal name.

Therefore, it would expedite matters if you would kindly send your reply to my letter of June 23rd. to the following address:

Mr. Donald M. Osgood
Bristol, N.H.
c/o Mac's Cottages

I have the honor to remain
your obedient servant,

Matthew Osgood O.S.B.
(Fr.) Matthew Osgood O.S.B.

Saint Anselm's Abbey
MANCHESTER, NEW HAMPSHIRE

July 4, 1952

Most Rev. Matthew F. Brady, D.D.
Bishop of Manchester
145 Lowell St.
Manchester, N.H.

Your Excellency:

Mr. Donald Osgood has been with us five years since his discharge from the Navy in 1947. After two years in the College he made his novitiate at St. Vincent Archabbey in Penna and was admitted to simple triennial vows. He returned to St. Anselm's and has continued at the Abbey until the expiration of his vows on July 2, 1952. I shall enclose the reports given to us by the Master of Novices.

After many changes of mind in regard to application for solemn vows he finally reached the decision not to apply for the Abbey but to try to find a bishop who would accept him for work in a diocese. Had he made application to me for vows I would have recommended that he spend another year of probation here, for although I did not feel as though he should have been refused outright, nevertheless, during his stay with us he had continued to manifest both the good and bad qualities that were observed in the novitiate.

He is not intellectually gifted and unquestionably did not like to study. He spent much time in training his musical ability and these efforts have shown much fruit. During the past year his progress in Theology was not too good and he found it necessary to retake some of his examinations. He was in a position to participate in the social side of our life and this he did to the detriment of his studies.

Due to previous training in the Navy, he became our infirmarian and here, I must confess, his zeal ran away with his judgment. He has a prodigious capacity for work and labored well and industriously at all sorts of jobs. He is a real 'Mr. Fixit'. I do not say this unkindly, for he is kindness itself.

If, after another year of probation he had met the scholastic requirements and had turned his attention more to his monastic duties, I feel sure that his application, if made, would have received my approval. I practically told him this and pointed out that he could make a real contribution to our Abbey through his musical ability. Briefly, I would say that he is industrious, energetic and not too pious.

Assuring Your Excellency of all further cooperation, I remain,

Respectfully in Christ,

Bertrand C. Dolan
Bertrand C. Dolan, *ABET*

Certificate of Confirmation



Church of

St. Mary
Rochester N.H.

∴ This is to Certify ∴

That Donald Matthew Asgood
(BAPTISMAL NAME) (CONFIRMATION NAME) (SURNAME)

Son } of Robert Asgood
Daughter } (FATHER)

and Evelyn Canavan
(MOTHER)

Baptized Aug 12 1927

was Confirmed May 16, 1939

in the Church of St. Mary

in the Diocese of Manchester

by the Most Rev. John B. Peterson, D.D.

the Sponsors being James Callaghan

Dated July 9, 1952

Issued by Timothy J. Thelmer
Pastor.

Saint Mary's Rectory
38 Charles Street
Rochester, N. H.

July 9, 1952

The Most Rev. Matthew A. Brady D.D.
145 Lowell St.
Manchester, N.H.

Your Excellency:

The Reverend Donald Matthew Osgood has been known to me for fourteen years and all during that time has conducted himself creditably and enjoyed a good reputation.

He is a talented young man of very good character without any bad habits.

I with confidence recommend him as a candidate for the holy priesthood.

Sincerely yours in Christ,
Timothy J. Whelan

Marriage Certificate

The Records of this Church, under date of June 16 1919
certify to the canonical and legal marriage of Robert E. Cogood
aged — years, son of David and Clara Griffin, and
Evelyn Cannavan aged — years, daughter of Matthew and
Annie M. Grant

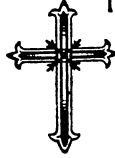
Said record is signed by Rev. John J. McNamara
with witnesses Raymond K. Anger and Ruth L. Lard

Rev. Timothy J. Whelan

Date July 10, 1952

SEAL OF
CHURCH

Certificate of Baptism



Church of

St. Mary
Rochester N.Y.

— This is to Certify —

That Donald Matthew Osgood

Child of Robert Emery Osgood

and Evelyn Canavan

born in Rochester N.Y.
(CITY) (STATE)

on the 18th day of July 1927

was **Baptized**

on the 12th day of August 1927

According to the Rite of the Roman Catholic Church

by the Rev. J. J. Mc Namara

the Sponsors being Harold M. Canavan

Catherine Madden

as appears from the Baptismal Register of this Church.

Dated July 9, 1952

Timothy J. Whelan

Pastor

Notations

FIRST COMMUNION { Date _____
Church _____
Place _____

CONFIRMATION { Date _____
Church _____
Place _____

MARRIAGE(S) { Date *No record.* _____
Church _____
Place _____

SUBDIACONATE { Date _____
Church _____
Place _____

RELIGIOUS PROFESSION { Date _____
Order _____
Place _____

July 10, 1952

As far as it is possible to ascertain, there are no evidences of insanity or epilepsy in the family.

Evelyn Casanova Orgood
Robert E. Orgood

July 10, 1952

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Since the G.I. Bill covered the expense of my college education, in full, I am not indebted to St. Anselm's College for same.

I, the undersigned, have had no previous affiliations with another diocese, but have been a member of the Benedictine Community at St. Anselm's Abbey.

Donald M. Osgood

ALBERT E. BARCOMB, M.D., F.A.C.S., M.I.C.S.
16 SOUTH MAIN STREET
ROCHESTER, N. H.

July 15, 1952

To whom it may concern:

I have examined Donald Osgood, on July 10, 1952. He is in very good physical condition. His heart and lungs are normal, and there is no sign of any infection. His blood pressure is normal, urine examination is normal, and the blood serology is normal. I am convinced that he is able to pass a very rigid examination.

Yours truly,



Albert E. Barcomb, M. D.

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July 21, 1952.

Mr. Donald M. Osgood
30 Broad St.
Rochester, N. H.

Dear Mr. Osgood:

The Most Reverend Bishop directs me to inform you that you have been accepted as a Divinity student for the Diocese of Manchester and have been assigned to St. Paul Seminary, University of Ottawa, Ontario.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours

Michael J. Hurley
Chancellor.

MJH./h.

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BISHOP'S HOUSE
ONE FIFTY ONE WALNUT STREET
MANCHESTER, NEW HAMPSHIRE

SAINT PAUL'S SEMINARY

OF THE UNIVERSITY OF OTTAWA

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SEMESTRIAL REPORT ON THE CONDUCT AND DISPOSITIONS OF THE STUDENTS.

Mr. Donald M. Osgood, of the diocese of Manchester,
born on the July 18 1927 in Rochester, N.H., diocese of Manchester,
a student in the Faculty of Theology, 2nd year, " university " course.
Report of February 19 53.

HEALTH..... Good in general.

TEMPERAMENT..... Sanguine-choleric. Well controlled.

BEHAVIOUR..... Very good. Polite and deferent with the
Fathers. Well-bred and well-mannered. With
the confrères he is considerate and obliging.
He is somewhat swift and too hurried in his
walk and bearing.

CHARACTER..... A very nice disposition. He is cheerful and
gay in recreation. His conversation is inter-
esting. He is amiable and affable. He is
open-hearted, sociable and always ready to
help. He has given generously of his time
for the music in the chapel.

He has a genial smile and he is
very well disposed. He is delicate and grate-
ful in his sentiments.

INTELLECTUAL DISPOSITIONS..... An average student. He can follow the
course but must be attentive and steady. In
fact he is very assiduous with his studies.

He has good sound judgment. Still young
and immature. It will be hard for him to
refuse a service when he can help someone.

He has practical sense and sufficient
ability.

He writes a good sermon and delivers
it with sufficient assurance and strength.

STUDIES..... His marks are satisfactory.
They show application and method.

MORAL DISPOSITIONS AND VIRTUES Sincere and solid piety. He has had a good spiritual training. He is steady in his vocation. He is a perfect keeper of the rule of the Seminary and a good example at all times for others.

He is docile, submissive, grateful and obedient. He is very frank and honest.

He is a very good organist.

GENERAL APPRECIATION HE is a very good seminarian and we think that he will make a good candidate.

VOTE OF THE DIRECTORS

Date: February 10 1953

University Seminary,

249 Main Street, Ottawa, Canada.

J.C. Laframboise
 J.C. Laframboise, O.M.I.
 Rector Seminarii.

PETITIO AD ORDINES

(Instructio S. Cong. de Disciplina Sacramentorum, II, N. 1, 27 Dec. 1930)

Reverendo Patri Joanni Carolo Laframboise, O. M. I.,

Rectori Seminarii Sancti Pauli Universitatis
Ottaviensis, Ottavae, nomine Exemi. ac Revmi.
Matthaei Francisci Brady, Episcopi
Manchesteriensis.

Ego, infrascriptus Donaldus Matthaeus
Osgood optans me totum Deo cultui
et Ecclesiae servitio mancipare, libera
omnino atque spontanea voluntate exposco
ut in proximis ordinationibus ad Consuumam,
et quattuor minores ordines promoverar.

Donald Matthew Osgood
apud Seminarium Sancti Pauli Universitatis Ottaviensis
die 24. mensis martii, anni 1953.

Confidential

QUESTIONNAIRE CONCERNING CANDIDATES FOR HOLY ORDERS

(Appendix II. & III. Instruction "Quam ingens" Sac. Congr. Sacs. 27. Dec. 1930.)

Mr. Donald M. Osgood,Student at St. Anselm's College College fromto and Seminary 1947-1952.

1. What is this candidate's ability for pursuing Theological studies? Would his proficiency with you indicate success? *I remember him to have been just a fair student.*
2. Has he shown the piety demanded in an aspirant to the ecclesiastical state?
3. Have you reason to suspect familiarity on his part with persons of ill repute, or with persons of the other sex, from which scandal or astonishment might arise among the faithful; or that he has frequented places of suspicious character?
4. Has his conduct with boys, or with girls, or other persons of the opposite sex, given indications of a lack of priestly vocation?
5. Does he show himself inclined to wordly comfort, to a free use of alcoholic beverages, or to an indulgence in wordly amusements?
6. Does he show a charitable spirit, and is he docile and obedient to superiors?
7. Are you aware of any trace of insanity or moral depravity in his parents or family?
8. Does anything suggest a doubt regarding his vocation to Holy Orders, and in what way?

(Signed) V. Rev. Father PriorDate March 27 '53

*P.S. I cannot answer any of the other 8 questions -
My dealings with Donald M. Osgood were
restricted to the class-room.*

Saint Paul's Seminary

OF THE UNIVERSITY OF OTTAWA,
249, Main Street, Ottawa.

Very Reverend Prior,
St Anselm's Abbey,
Manchester, N.H.

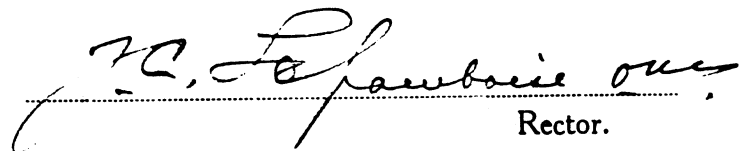
Very Reverend and dear Father:

Mr. Donals M. Osgood, an alumnus
of your college, has entered this Seminary to prepare for the reception of Holy Orders. The
Sacred Congregation of the Sacrements has enacted that an investigation of Clerical candidates
be made, through responsible persons, before promotion to Ordination. You are respectfully
requested to answer, as far as you can, the enclosed questions selected from the questionnaire
issued by the Sacred Congregation, and to return it to us as soon as possible.

With sincere respect,

I am,

Yours faithfully,


Rector.

March 25, 1953.

INVESTIGATION TO BE MADE BY PASTORS BEFORE SEMINARIANS ARE PROMOTED
TO ORDINATION

(Appendix II. Instruction "Quam ingens", Sac. Congr. Sacr. 27. Dec. 1930.)

Cleric.....**Donald M. Osgood**.....

Diocese.....**Manchester**.....

Candidate.....**Tonsure**.....

1. Does this cleric sedulously and devoutly perform works of piety, such as meditation, hearing Mass, visitation of the Blessed Sacrament, recitation of the rosary of the Blessed Virgin ?

yes

2. Does he frequently, and with devotion, confess and receive Holy Communion ?

yes

3. Is he willing to render whatever service he can in the sacred functions of the Church ?

yes

4. Have you ever employed him in the teaching of catechism, and if so, with what success ?

no

5. Does he display great care in the sacred functions of the Church, zeal for the salvation of souls and the sacred ministry ?

yes

6. Is he in a position to apply himself to study during vacation ?

yes

7. Do you know whether he is addicted to the reading of immoral or irreligious books or magazines ?

I do not know but I think that he is not so addicted.

8. Does he dress during vacation in a manner becoming a cleric ?

yes

9. Have you any reason to suspect familiarity on his part with persons of ill repute, or with persons of the other sex, from which scandal and astonishment might arise among the faithful; or that he has frequented places of suspicious character ?

no

10. Is his conversation upright and discreet ?

yes

11. Has he, to your knowledge, given occasion of unfavourable criticism of the morals, doctrines and precepts of the Church ?

no

12. Has his conduct with boys, or with girls, or with other persons of the opposite sex, given indication of a lack of priestly vocation?

No

13. Does he show himself inclined to wordly comfort, to a free use of alcoholic beverages, or to an indulgence in wordly amusements?

No

14. Does he show a charitable spirit, and is he docile and obedient to superiors?

Yes

15. What is the public opinion about his vocation?

Good

16. Are there any signs in his parents of infirmity, especially of mental infirmity, or moral depravity which might permit suspicion of atavism?

No

17. Do you suspect that he is under any parental or family constraint in aspiring to the priesthood?

No

18. In the event of prolonged absence from your parish during vacation, do you know where he has been?

Yes

N.B. If the parish priest has already answered the above questionnaire, he need not answer it again, unless the information given is no longer in accordance with the truth. (Instr. III, N. 1.)

(L. † S.)

(Signed)

Timothy J. O'Helan

Parish Priest of

St. Mary's, Rochester N.Y.

Date

March 27, 1953

Saint Paul's Seminary

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OF THE UNIVERSITY OF OTTAWA,
249, Main Street, Ottawa.

B
Very Rev. T. Whelan, Pastor,
St Mary's Rectory,
Charles st.,
Rochester, N.H.,

Dear Reverend Father:

The Sacred Congregation of the Sacraments (Dec. 27, 1930) has enacted that Parish Priests shall answer a questionnaire concerning the habits of life of their parishioners who are candidates for Holy Orders.

You are respectfully requested to answer, as far as you can, the attached questionnaire concerning Mr.....Donald M. Osgood....., a student in our Seminary, who asks to receive.....T^ransure and Holy Orders....., and to return it to us as soon as possible. Any other remarks you may deem necessary for the good of this Seminarian and the honour of the priesthood will be appreciated for our direction and guidance.

With sincere respect,

I am, Yours truly in Xo and M.I.,


Rector.

March 25, 1953.

February 24, 1953.

Very Reverend J. C. Laframboise, O.M.J. Rector
University Seminary
Ottawa, Ontario.

Dear Father Laframboise:

I enclose Dimissorial Letters for the Manchester students.

With reference to Donald Osgood, since he left the Benedictine Fathers for the purpose of entering the diocesan clergy, he does not need an Indult. This ruling has been given by our Apostolic Delegate.

With kind regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

Michael J. Hurley
Chancellor.

MJH./h.

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J. C. Lombardoni
Rector

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OF THE UNIVERSITY OF OTTAWA

SEMESTRIAL REPORT ON THE CONDUCT AND DISPOSITIONS
OF THE STUDENTS.

Mr. Donald M. Osgood, cleric, of the diocese of Manchester, N.H.,
born on the July 18, 1927 in Rochester, N.H. diocese of Manchester,
a student in the Faculty of Theology, 2nd year, "major" course.
Report of June 19 53.

HEALTH..... Good in general.

TEMPERAMENT..... Sanguine-choleric. Well controlled.

BEHAVIOUR..... Very good. Polite, deferent with the Fathers
Well-bred, well-mannered.
A very faithful observer of the rules of
Seminary.

CHARACTER..... Very nice disposition. Quite mature and
formed. Will still be young and spontaneous.
In recreation he is cheerful, amiable,
affable, sociable, always ready to help
and render service. He has given generously
of his time for the music in the chapel.
He is delicate and grateful in his
sentiments.
He has a genial smile and seems to be
always in good humour.

INTELLECTUAL DISPOSITIONS..... An average student. He has been able to
adapt himself quickly enough to the studies
in a new milieu.
He is very assiduous.
Good and sound practical judgment. Matures
normally.
He writes a good sermon and delivers it
it with sufficient assurance and strength.

STUDIES..... His marks are quite satisfactory.

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MORAL DISPOSITIONS AND VIRTUES

Solid and sincere piety.

He is very steady in his vocation. His motives to become a priest are noble and sincere.

Always docile, obedient and submissive.

Very frank and open-hearted with the rector and the Fathers.

He is an excellent organist.

GENERAL APPRECIATION

A very good seminarian and a good candidate.

VOTE OF THE DIRECTORS

He will advance to Minor Orders in the Fall.

Date: June 19 19 53

University Seminary,

249 Main Street, Ottawa, Canada.



Rector Seminarii.

J.C. Laframboise, O.M.I.

PETITIO AD ORDINES

(Instructio S. Cong. de Disciplina Sacramentorum, II, N. 1, 27 Dec. 1930)

Reverendo Patri Joanni Carolo Laframbaise, O.M.I.,
Rectori Seminarii Sancti Pauli Universitatis
Ottaviensis, Ottavae,

Nomine Exemi. ac Remi. Matthaei F. Brady
Episcopi Manchesterensis

Ego, infrascriptus, Donaldus Matthaeus Osgood,
optans me totum Dei cultui et Ecclesiae servitio
mancipare, libua omnino atque spontanea
voluntate exposco ut in proximis ordinationibus
ad subdeaconatum et Deaconatum promovear.

Donaldus Matthaeus Osgood

Apud Seminarium Sancti Pauli Universitatis Ottaviensis,
die 22, Mensis Januarii, anni 1954

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SEMESTRIAL REPORT ON THE CONDUCT AND DISPOSITIONS OF THE STUDENTS.

Mr. Donald M. Osgood, acolyte....., of the diocese of Manchester, NH.
born on the July 18, 1927 in Rochester, N.H., diocese of Manchester,
a student in the Faculty of Theology , 3d year, " major " course.
Report of February 19 54.

HEALTH..... Very good.

TEMPERAMENT..... Sanguine-choleric; well controlled.

BEHAVIOUR..... Good in general. Very polite, deferent and yet at ease with the Fathers. Wellbred and well-mannered .

CHARACTER..... A very faithful observer of the rule of the Seminary.

Excellent disposition. He does his very best. Quite mature and formed but remains young and spontaneous. In recreation he is cheerful and amiable, sociable and always ready to help or render service. He has a genial smile. He is generous. Sufficiently voluntary and energetic.

He is well liked by all.

INTELLECTUAL DISPOSITIONS..... Ordinary talent. He is deeply interested in his studies. Speculative studies are difficult for him and notwithstanding his good will .

His practical judgment is good and sound. He will have practical ability and initiative. He can write a good sermon, clear, practical. The delivery is good.

STUDIES..... He prepares himself for the ministry and studies the problems related to it.

His marks are quite satisfactory.

MORAL DISPOSITIONS AND VIRTUES Solid and sincere piety.
 He is very sincere with his vocation.
 He is always docile, submissive and obedient.
 As an organist for the community he has displayed nice qualities of generosity, submission and humility. He is very frank, open-hearted and grateful in his relations with the Directors.

GENERAL APPRECIATION He is a very good seminarian and a good candidate. We think that he will make a zealous, pious, obedient priest, even if he is not brilliant.

VOTE OF THE DIRECTORS
Unanimous in favor of his promotion to the Subdiaconate and Diaconate.

Date: Feb. 4, 1954

University Seminary,

249 Main Street, Ottawa, Canada.

J.C. Laframboise, O.M.I.

Rector Seminarii.

J.C. Laframboise, O.M.I.

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D.D. Osgood, 3o anno theologiae, cursus major,
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Rector

VACATION REPORT TO SEMINARY

Mr. Donald Osgood
Student in Theology
Diocese of Manchester,
Address 30 Broad st. Rochester, N.H.,
Summer holidays 1953.

1. Has this seminarian given evidence of sound piety, during the vacation?
2. Did he receive Penance and the Holy Eucharist frequently?
3. Did he attend Holy Mass daily?
4. Was he faithful in attending the different functions at the Church?
5. If requested, did he teach catechism?
6. Did he wear the proper dress for a seminarian?
7. Was his conduct exemplary and edifying? and with persons of the other sex?
8. Did he use intoxicating beverages?
9. Did he frequent the theater?
10. Was he employed? and at what?

Remarks . . . *I understand that Donald Osgood was away from Rochester this past summer. I saw him only at the beginning of summer. He is a good young man and always acts discreet.*

(Signed) *Domatius J. Whelan* (Pastor)

Parish *St Mary*

Place *Rochester 7806*

Date *Sept 21, 1953*

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March 12, 1954.

His Excellency the Most Reverend Matthew F. Brady, D.D.,
Bishop of Manchester,
Bishop's House,
647 River Road,
Manchester, N.H.,

Your Excellency :

I just realized this morning that in my letter of Feb. 16 to Your Excellency I have forgotten to call Your attention to the fact that Mr. Donald Osgood who is a candidate for Major Orders is the son a non-catholic father. Usually the Holy See requires a new indult when it comes to the conferring of Major Orders, in such cases.

In looking over the correspondance of last year with the Chancery Office I do not see that I have called the attention of Your Excellency on the necessity of an indult in favor of Mr. Osgood before his promotion to T_onsure and Minor Orders. I wish to apologize for this negligence on my part.

I hope that this late request from the Seminary will not cause too much inconvenience to Your Excellency.

Praying Your Excellency to accept the expression of my highest respect,

I remain,

Yours truly in Xo et M.I.,

J.C. Laframboise
J.C. Laframboise, O.M.I.,
Rector of the Seminary.

March 18, 1954

Rev. T. J. Whelan
St. Mary Parish
Rochester, New Hampshire

Dear Father Whelan:

We have been informed by the rector of St. Paul Seminary of Ottawa that Mr. Donald Osgood, a member of your parish now studying for the diocesan priesthood, ~~is the son of a non-Catholic father.~~ Since we did not know of this before, we had not requested the customary indult from Rome dispensing him from the impediment imposed by Canon 987 #1.

This young man is now a candidate for Major Orders and it is necessary that we obtain the dispensation as soon as possible. In view of this, would you kindly send us the following:

- 1) a notation as to the type of dispensation granted for the marriage of his parents, Robert E. Osgood and Evelyn Cannavan, in your parish on June 16, 1919.
- 2) a statement as to his religious instruction in the parish; if you are acquainted with it. Apparently, he attends public grammar and high school.
- 3) a statement as to the disposition of the non-Catholic parent regarding the advancement of the son to major orders.
- 4) any other pertinent information or comments which you may have to offer.

All of the above items may be incorporated in one letter if you find it more convenient to take care of them in this way.

With most cordial good wishes and the hope of hearing from you at your earliest convenience, I am

Sincerely in Christ,

Thomas S. Hansberry
Chancellor

P. S. The Holy Office will also wish to know whether the Catholic parent is a convert.

St. Mary's Parish 4121
Fochester W. A.

March 22, 1954

The Rev. Thomas S. Hansberry, Chancellor.
145 Lowell St.
Manchester W. A.

Dear Father Hansberry:-

There is a record of marriage between Robert E. Osgood unbaptized and Evelyn Canavan Catholic, in the marriage registers here, dated June 16, 1919 with the notation; *Dispensatio Disparitatis Cultus*.

Donald Osgood, the candidate for Holy Orders, attended the public grammar and high schools and faithfully attended the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine classes that were held in this parish.

I consulted Mr. Robert Osgood, Donald's father concerning his disposition regarding his son's advancement to major orders, and he said that he thought it was wonderful and that he was all for it and would do anything to help him along
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Other pertinent information is that in the space for the date and place of baptism for the Catholic party in the marriage register is the notation "about 1911 St. Mary's Rochester N.H." according to that Donald's mother was baptized here in the year 1911. I looked through the book but could find no record of her baptism, so I called her on the telephone and told her. She said that she was baptized here, that her father was a Catholic and brought her to Church with him and that she was baptized when she was about eleven years of age. She asked if there was a record of her brother Harold's baptism and I said yes. Mrs. Osgood's mother was not a Catholic until she was baptized here on Feb. 23, 1947. Mrs. Osgood's godmother is now living in California; I asked her to have her godmother make the statement that she was baptized and have it signed by a public notary.

Hoping to be of help, I remain,

Sincerely yours,

Timothy J. Whelan