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Mrs. Margaret Meaney  
Box 434 Holbrook Ave.  
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Dear Mrs. Meaney:

Thank you so much for your letter and information. Prior to the publication, I sought in vain to find the location of the first rectory in Wellfleet. On Page 58 of the text in Father Eikerling's letter, he paints a dismal picture of that house and claims he lost \$400 on the sale. Would you agree with that description? Or do you think he is exaggerating?

You mention that you have two deeds that prove that your front bedroom may have been used on occasion for Mass. Could either give me the documentation for the deed, e.g. book and number? Or a copy of them?

"In June(n.d.) 1910, Betsey F. Harriman, 'having no husband', sold the house for one dollar and other valuable considerations to the Roman Catholic Bishop of Fall River, the incumbent being Daniel F. Feehan. This was recorded June 18, 1910. On October 9, 1912, the Bishop sold the house to Otis P. Dill 'being unmarried'.... It was sold for the same one dollar and other valuable considerations."

From the map enclosed, I would presume that your house is located the second on the left after Baker Lane proceeding from Main Street. Next time I get to Wellfleet, I would like to visit your home. I thank you for filling in one of the many blank spots in my book and will pass along this information to be used in the future. God bless you.

Sincerely, in the Sacred Hearts,

*Harold A. Whelan, SS.CC.*  
Rev. Harold A. Whelan, SS.CC.

cc. Rev. Jeremiah Casey, SS.CC. ✓

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