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To

The Honorable Georgie Brozier - MLC - Chairperson, FCDC.

We wish to inform you we will be happy to go Public and if need be speak on behalf of our son [REDACTED] who suicided, and any other matter regarding our submissions -

Yours

[REDACTED]

20/Sept/2012.

# The Inquiry into the Handling of Child Abuse by Religious and Other Organisations

SUBMISSION FROM: [REDACTED]

## INTRODUCTION

We are the parents of [REDACTED] children, all of whom were either raped and/or sexually assaulted by **Brother Benignus**, whose name was **Grant Ross**. These crimes occurred in 1976 and 1977.

Brother [REDACTED] also sexually assaulted at least one of our children.

Brother [REDACTED] physically assaulted at least one of our children.  
*Brother Fitzgerald physically assaulted [REDACTED] many times.*  
[REDACTED]

## HISTORY OF THE CRIMES

**Brother Benignus (Grant Ross)** first came to our family home in December 1975. We had [REDACTED] children aged between approximately 4 and 10 years.

Grant Ross visited almost every week right through 1976 and 1977.

It was in dearly January 1978 (about the 3<sup>rd</sup>) when our [REDACTED] children informed us that "Brother Ross is rude to us. He put his hand in my pants". They were all standing together in the doorway.

[REDACTED], was encouraged by his older siblings to tell me. I asked them why they didn't tell me sooner and they said they were too scared because they might get into trouble for what he did to them and because we might not believe them.

When their dad arrived home from nightshift around 8am, I asked them to tell him what they told me. They were very upset and embarrassed by then but eventually did so,

We were all absolutely devastated and shocked initially, then angry to think that we trusted someone and he betrayed that trust and sexually abused all our children in our own home and right 'under our noses'.

We discussed calling the police but spoke to friends and family about what we should do first, as clergy abuse wasn't heard of back in those days and we knew our children wouldn't be believed.

So we decided to, on 13<sup>th</sup> January 1978, to write Brother Ross a letter, saying:

*"Our [REDACTED] children have told us something which is of great concern to us, and would like to invite you over (when [REDACTED] is home) to discuss the matter further. Please ring and make a time and day.*

*Hoping to see you soon.* [REDACTED]

On 13<sup>th</sup> January 1978 [REDACTED] (my husband) hand delivered the letter to [REDACTED] his way to work at [REDACTED].

Grant Ross ignored the letter and there was no phone call. So I rang about a week later (3 calls) according to whoever answered and was told on all occasions that Grant Ross was not there.

However, about a few months later (May 4<sup>th</sup> 1978) I saw Grant Ross at the [REDACTED] Village shopping centre and he sped off in his car when he recognized me. That was the last time I saw him.

Grant Ross died in June 1993.

[REDACTED]

Brother [REDACTED] – physically assaulted [REDACTED], either at St Alipius or the Christian Brothers College, in the 1970's.

**COMMENT**

The Bible is a great work of fiction and totally unbelievable – written by a MAN! Religion is real CON and a haven for PEDOPHILES to live and BREED.

The Pope doesn't say much. Maybe he's too busy spreading the Catholic Church's propaganda - Double Standards Policy – consensual same sex acts and taking advantage of innocent young children and ruining their lives and their families with their vile, sadistic and filthy acts of sexual gratification.

Those 'scum bags' should be charged with murder and have their genitals mutilated, and if that makes me seem like a horrible person, then so be it, I can live with that.

**SUICIDE OF OUR SON**

My son is DEAD and our family destroyed because of those MONGRELS, and I have to wake up every day knowing that gut-wrenching feeling of not seeing my son ever again.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

As a mother I can't enjoy life knowing my sons and daughters are branded forever by those BASTARDS.

**ACCOUNTABILITY FOR THE OFENDER AND THE CHURCH**

I'll never accept any APOLOGY from them or the Catholic church as it would mean absolutely nothing to me. They are only sorry for themselves because they were exposed by their victims and are only worried about what their punishment will be. COWARDS. They have no remorse. They loved inflicting pain and humiliation on their poor little innocent victims and enjoyed every minute of it.

When an animal attacks a human being they are hunted down and killed without a second chance. But these vermin have destroyed more lives that any animal has and nothing happens to them. If they are convicted and they go to prison, they are protected and nourished and have all the luxuries of the prison cell.

**Those who suicided have nothing but the cold, wet, dark grave where they lie.**

**The victims who survive have nothing but eternal grief and trauma for the rest of their lives.**

Great work Catholic Church. Holy men of the cloth and the sisters of Mercy who pledged chastity and celibacy vows, brainwashed generations of their followers into believing if they were obedient and humble and lived according to the laws of the Catholic church, attending Mass and contributing financially, they will eventually go to Heaven. But if not, then Hell will be their fate.

I wonder where the pedophiles and those who protected them will go? If they believed in what they preached, they would never do such evil and foul deeds.

**OUR SON'S FUNERAL**

We have contributed to the Catholic church all through the years and never received anything from them, even when our 19 year-old son took his own life.

We had to pay the priest to bury our son.

There was not even an offer from the church to help us out in any way.

Friends and family came to our assistance – we had no money.

A priest came to our home the day our son [redacted], died. He stayed for a short while, as the [redacted] Cup was on and he was running late and he had to place his 'bets.

A week or so after [redacted] funeral, another Priest visited us and said: "What can I do for you? Fill me in, I don't know why I'm here." That was in 1986. We have not had another visit or phone call since.

**MY STORY**

I've kept all this to myself for 36 years because of the trauma it would bring to my family, especially my children.

Back in 1978, clergy abuse was unheard of and we would not have taken seriously. Now there is to be a Parliamentary Inquiry. I can see some HOPE at last and JUSTICE for their victims - my children, whose innocence was taken from them at an early age.

I always thought I was a good mother and loved and protected my children totally. But the cunning, vile and sadistic scum-bags crept into my world and destroyed it for us all. They never gave a damn about what they left behind in their horrific trail of evil destruction and violence.

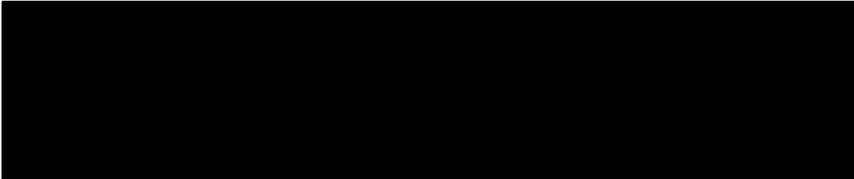
**CONCLUSION**

I've heard it said that one can die from a broken heart. I don't believe that, otherwise I would be dead.

**RECOMMENDATINOS**

1. This Inquiry should recommend a Royal Commission to further investigate the Catholic church.
2. Prosecutions are needed
3. The church should fully financially support victims and their families.
4. Other???

Signed:



Date:

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