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Dear Mr. Shanahan and Mr. Romeo,

Thank you for sharing your struggle with me. While I fully support your bravery, this is not a battle that I wish to join.

I have always believed that the only way to defeat an enemy of truth, such as the Catholic Church, is by emptying their pews and coffers and letting them rot away like an abandoned cemetery. Fighting for change within a dead system is a waste of time, energy and vitally needed resources. They already have you wanting to belong to them. They already have your money. They have no need to change or accommodate you.

Now, if you decide to sue to shut them down... Well, give me a call and I might be willing to get behind you.

Sincerely,

Harvey Fierstein