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## Investigation to begin on Fr. Leon Lajoie issue

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**(Kahnawake – 3, Kentenhkó:wa/November 2021)** The Mohawk Council of Kahnawà:ke (MCK) wishes to inform the community that the investigation into allegations of sexual abuse against the late Father Leon Lajoie will begin today (Wednesday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>).

The investigation will be undertaken by representatives of the King International Advisory Group, a well-known investigation, intelligence, and enterprise risk management consulting agency. The investigation firm was appointed by the Jesuit Order of Canada.

Community members can contact the investigators to share their concerns, stories and feedback by contacting Brian King by telephone at (416) 628-6877 extension 222, emailing at [bking@kinginternationalgroup.com](mailto:bking@kinginternationalgroup.com) or sending a text message to (416) 346-5833.

Father Lajoie was a priest and, later, the long-time pastor for the St. Francis Xavier Mission in Kahnawà:ke. He retired in the mid-1990's and passed away in 1999.

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