



THE ORDER

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Treatment by Daniel Knauf

THE WORLD HAS BEEN LIVING ON BORROWED TIME for over a thousand years.

The secret Gospel of St. Peter, suppressed by Papal authority since the first century AD, predicted that Armageddon was to take place in the year 999. In response, Pope Leo VII established The Order of St. Michael, ordained shadow-warriors—deadly, ruthless and unimpaired by fear or moral ambiguity.

The Order's primary mission: To seek out and destroy the Anti-Christ and those that would serve to usher him into this world .

BACKGROUND:

Only the strongest in body and spirit were inducted into the brotherhood of St. Michael. Rigorously trained in all forms of martial-arts, weapons and strategy, The Order's members succeeded in their mission, locating the Son of Darkness and destroying him in the manner prescribed by Scripture.

The Order was then disbanded, only to be reinstated in the year 1029, when Satan was once again born incarnate. Vatican Scholars determined that, with each subsequent generation, Lucifer would continue to assume human form and attempt to fulfill his dark destiny.

Today, the Order is housed seven floors below St. Peter's Basilica. Even the most powerful government intelligence organizations are unaware of its existence. The mysterious Monsignor Aquinas, an aged Jesuit who answers only to The Pope, directs its operation.

At their disposal, The Order has unlimited financial resources, high-tech communications and intelligence networks, modern armament and a growing body of paranormal knowledge acquired after a thousand years of direct confrontation with Satan. Seven Investigation and Engagement teams (I.E.Units) consisting of three field operatives are backed up by over 100 highly compartmentalized support staff, following up any lead—no matter how thin or unlikely—to forestall Armageddon. For over a millennium, they've succeeded in their mission.

Until now.

STORY LINE:

New Years Eve, 2004: The Order's Core Intelligence Unit reports an unprecedented seven simultaneous hits in the system—seven possible cases of demonic incarnation. They must be thoroughly investigated. I.E. Units are dispatched to all seven far-flung locations.

Each team encounters a Demon. Each is engaged in savage combat.

All are destroyed.

Except one last field operative.

Father Damien Ignatius, the battle-scarred veteran of dozens of paranormal and demonic encounters, was dispatched with his I.E. Unit to the Boston Women's Hospital to investigate a case on a alleged Demonic "Infusion"—a Type 9 possession in which the host mortal is actually physically transformed into a demonic entity incarnate. A parish priest, Father Thomas Connelly was visiting the suspected host-mortal when the team arrived at the to perform their initial assessment.

The host human was infused by the demon, Moloch, killing two of the team-members and wounding Father Damien. Connelly, a former Navy Seal and decorated Gulf War veteran, managed to recover Damien's modified MP-5 and blast a hole in Moloch's black heart. In his death-throes, the demon rendered a near fatal blow to the priest.

Unconscious, near death, Connelly was flown to a state-of-the-art medical facility in The Order's headquarters below the Vatican. As he recovered, Father Damien introduced him to the Order's history, mission and their current crisis:

In one bold move, Lucifer has virtually destroyed their operation.

As the sole surviving operative, it is incumbent upon Damien to rebuild the field division. Connelly is his first recruit. His second is forced on him by Aquinas:

Sister Dawa, a cryptic young woman discovered as a feral child by an order of Asian Trappists. Raised in a Himalayan monastery, she was trained in Shuaijiao, an ancient Chinese martial art fabled to be the progenitor of all subsequent fighting styles. Damien resents the imposition. Never before has a woman served the Order as a field operative.

Until The Order's field operations are restored, it's up to Damien, Connelly and Dawa to locate and crush the Prince of Darkness before he fulfills the prophesies of Revelation. Though the consequences of this ongoing war leaks out around the edges in the form of crime, terrorism, civil wars, ethnic cleansing and armed conflicts, there is actually an sentient will behind the "random tragedies" that remains cloaked in secrecy.

The tone will be a blend of THE EXORCIST and THE MATRIX, taut with suspense, paranoia and mystery, punctuated by explosive special-effects and action sequences. The film's heart, however, will be in the growing trust, dependence and support of the protagonists on the team. Three mismatched warriors will grow to respect and care for one another as they struggle together to and defy Biblical prophesy.

At stake is nothing less than the annihilation of mankind.

SUPPLEMENTAL MEDIA COMPONENTS:

The Internet would be utilized to provide background information regarding The Order of Saint Michael as well as character biographies. Included would be scans of fictional newspaper articles, police and other official reports, surveillance photos and material provided through the Freedom of Information Act. Interspersed with the fictional material will be authentic documents and news accounts, further blurring the line between reality and fiction.

Links will be provided to a selection of existing fringe sites dedicated to offbeat news items, conspiracy theorists, urban legends, etc, as well as the conventional network commercial site offering merchandise and cast and crew info .

The site would be “password protected.” However, we would make the password openly available through internet bulletin boards and by email request. This will lend the site a sense of exclusivity—that fans are actually looking at forbidden material. Multiple password access could be utilized in the future through interactive puzzles encouraging fans to “hack” into the ever-deepening layers of intriguing Order-related documentation and information.

Attached are sample pages, the contents of a “declassified” FBI file, largely consisting of research materials regarding The Order compiled by “Walter James Mosely,” a serial arsonist targeted for decommission by Connelly’s team.

The “Mosely File”

The following file purportedly outlining certain activities and personnel related to “The Order of St. Michael” was confiscated during a search of the home of Walter James Mosely, a domestic terrorist responsible for between 11 and 34 arsons on Catholic Churches throughout the Eastern United States. It was subsequently obtained by the author through the Freedom of Information Act.

The information within is intriguing, though cryptic and incomplete. The running commentary by Mosely reflects his own disintegrating state of mental health, but does little to clarify the documentary material he collected.

Four facts remain:

- *Walter James Mosely allegedly committed suicide, a number of suspicious facts indicate it may have been staged (traces of the powerful sedative Rohypnol in his bloodstream, for instance);*
- *Rather than the “lone gunman” portrayed by the FBI, he was clearly an operative in a larger organization (see correspondence headed “THE ORDER” by Mosely to an unnamed confederate);*
- *Mosely was apparently distressed regarding his personal safety;*
- *The documents collected—particularly those relating to Damien Ignatius Lanihan—are compelling evidence of The Order’s existence.*

In his cover letter, FBI Field Operative, Agent Leder, dismisses Mosely’s research as paranoid fantasy. Perhaps he’s right in doing so. However, I believe it is the reader’s right to arrive at his or her own conclusions regarding whether “The Order of St. Michael” is, in fact, extant.

**FREEDOM OF INFORMATION
AND
PRIVACY ACTS**

SUBJECT: THE ORDER OF ST. MICHAEL

FILE NUMBER: 183-7396

PART 1 OF 1





U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

DATE: 02/27/99

TO: ██████████ - BSU

FROM: Thomas Leder - New Jersey Field Office

RE: CATABOMBER - Case Summary

BACKGROUND:

In 1989, AU in conjunction with the ATF and local authorities initiated an investigation into a serial arsonist targeting Catholic churches, rectories and other facilities. The signature of the UNSUB was evident in the use of a gasoline accelerant in conjunction with a banded match timed trigger.

To date, the number of arsons perpetrated was in excess of 230. In two instances, the UNSUB was observed and composite sketches were developed by ██████████. Behavioral Science Unit developed a profile and recommended reviewing media clips and photos of fires in progress under the presumption that the UNSUB would return as a "bystander." Photographic evidence resulted in a match at three scenes which closely matched composites of the UNSUB.

UNSUB IDENTIFIED:

Subsequent investigation identified the UNSUB as Walter James Mosely, an auto upholsterer residing in New Paltz, NY. Mosely's criminal record included burglary, auto-theft and felony assault. Interviews with ██████████ and ██████████ indicated that Mosely, while incarcerated, became a member of the White Aryan Resistance and a number of other extremist groups.

Agents initiated surveillance on Mr. Mosely's home in New Paltz, awaiting arrest and search warrants pending DOJ approval. Mr. Mosely was seen working on his car in an attached garage from approximately 2:30 PM to 4:15 PM on Saturday, 2/18/99.

On Monday, 2/16/99, after receiving an arrest warrant, ██████████ accompanied by ATF Special Weapons and Tactics teams demanded Mosely's surrender. After receiving no response, neighbors were evacuated in order for ██████████ to execute an armed raid.

SUSPECT FOUND DEAD:

Mr. Mosely was found in his bedroom, dead of a single, apparently self-inflicted gunshot wound to the head. The scene appeared to support a final MCD of suicide:

- The victim tested positive for gunshot residue;
- Prints on the weapon, a .38 Colt, matched those of the victim;
- No visitors were observed entering or leaving the residence prior to the raid.

However, several troubling details remain to be clarified:

- The aforementioned Colt revolver was untraceable;
- Though the residence was closely surveilled by almost a dozen officers, no gunfire was heard;
- No suicide note was found;
- Traces of Rohypnol were found in the victim's bloodstream;
- The residence appeared to have been methodically searched and cleared of personal papers and/or files.

The attached file was subsequently recovered from Mr. Mosely's garage. It had been hidden or placed inside a Makita drill-case. In it, Mr. Mosely purports the existence of a Vatican paramilitary intelligence unit known as "The Order." The allegations made are far-fetched and, to some degree, indicative of the suspect's deteriorating mental health and paranoia. The contents have been suppressed for obvious reasons.

Nevertheless, the file contained a number of clipments that may be of interest to the Behavioral Science.



THE ORDER OF SAINT MICHAEL
{AKA: TOSM, THE ORDER}

I received a warning via email from ██████████ of A-Cell Faction regarding an investigation of my activities by an underground faction of the Vatican known as "The Order of Saint Michael."

There is little known about this group or its operatives. Documentation is scarce. ██████████ forwarded helpful biographical info on operative "Father Ignatius." Attached documents represent the sum total of all information gathered on the group through InterPol, FBI, CIA, KGB and Mossad, including newspaper account and a photo of alleged members taken in the Mediterranean in 1987 (included in file).

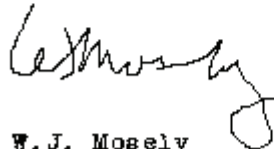
According to ██████████, they are very dangerous for the same reasons we are: Nobody believes they exist. Which is typical of the invisible world. For example, hundreds of our coordinated missions and liquidations have been written off as "street crime" or "random violence." Short of sending letters or leaving overt "M.O.'s," the law rarely makes the connections necessary to read the pattern, largely due to the effectiveness of our operatives within their ranks.

(Even if they could, they'd realize how futile their pitiful efforts really are. In short, they don't believe because they cannot afford to. This may explain the high suicide rate among law enforcement personnel.)

I procured some ██████████ through channels and, under its influence, utilized guided imagery and an extended A.P. to determine the accuracy of ██████████ threat assessment. I confirmed surveillance by three individuals, two males and a female.

The lead operative is known as "Father Ignatius" (a.k.a. Father Damien Ignatius Lanihan - see following documentation). Support is provided by a second priest tentatively identified as Father Thomas Connelly and a nun, "Sister Moon" (so far unidentified - see documentation).

They had been surveilling safe house Charlie for approximately 36 hours. I subsequently moved my operations temporarily to N.J., and so far I have successfully effected evasion protocols while gathering said information through ██████████ and other channels. Safe at the moment, though if I detect any further surveillance by aforementioned operatives, flight will no longer be a viable option and I fully intend to deal with Ignatius et al with extreme prejudice, regardless of orders through the A-Cell faction.


W. J. Mosely
11/13/98



LOCAL YOUTH WINS "GOLDEN GLOVES"

by Johnnie Lawson

The Texas Amateur Athletic Federation (TAAF) in Austin has named a local youth the winner of both the state and regional "Golden Glove" Middleweight title.

Damien Ignatius Lanihan, a Dominican Academy High School graduate, will be honored at a ceremony Friday, Oct. 1 at 3:30 pm in Room 103 in the West Austin Community Center at 1625 Ashmont Street.

Damien, who is also a volunteer in the Austin Parks and Recreation Department, is a boxer with the Lost Creek Bulldogs Boxing Club. He adds the award to a long list of achievements in both athletics and academics. Damien has won the TAAF Boxing Championship 10 times in various divisions since 1970. He was also a State Golden Gloves Light Middleweight Junior Cup Finalist.

CEDAR CREEK PILOT
9-15-76

Damien Lanihan in his hayday. According to Lawson (ret.) Lanihan was the next "Great White Hope." He later traded his boxing gloves for the robes of a Papist stooge.

THE AUSTIN-AMERICAN STATESMAN
6/28/82

According to the neighbor, Larry Garcia, Officer Kelly used to rough up the wife on a regular basis. Quote: "They was always screaming and banging walls." The Boston Women's Hospital Emergency room (hospital records support Garcia's allegations with 17 visits by Irene Kelly between '79 and DOD.

Fr. Lanihan used to hear confessions Tuesdays and Fridays. Witness statements indicate that Irene was a regular penitent, and that she and Lanihan were "friends."

Local Woman Dies in Fall

Last evening, a Hancock area woman died of an apparent fall down a flight of stairs outside her apartment. Irene Kelly was rushed unconscious to Brackenridge Hospital and later died of her injuries.

Catholic Priest Arrested in Cop Slaying

By TOM KNOWLAND
AUSTIN CHRONICLE STAFFWRITER

Boston police arrested Father Damien Lanihan, the pastor of St. Perpetua Catholic Church, for the murder of veteran B.P. D. officer Norton J. Kelly. According to reports, the suspect summoned police to the victim's Hancock apartment at 12:03 P.M. Officer Kelly was announced dead at the scene.

The cause of death is still pending a coroner's report, but sources say Kelly was severely



FR. DAMIEN LANIHAN

beaten. Father Lanihan is an amateur boxer and a former runner-up in the local Golden Gloves championship. According to neighbors, Officer Kelly was a parishioner at St. Perpetua.

Details are still unclear, but according to the victim's neighbor, Lawrence Garcia, Father Lanihan arrived at the Kelly

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7/3/82

Lanihan decided to give Officer Kelly a little "counseling." According to police files, the vic (Kelly) was "unrecognizable" as a human being.

Why would a priest kill a cop? Even a wife-beating cop? Obviously, Lanihan felt more than "pastoral" toward Irene. This would explain the severity of Lanihan's attack.

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residence at approximately 11:15 P.M. According to Garcia, the priest seemed "preoccupied."

"I was taking my dog outside like I always do when I saw (Lanihan)," says Garcia. "He was distracted, like he hadn't slept. I said 'hello Father,' and he didn't even seem to hear." Garcia stated that he assumed Lanihan was counseling the victim, a recent widower. "Mrs. Kelly died last week, so I figured the Father was paying a charity-visit."

Shaking his head, Garcia added, "Some charity-visit..."

The victim's wife, Irene

Kelly, suffered a fatal accident in her home the previous evening when she allegedly fell down a flight of stairs. Though neighbors say authorities often visited the Kelly's due to domestic disturbances, citations were never issued. Police were unwilling to comment on the circumstances of Mrs. Kelly's death, other than to say it was a "tragic accident."

"Officer Kelly was a highly decorated member of this force," said police spokesman, Lt. Leonard Mosley, in a formal statement. "He was held in high esteem by his brother officers and was an asset to his community."

AUSTIN CHRONICLE
11/15/83

Lanihan represented himself, pleading "no contest" to a charge of murder-one. Jury members said they had no choice. Lanihan refused to answer questions or take the stand in his own defense. Before reading the sentence, the judge asked Lanihan "if you could undo this terrible crime you have committed, would you do so?" Lanihan answered "No, your honor. I would not." It was the only statement he made in the course of the entire trial.

Priest Receives Death Sentence for Murder of Police Officer

By TOM KNOWLAND
AUSTIN CHRONICLE STAFF WRITER

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — After pleading no contest, a south Austin priest has been sentenced to death after being convicted of capital murder last week in the beating death of a police officer.

A Travis County jury sentenced Damien Ignatius Lanihan, 28, to death by lethal injection after deliberating for over seventy-four hours Friday. He is the first clergyman sent to death row in Texas history.

Lanihan, an assistant pastor at St. Perpetua Catholic Church, was convicted of beating an off-duty police officer, Norton J. Kelly, on Sept. 14 at the victim's apartment in Hancock. Police found Officer Kelly in a pool

scene by Lanihan. His death was later determined to be caused by a fatal beating.

Lanihan's motive is unclear, but may be connected to the death of the victim's wife, Irene Kelly, the previous evening due to a fatal fall outside her home. Authorities ruled the case an accident.

A former Golden Gloves champion, Lanihan confessed to beating the victim to death. He subsequently contacted authorities and remained at the scene until firefighters were called in to open the door and officers found Kelly. Travis County District Attorney

Ken Nash, who prosecuted the case, said Friday that the attack was brutal.

"Officer Kelly looked like he'd been hit by a truck," Nash said. "It was awful."

When asked whether a life sentence would have

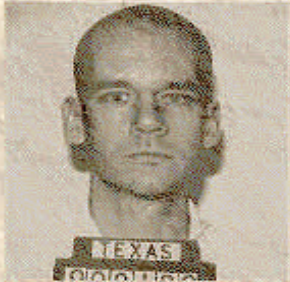
been a more equitable punishment, given the defendant's clean record and years of service to the community, Nash replied, "The man killed a cop. He confessed to it and has shown absolutely no remorse. I don't care if he's Pope Paul. In this state, we prosecute cop-killers to the full extent of the



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Catholic Priest Executed

HUNTSVILLE, Texas (AP) - A Catholic priest convicted seven months ago of killing a police officer was executed by injection yesterday in the nation's speediest death sentence since 1977, when Gary Gilmore went before a Utah firing squad just three months after he was convicted of killing two men.



Damien Ignatius Lanihan, 36, waived all appeals as he waited to die, cutting short a process that in Texas averages about eight years. He died at 6:19 p. m.; seven minutes after the lethal drugs were administered.

"There are people all over the world who face things worse than death on a daily basis, and in that sense I consider myself lucky," he said in a final, handwritten statement. "I cannot find the words to express the sadness I feel for bringing this hurt and pain on my parishioners and loved ones . . . God bless you all."

Despite being formally defrocked by the Arch-Diocese upon his conviction, Lanihan's continued to receive strong support from former parishioners, who gather en masse outside the penitentiary's

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walls to await word. Several brief skirmishes were reported, as outnumbered supporters of the death-penalty were summarily shouted down.

"Normally, I'm a big supporter of the death penalty," said Lanihan advocate, William Vernor "but, damn it, you just don't kill priests."

Lanihan was convicted in June in the 1982 slaying of Norton Kelly, 35, a decorated Austin police officer. Lanihan beat Kelly to death.

"I have no remorse for what I've done, though I'm sorry it had to be (done)," Lanihan, who who waived legal counsel, told the jury. "I ask for no sympathy, no empathy—but I do ask for you to follow the law."

The jury took over three days of deliberations to recommend the death penalty.

Travis County Prosecutor Ken Nash, who argued for the death penalty, attended the execution as a witness along with members of the press and the victim's family.

"Justice was served," Nash said. "I only wish Lanihan had the decency to tell the victim's friends and family why he chose to kill Officer Kelly. These people need closure, and he refused to give it to them. I guess we'll never know. Lanihan took it to his grave."

THE DAILY TEXAN
1/16/85

Cop-killing priest gets a one-way ticket to HELL care of the good taxpayers of Texas.

Question: Why didn't anyone intervene--not even the bishop? A commutation to life w/o parole could have been arranged. The Catholic Church is one of the leading voices in the anti-death penalty movement. They march for serial killers, yet not one organized rally on behalf of a priest?

Clearly, the Vatican saw some promise in Lanihan, and felt he could be put to use. Why let him rot in a cell when he clearly has a "higher calling?"

11/16/84

The official prison Record of Lanihan's (alleged) Execution

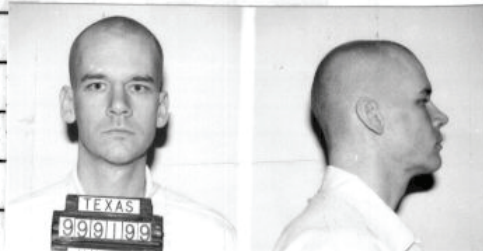
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1-16-85*

Name: Damien Ignatius Lanihan D.R.# 999031
 DOB: 2 / 28 / 58 Received: 7 / 7 / 84 Age: 26 (when rec
 County: Travis Date of Offense: 7 / 2 / 82
 Age at time of offense: 24 Race: white Height: 6-1
 Weight: 200 Eyes: brown Hair: brown
 Native County: Travis State: Texas
 Prior Occupation: Catholic Priest Education level: 18½ years
 Prior prison record:
None

Summary: Convicted in 1982 slaying of Officer Norton James Kelly, an
 Austin police officer. Confessed at scene. No motive determined.
 Pled guilty and subsequently withdrew all appeals.

Co-Defendants: None

Race of Victim(s): white male



BEHOLD! HE IS RISEN!!!
8/5/87

The photo below was taken by a tourist off the coast of Sardinia and is the only known picture ever taken of members of The Order. The standing priest is Monsignor Aquinas. However, the most interesting subject is the priest seated in the lower right hand corner.



The priest in the 1987 photo is known as Father Ignatius (coincidentally Lanihan's middle name) The features are five years older, but the same. Even more telling is the broken nose.



Damien Ignatius
Lanihan - 1982



Father "Ignatius"
- 1987

SCENARIO: In 1982, The Order picks up Lanihan's murder charge on their radar. They direct members of the T-L Commission (or possibly the Bittenbergers) to arrange for a staged execution. Lanihan is spirited away to the Vatican for field operations training.

(NOTE: The tourist who snapped the above photo drowned in a boating "accident" less than two weeks later.)

An interesting hit on the Lexus/Nexus search for Father Thomas Connelly. Note the military background.

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THE PROFILE: Soldier of Christ

by James Collingsworth

To know Father Thomas Connelly, it's best to ask the people in the tough neighborhoods of Southie. Mention his name, and the guarded expressions are replaced by open admiration for the young pastor at Incarnation Catholic Church.

"Father Tom, he's one of us," says Xavier Rojas, an ex-member of the D-Street Crips. The 17-year-old drops his eyes to knuckles scarred by a dozen rumbles. "A lot of people go on about how much they care about the community. But Father Tom, it's no bulls__t. He cares."

Lee Jason Hardwicke agrees. Convicted of hate-crimes and murder-one, Lee is serving time for kicking a gay teen into a permanent coma with several fellow members of the White Aryan Resistance.

"I wasn't even a Catholic. But Father T., he treated me better than anybody I ever met. Most people give me a look, you know? The tats freak them out," Hardwicke says, referring to the intricate tattoos of swastikas, barbed wire, skulls and demons that coil

around his muscled arms and torso. "But Father T. never even looked at them. He just looked at me."

Hardwicke is now enrolled in the prison's Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIA) program. Occasionally he serves as an altar boy.

Prisons are full of criminals who have embraced religion. A cynical observer might

opine that an inmate who finds God looks good to the Parole Board. In Hardwicke's case, however, an early release isn't a consideration. He's in for life without parole.

A Soldier's Story

As Father Connelly says, "Sometimes, people got to take a lot of left turns before they hang a right." The same could be said for Connelly himself. Raised on

the rough-and-tumble streets of South Boston, this soft-spoken man was more likely to let his fists do the talking when he was a boy. "My first arrest was when I was 14," he says. "Grand theft auto." Barely finishing high school, convicted on burglary charges, at 18, Connelly was given a choice by Superior Court Judge, William Gould.

"He told me it was jail or the military,"



Father Thomas Connelly attends a recent prayer vigil for the victims of gang violence in South Boston.

remembers Connelly. "I figured the Navy'd be better than doing time. You know . . . the spray in my face, the wind at my back?" He smiles and shakes his head. "Boy was I dumb."

To be a SEAL

"There was this other guy, Mike Feebiger, who talked me into volunteering for Special Forces. A big testosterone-gung-ho deal. Of course, he washed out in the first week. Me, I did better than him."

The understatement is typical for Connelly. He graduated his SEAL training at the head of his unit. Four days later, Saddam Hussein's Republican Guard invaded Kuwait. Connelly shipped out with the first wave of Coalition troops.

"I can't really talk about the stuff I did because a lot of it's still classified. But they kept me pretty busy."

"Pretty busy" includes serving with an elite unit whose mission was to stage a false amphibious landing to divert Hussein's forces, a maneuver essential to the Coalition's victory. Charges were set by night on the beachhead off Kuwait City during the week prior to the land-invasion. In the pre-dawn darkness, Connelly and the seven other SEALs in his unit, used smoke grenades, tactical audio, nimble inflatable boats and ceaseless, withering

tracer-fire to simulate a full scale "invasion"

"We had four zodiacs with these huge speakers, and these digital audiotapes of artillery, motors, gunfire and guys yelling orders," recalls Connelly. "Meanwhile, we're running full out with gunners on the .60s arcing tracers over the Iraqi trenches and setting off incendiary charges. Just eight

**"Sometimes,
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a right."**

- Fr. Thomas Connolly

of us and they were convinced it was a Marine battalion. They kept calling in reinforcements. Meanwhile, the coalition's flanking them from the north and west. I'd say it was fun except for the fact that we were under pretty heavy fire ourselves."

Soul Survivor

Indeed, a mortar shell exploded within five feet of Connelly's boat, blowing his team leader, Lt. Pierce Boone, into the choppy waters of the Persian Gulf. Wounded, blinded by the smoke deployed to camouflage the operation, Connelly immediately entered the water, searching for Boone under heavy fire.

After several desperate minutes, he managed to locate Boone, semi-conscious and in desperate need of medical assistance.

"The only problem is," adds Connelly, "I lost my Zodiac."

Almost three grueling hours ensued, during which Connelly struggled to maintain his grip on his C.O. "He was bleeding heavily from a shrapnel wound in his leg. I managed to tie it off with my dummy-cord." At one point, Boone stopped breathing. "I revived him with CPR, which is kind of tricky in the water. It was pretty touch-and-go there toward the end. We were lucky."

A Prayer Answered

The incident earned Connelly a Silver Star. More importantly, the brush with death was an epiphany for the pugnacious young warrior.

"I'd spent months training to take lives. And I was very, very good at it. But when I was in the water, I realized that nobility and courage and all that stuff wasn't about taking lives, but saving them. And I said the first prayer I'd said since I was about six, and that was 'God, help me do this and I promise I'll do it again and again and again.'"

"So that's pretty much my job description, now," Connelly adds, "saving people."

THE WEEKLY WORLD NEWS
03/09/80

Lexus/Nexus turned up no references to a "Sister Dawa." A second boolean search for "Sister" and "Dawa" and "Moon" (Dawa is Tibetan for "Moon") returned the following article. The children pictured would be in their mid-twenties. Sister Moon has been described as "Asiatic/Indian."

Sisters Raised by Wolves Captured

Weekly World News Exclusive

More photos on pg. 16!

"I've never seen anything like it," exclaimed Indian missionary, Reverend K.A.J. Patel regarding his discovery of feral sisters, the first documented case of multiple "wolf children" on record.

Reverend Patel first became aware of the twins when villagers began reporting thefts of food and livestock by two "ghosts" who apparently ran with a pack of *Dholes*, a large Asiatic wild dog found in thick scrub jungles and dense forests throughout mainland south-east Asia. Patel dismissed the stories as superstition until he witnessed the "ghosts" for himself.

"My wife, Serinda, awoke me very late. There was a terrible noise in the chicken-coop with much screeching." Armed with a machete, Reverend Patel cautiously left his bungalow to investigate. "A sight met my eyes that I will remember always! A great pack of wild dogs was savagely slaughtering the chickens, and in their midst were two small figures. I thought they were monkeys, but with great heads and long hair, their bodies naked. They were growling and baring their teeth!"

Frightened off by the missionary, the two mysterious creatures fled with the pack. The next morning, Reverend Patel engaged some villagers to assist him in tracking and capturing the "ghosts." The "wolf children" were discovered living with a family of *Dholes* in an earthen den: "The two cubs and the other two hideous beings were in one corner, all four clutching together in a monkey-call. The ghosts were more ferocious than the cubs, making faces, showing teeth. We were at a loss and didn't know what



Wolf sisters, Sun and Moon, shortly after being discovered in jungle cave.

to do."

Reverend Patel took charge of the two girls and brought them to his orphanage, his wife dubbing them "Sun" and "Moon" due to their contrasting dispositions. Sun, the elder of the two at approximately four years old, is more demonstrative and outgoing. The younger, Moon, about three, is more withdrawn and somber.

Though neither has the ability to speak, and are more comfortable moving at a crouch rather than standing upright, the Reverend is confident he will be able to successfully reintroduce them into the human world.

"It is a bit like Pygmalion," says Patel, "albeit a far greater challenge. But my wife and I are confident that we will turn these two little savages into polite young Christian

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