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IRANIAN STRIKE BACK AT U.S. BASE

Trump 'thanks' Iran for warning before it fired a barrage of missiles

By Mark Nicol and Natalie Lisbona

DONALD Trump last night 'thanked' Iran for the early warning after a barrage of missiles was fired towards the largest Western military base in the Middle East.

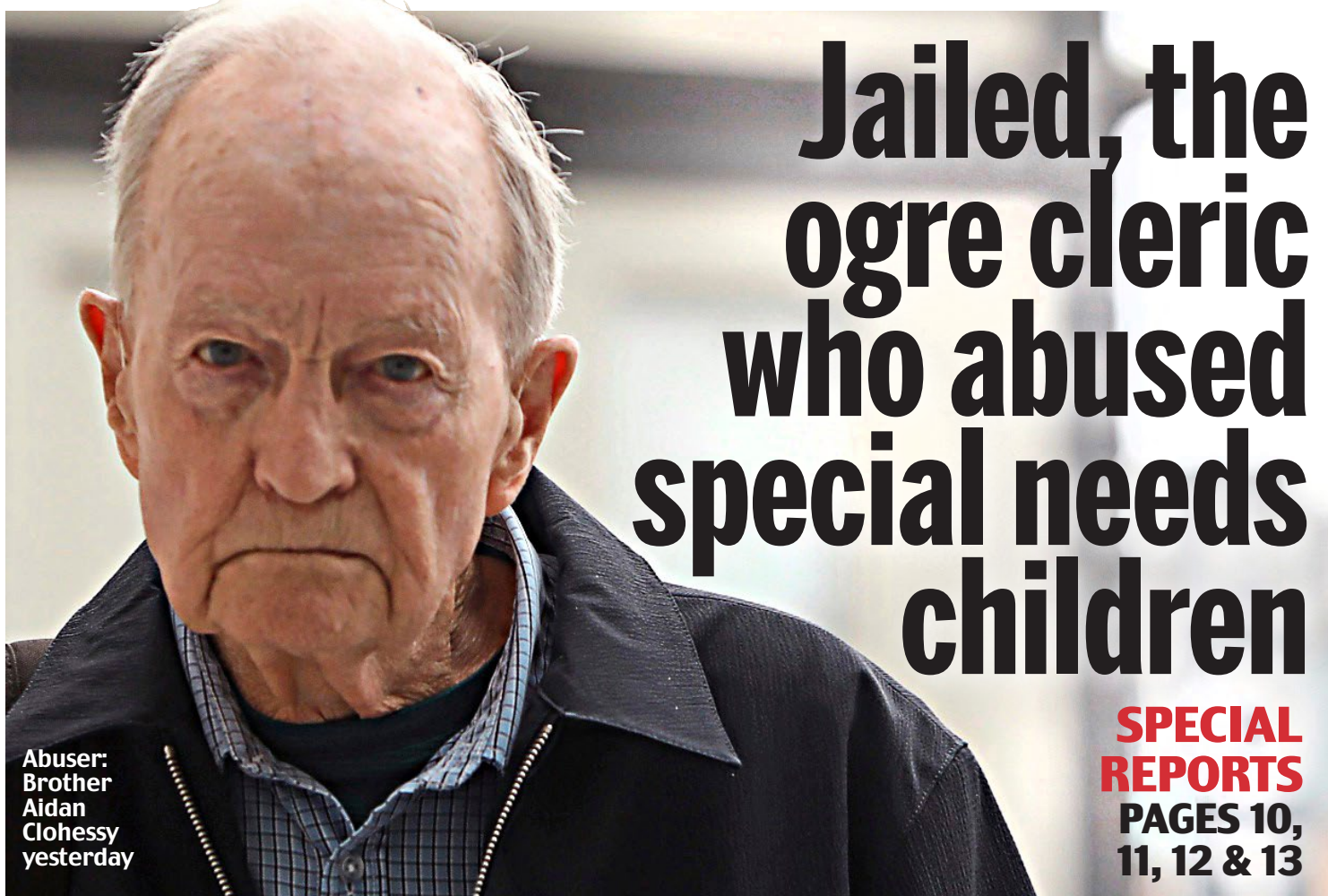
Tehran's threatened response to American strikes on its nuclear facilities came as it sent 14 missiles of its own across the Persian Gulf towards Qatar's Al-Udeid coalition base, which is home to US troops and also the regional headquarters of the British Royal Air Force.

All were shot down without hitting their target, leaving the US president to label it a 'very weak response' to his weekend attack.

He wrote on his Truth Social platform: 'I am pleased to report that NO Americans were harmed, and hardly any damage was done. Most importantly, they've gotten it all out of their "system," and there will, hopefully, be no further HATE. I want to thank Iran for giving us early notice, which made it possible for no lives to be lost, and nobody to be injured.'

'Perhaps Iran can now proceed to Peace and Harmony in the Region, and

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Abuser: Brother Aidan Clohessy yesterday

Jailed, the ogre cleric who abused special needs children

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Picture: SEÁN DWYER

THE former principal of a special needs school for boys was jailed for four years yesterday after being found guilty of multiple counts of historical child sex abuse which a judge labelled 'atrocities'.

St John of God brother Aidan Clohessy, 85, was found guilty of 19 sexual assaults against six boys in two trials held behind closed doors in May.

Because of reporting restrictions during the trials, the verdicts can only now be reported.

The boys were all pupils at St Augustine's school for intellectually disabled children in Blackrock, south Dublin, where Clohessy was principal until his superiors sent him on a 'career break' to Malawi in 1993.

All of the offences took place at St Augustine's and relate to dates between 1969 and 1986.

With some of the offences dating back as far as 56 years, this is one of the oldest historical abuse cases ever to be prosecuted.

Clohessy was first exposed as a serial paedophile in a landmark investigation published by our sister newspaper, The Irish Mail on Sunday, in January 2018.

That investigation sparked a new criminal inquiry after victims who cannot read or write recognised Clohessy's photo in the newspaper and came forward.

In previous years, some of those victims had tried to complain to

'That trust was betrayed'

gardai only to have their complaint ignored.

The first trial, before Judge Elva Duffy at the Criminal Courts of Justice in Dublin, took five days and concluded on May 13.

Because Clohessy faced a second trial, this could not be reported until yesterday when sentencing hearings for both trials took place.

In the first trial, Clohessy was found guilty of four counts of indecently assaulting Wayne Farrell, 51, of Dún Laoghaire, in the 1980s. The abuse began when he was 11. Clohessy was also found guilty of indecently assaulting Gerry Quinn, 52, of Leixlip, Co. Kildare on ten occasions. The abuse began when he was ten.

One of the convictions relating to Mr Quinn involves penetration during an indecent assault carried out in a residence for pupils at St Augustine's.

During the trial, Mr Quinn told the court Clohessy took down his shorts and underpants, telling him to lean over a church-like bench in a room in a school residence.

'He would call me a demon and say he had to get the demon out of me,' Mr Quinn testified.

Mr Quinn said the assaults against him stopped only after he threatened Clohessy with a kitchen knife.

In his victim impact statement, which was read by his wife Cathy yesterday, Mr Quinn described the devastating impact the abuse has had on his life.

He described feeling 'haunted by a ghost of your own life, one that refuses to stay buried'.

'I was just a child. A child who trusted the adults who were meant to care for him, protect

Abuser cleric an 'ogre' who carried out his 'atrocities' by night – judge

St John of God brother is jailed for attacks on boys while he was the principal of special needs school

THE DEFENCE WITNESS PHIL GRAY

IN 2013 Phil Gray was one of a dozen management figures at the St John of God group who shared in unauthorised, secret payments worth millions.

The top-up scandal was later exposed by an Irish Mail on Sunday investigation in 2016.

Ms Gray was one of two defence witnesses who were called to testify at both of Brother Aidan Clohessy's abuse trials.

In her evidence, Ms Gray, who is now retired, testified about being responsible for the 'chalets' that boarders lived in at St Augustine's school in the 1980s.

Brother Aidan's defence used Ms Gray's testimony in an effort to cast doubt on the evidence of his accusers.

In particular, they used her testimony to argue that Brother Aidan's victims would not have

been left unaccompanied by teachers or key workers when they were allegedly assaulted.

Ms Gray also offered testimony relating to campus locations and living arrangements in the chalets that contradicted the memory of the accusers in the case.

And she told the court that Brother Aidan – while principal of St Augustine's and the overall director of services – had no role in managing the chalets.

Another defence witness – Paul Stephens – gave similar testimony for the defence.

Mr Stephens, now based in the Middle East, is a retired Department of Education school inspector and former teacher at St Augustines.

'I don't remember him [Brother Aidan] having any specific responsibility for residential services,' he testified.



Testimony: Witness Phil Gray

him, guide him. And instead, that trust was betrayed in the most horrific way,' he said.

'Today, I stand here not just as a man speaking about his past, but as someone finally standing up for that little boy. That innocent child who should have been safe. Who should have been believed. Who should never have had to carry this burden alone.'

Mr Quinn said the pain imposed on him has never gone away, adding: 'It shaped every part of who I became. It was not just a moment in time, it was the moment that

stole my childhood, shattered my trust and broke something inside me that I've been trying to piece back together ever since.'

Mr Quinn added that the emotional trauma he suffered, as he carried his pain for 40 years, manifested itself physically. 'I developed a stammer that I had never had before. It came from being silenced, from being terrified to speak, from knowing that no one would protect me if I did,' he said.

'That stammer has followed me into adulthood, a persistent reminder of the silence I was

forced into, and the child I was forced to abandon to survive. For over 40 years, I have carried pain that didn't just sit quietly in the

'I was afraid to tell anyone'

background, it has been shouting inside me, every single day. I have felt angry, lost, and alone. I turned to self-medication just to try and dull the ache. I ended up in abusive relationships where people

used my past against me. I didn't know what love looked like.'

The convictions relating to Mr Farrell involve sexual assaults that took place in other areas of the school including Clohessy's office and the swimming pool changing room.

Mr Farrell, who cannot read or write, came forward after he saw Clohessy's photo in the 2018 Irish Mail on Sunday investigation.

In his victim-impact statement, which was read on his behalf by investigating garda Claire Jackman, Mr Farrell said his life and

By Michael O'Farrell

BROTHER Aidan Clohessy told gardai he used corporal punishment in two separate interviews under caution – and then denied it under oath in his trial.

The denial came as Clohessy made the very unusual move of taking the stand in his second trial last month – something the jury was told does not happen in 99.9% of cases.

Clohessy did not testify in his first trial last month when he was found guilty of 14 counts of indecent assault against Gerry Quinn and Wayne Farrell, two former pupils of the St John of God school St Augustine's, in Dublin's Blackrock.

But he testified in his second trial, involving four more complainants, giving him the opportunity to deny allegations against him, and to call into question the credibility of his accusers.

He used his evidence to repeatedly deny each accusation in turn, mostly with two-word answers.

'That's incorrect,' he said repeatedly, clearing his throat afterwards. 'Didn't happen,' he replied with a shrug to another accusation. Clohessy's calm and confident demeanour on the stand was in sharp contrast to that of his accusers. They often physically crumbled and

An ambulance had to be called

broke down in tears as they gave their evidence, visibly afraid of Clohessy.

One of them – Joe Devine – appeared to faint and collapsed under cross-examination by Clohessy's team, requiring an ambulance to be called.

As a result, the second trial was delayed for the rest of that week. At times, Clohessy, who was dressed in a blue, open-necked shirt and grey jacket when he took the stand, chuckled before answering questions, as if he felt them ridiculous.

On other occasions he hummed quietly to himself – a habit he displayed frequently as he sat in the dock waiting for the trial to commence each day.

But the decision to testify left him open to cross-examination by prosecution barrister Eoghan Cole, who quizzed him about his own inconsistencies.

Asking Clohessy about corporal punishment, Mr Cole clarified: 'I am referring to punishing pupils by hitting them. Do you understand what I mean?'

'I do, yes,' Clohessy replied. 'Can I ask was there corporal punishment used in the school

May 13, Judge Duffy initially moved to remand Clohessy in custody pending his sentence.

However, his barrister, Ronan Kennedy, prevented Clohessy's imprisonment on that day by arguing that the move would have delayed the second trial.

At yesterday's sentencing hearings, Clohessy's defence indicated that he would not be appealing the verdict of either case.

Clohessy's team also pleaded for leniency based on his age, his cooperative manner with gardai, the 'antiquity' of the offences and

the good work he had done in Malawi where he established a new mission for St John of God. Passing sentence in the first

'Took away their childhood'

case yesterday, Judge Duffy imposed a four-year jail sentence – two years each, to be served consecutively, for each of the two victims. In doing so she commented that the crimes Clohessy

had committed were 'done in total secrecy'.

She added that Clohessy had been 'living a life which is full of good deeds during the day' while carrying out 'what can only be described as atrocities at night'.

Judge Duffy also said those who Clohessy was responsible for caring for as school principal were children who were more vulnerable than most. She added that instead of keeping them safe he had 'been the ogre who was coming to them at night.'

Judge Duffy said she took on

were in residences?'

'Sorry, what's your question?' Clohessy queried. Mr Cole said: 'I'm asking you if you ever imposed corporal punishment – using your strap for example – on boys who were in the school or in the residence.' Seeing his client was about to be caught out, defence barrister Ronan Kennedy raised an objection.

In the absence of the jury, he told Judge Martin Nolan he was concerned this line of questioning could collapse the trial.

'There was another case,' he said, referring to the first trial, of which the jury in the second trial could be told nothing.

Mr Cole argued that he was fully entitled to follow through on Clohessy's denial in this trial with reference to the 2019 Garda statement.

'This is about the witness's credibility to the jury,' he said.

Judge Nolan agreed.

When the jury returned, Mr Cole resumed his cross-examination. He gave a printed copy of Clohessy's 2019 interview to the accused and jury. Then he read aloud the answers in which Clohessy confirmed he'd used corporal punishment.

'Do you see that?' he then asked. 'Yes,' said Clohessy.

'So you told the Guards that you did invoke corporal punishment on at least some students,' Mr Cole asked.

'Yes,' said Clohessy.

'Then why did you tell the jury that you didn't?' asked Mr Cole.

'I would slap them on the bottom'

'This morning we were talking in the context of the complainants. In that context I had no responsibility for that age group,' Clohessy said.

At that, Mr Cole moved on.

With reporting restrictions in place until the conclusion of both trials, the jury in the second trial knew nothing of the previous trial – not even that it had occurred. But Mr Cole did, as did the defence and the Garda team at the back of the courtroom.

Now that both trials have concluded and Clohessy has been sentenced, matters in the first trial can be reported for the first time – including a 2022 Garda interview with Clohessy.

The voluntary and under-caution interview was conducted by top Garda interrogator Detective Sergeant Peter Woods.

Now retired, Det Sgt Woods attended both trials. In his 2022 interview with Clohessy, Det Sgt Woods asked him: 'Did you use corporal punishment?'

'I did,' Clohessy said.

'What did you do?' Clohessy was asked. 'For very, very serious offences, I would slap them on the bottom,' he answered.

'Were their clothes on or off?' Det Sgt Woods asked.

'On their bare bottom, yes,' said Clohessy.

board mitigating factors and testimonials in favour of Clohessy and his good work.

But she said she was not sentencing the man who did that good work. 'I am sentencing the man who took away their childhood,' she said.

The second trial, before Judge Martin Nolan, concluded on May 30 after two weeks.

In that trial, Clohessy faced a further nine charges of sexual assault against four boys. He was found guilty by a majority verdict

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Guilty: Brother Aidan Clohessy arriving at court for sentencing hearing yesterday

The courageous victims speak out
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BROTHER ACCUSED OF ABUSE WAS LEFT IN AFRICA

BREAKING 35-YEAR SILENCE ON ABUSE

Taxpayers' funding to St John of God mission in Africa is suspended

Investigation: Irish Mail on Sunday exposed Clohessy in 2018

CLOHESSY CHUCKLED.

A VICTIM COLLAPSED.

BUT MONSTER WAS SNARED IN THE END



Brazen: Clohessy is lauded for work in Africa in 2010 TG4 film

HE WOULD CALL ME HE HAD TO GET THE

Courageous victims find the strength to speak about horrific abuse they suffered

Pictures: SEÁN DWYER

VICTIM 1 GERRY QUINN GAVE HIS EVIDENCE ON WEDNESDAY, MAY 7

THE tense silence in court 21 was palpable.

No one dared breathe. On the stand was Gerry Quinn, a grown man, aged 52, dressed in a dark green shirt and a black, patterned tie.

He'd just been asked by his own barrister to tell the court if anything he hadn't been happy with had ever happened with Brother Aidan Clohessy while he was at school. Time ticked by in agonising slow motion. Gerry couldn't answer. He began to visibly shake.

There was only silence – as he fought for the strength to speak.

Across the room, elevated in the jury area, seven men and five women watched, transfixed at what they were witnessing.

The grown man before them was transforming before their eyes into the little boy he'd been when he first became Clohessy's victim 42 years ago.

And he couldn't get the words out.

Shaking, with tears running down his cheeks, Gerry scrunched up his eyes tightly. At the back of the court his wife was in tears too.

Steeling himself to speak, he took half a dozen long, deep breaths, picked up on the court microphone before him.

Everyone watched, willing him to find the words he needed but uncertain he could.

Two steps below him – and just a couple of meters away – Clohessy, the accused, sat in the dock.

Dressed in a dark suit and olive-green, open-neck shirt, he was unable to look anyone in the eye.

Instead, head down, he found a fleck of dust on

his suit pants and flicked it off, fastidiously.

Earlier, at the start of his first trial, Clohessy had spoken the only words this jury would ever hear from him.

'Not guilty' he'd said to each of the 17 original charges against him, his distinctive Limerick twang inserting a misplaced 'D' into the word.

Now, as the first witness, it was Gerry's turn to say otherwise.

He opened his eyes and tried but no words came out. Yet everyone in the room believed him already.

After an unbearable silence, prosecution barrister Eoghan Cole gently prompted him again.

What had Br Aidan done? 'Stuff,' came the broken voice of a child through the mists of time.

Then another, agonising pause followed – longer this time. It was unclear if Gerry would be able to do this.

'Can

you tell us what you mean by stuff?' Gerry was asked.

Then, slowly, that trembling voice found the words it needed.

'Well, I was called names. I was slapped. I was hit. I was touched in ways I know now – but at the time didn't – that I shouldn't have been.'

'Can I ask you who did those things to you?'

'Br Aidan.'

Soon Gerry was telling of being in the kitchen of his residence at his boarding school, St Augustine's, when Clohessy, the school principal, visited in the evening.

'I would hear the front door open and close and I knew who it was,' he told the court.

'Who was it?' he was asked.

'Br Aidan.'

Once inside Br Aidan would begin the name calling.

'He would call me a demon and say he had to get the demon out of me,' Gerry testified.

Then, Clohessy would bring Gerry, dressed in red shorts and a child's Umbro vest, to an empty room.

Inside there was nothing but a church-like bench.

Gerry told how Clohessy would take down his red shorts before telling him to bend over the pew.

'On one or two occasions I felt the small of me back being wet,' Gerry told the court.

'On one occasion I felt something that went in. I don't know what it was.'

Where was Br Aidan when this was happening, Gerry was asked.

'Behind me,' he replied.

Clohessy was convicted of this and nine other indecent assaults against Gerry Quinn at the conclusion of his first trial, on May 13.

Support:
Brave
Gerry
Quinn and
wife Cathy

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of five of these charges, not guilty of three charges and in the final charge the jury could not agree.

Clohessy was found guilty of one count of sexually assaulting Patsy Carville, 67, with an address in Co. Down.

Mr Carville also came forward after he saw the Irish Mail on Sunday's 2018 investigation.

This assault took place between 1969 and 1971 in a gym store room at St Augustine's.

In his victim impact statement, read to the court yesterday by

investigating garda Rachel Kiernan, Mr Carville said the abuse he suffered 'took away my childhood'.

'I was denied safety, trust and innocence that should have shaped my early years,' he said.

'I lived in constant state of anxiety which I found it impossible to escape from.'

'I wet the bed and to this day as a man of 67 I still have that problem. I am stronger than what was done to me. I will not let my past dictate my future.'

'I deserve to be heard and I

deserve justice.' The court also heard a statement from Mr Carville's daughter, Michelle.

She said she and her siblings never knew about their father's plight until he saw the Irish Mail on Sunday investigation in 2018.

'That was when he broke down to us and told us about the abuse he was subjected to at the school by Br Aidan,' she said. 'We then understood why Daddy could not help us with homework when we were growing up.'

Clohessy was also found guilty of one sexual assault against former

St Augustine's pupil Joe Devine, 61, of Prosperous, Co. Kildare.

Mr Devine, who cannot read or write, came forward after he saw

Collapsed to the ground

Clohessy's photo in the 2018 investigation in the paper.

Clohessy was acquitted of a second charge of assaulting Mr Devine, who testified about being

told by Brother Aidan to remove his underwear and lie across mats in a gym store room.

'You've got a fine pair,' Br Aidan told Mr Devine as he assaulted him.

During cross-examination by Clohessy's barrister, Ronan Kennedy, on Wednesday May 21, Mr Devine became overwhelmed on the stand, slumped forward and collapsed to the ground.

After an ambulance was called, the trial was delayed for two days until Mr Devine could complete his evidence. Prior to the trial

VICTIM 2 WAYNE FARRELL GAVE HIS EVIDENCE ON THURSDAY, MAY 8. THIS IS AN EXTRACT FROM HIS SWORN STATEMENT TO GARDAÍ, DATED MAY 5, 2022

THE first time something happened to me I was coming from the pool. I was in my uniform. I think it was grey and navy.

He [Br Aidan] said: 'Son I want to see you in my office.'

I asked him why. He said: 'Son, quiet' and put his finger to his lip.

I wasn't aware of anything happening to anyone before. I went to his office with him.

You could see a pond of water out his window. The desk was to the left. There were chairs in there too.

We were inside and he locked the door. That key was always in his pocket. It was never in the door.

He said: 'Now son, take your clothes off.'

I said: 'No, Brother Aidan.'

I said no again. He took out a belt and a stick. I just took off my belt and took off my trousers. I wouldn't take off my underpants. I was never disciplined like this before.

He took off my underpants for me. He gave me such a wallop across my ass from behind.

I was facing the wall at this stage and he was behind. Then he put his hand on my private parts, on my penis and balls.

He said to me: 'They are nice.'

He held them for 20/30 seconds and he kept squeezing them. I always remember him squeezing them.

At this stage he is behind me and he says: 'You put your hands on the desk and don't move them.'

I had my hands on the desk for a few minutes. I felt something hard behind me on my backside.

I moved when I felt something hard. I asked: 'Why, Brother Aidan?' He walloped me again.

I believe it was his penis erected behind me. He started to put his penis up and down on my backside. I then wet myself.

He did not insert his penis in me but he ejaculated on my backside. My bum was wet.

This lasted for about 20 minutes. During this I just fixated out of his window in the office.

After he ejaculated, he cleaned me up.

When I was leaving his office, he said: 'Quiet, son', putting his finger to his lips.

Clohessy was convicted of this assault – and three others against Wayne Farrell – at the conclusion of his first trial on May 13.

A DEMON AND SAY DEMON OUT OF ME



Statement:
Victim
Wayne
Farrell

VICTIM 3 PATSY CARVILLE GAVE HIS EVIDENCE ON MAY 20

PATSY Carville is a 67-year-old grandfather from Co. Down. He was sent to St Augustine's as a child because his stutter was so bad that he could not speak.

'My parents told me I was going to play football like George Best,' he testified.

Mr Carville recalled how Clohessy would supervise showers.

'I remember Brother Aidan saying, "Right, get into your birthday suit". I didn't know what that was,' he told the court.

He then described an incident that occurred when Clohessy followed him into a store room in the school gym after a five-a-side football game.

'I went in and he closed the door after me.... Brother Aidan followed me in,' he testified.

'He told me to take my shorts down... He told me to take my underpants down as well.

'I took down my underpants. He just stood and watched.

'He was staring at me. Then he told me to turn around and to put my hands on the horse. He said, "Don't turn around - whatever you do - don't you dare turn around".'

Mr Carville described how Clohessy then 'whacked the arse off me with his bare hands'.

'I cried like a child,' he said.

Clohessy was convicted of this sexual assault against Patsy Carville at the conclusion of his second trial on May 30.

Assaulted:
Patsy
Carville
from Co.
Down



Evidence:
Joe Devine
came
forward
after 2018
exposé



VICTIM 4 JOE DEVINE GAVE HIS EVIDENCE ON MAY 21

JOE Devine is a 61-year-old father-of-five who grew up in Prosperous, Co. Kildare.

One of nine children, he was sent to St Augustine's when his mother left the family home. He had just made his First Communion.

Mr Devine, who cannot read or write, came forward after he saw Clohessy's picture on the front page of our sister newspaper - The Irish Mail on Sunday - when it featured in a 2018 exposé.

He told the court that Clohessy told him to go into the store room in the gym and 'lie across the mats.'

He said Clohessy then told him to pull his shorts down before slapping his bare buttocks with a strap.

'He took his time with the last one,' Mr Devine told the jury.

'On the last one he said, "Hold the head straight. You needn't look back". Then he put his hands around me and said, "You've got a fine pair".'

Clohessy was convicted of one of two charges of sexually assaulting Mr Devine at the conclusion of his second trial on May 30.

VICTIM 5 WHO WISHES TO REMAIN ANONYMOUS - GAVE HIS EVIDENCE ON MAY 26/27

VICTIM 5 is a 61-year-old from Dublin who was a pupil at St Augustine's in the 1970s.

He testified about being ordered by Br Aidan to remove his trousers and underwear in his office.

When he refused, he said, Br Aidan removed the clothing before slapping him with his bare hand.

He was then ordered to kneel, naked from the waist down, before a statue of St John of God.

A few minutes later he heard a noise and turned around, thinking Br Aidan was picking up keys from the desk.

'He was fastening his zip, fixing his belt and tucking his shirt,' the victim testified. Br Aidan was convicted of one of four counts of sexually abusing this victim at the conclusion of his second trial on May 30.

VICTIM 6 WHO WISHES TO REMAIN ANONYMOUS - GAVE HIS EVIDENCE ON MAY 26

VICTIM 6 is a 50-year-old, originally from Co. Meath, who attended St Augustine's in the 1980s as a boarder.

He was ten years old when he began attending the school.

He testified that Br Aidan had twice sexually assaulted him in the gym changing rooms.

He said the assaults happened as he was leaving the shower and crossing the room to get his towel.

'Coming out of the shower I was touched on the backside - that happened twice,' he said.

Br Aidan was convicted of sexually assaulting this victim on two occasions at the conclusion of his second trial on May 30.

resuming, Clohessy's defence made an application to have the trial abandoned.

Addressing Judge Nolan, Mr Kennedy argued that the incident, which the jury had seen, would prejudice Clohessy's defence. However, Judge Nolan allowed the trial to proceed.

In his witness statement, read by Garda Kiernan yesterday, Mr Devine said a fear of going into classrooms had resulted in a loss of education. He said he experienced feelings of 'frustration and inadequacy' and had been 'unable

even to learn the marriage vows or to read my kids a story'.

The remaining charges in the second trial relate to two other past pupils of St Augustine's who do not wish to be named.

In their impact statements, read by Garda Kiernan yesterday, they both spoke of the trauma they had lived and the flashbacks they still get.

During his direct testimony, one of them, who is now 61, told the court how Clohessy had twice touched him inappropriately in a shower area at St Augustine's.

Clohessy was found guilty of both of these assaults.

The other victim, who is today 50, told how Clohessy made him

Made him kneel before a statue

kneel, naked from the waist down, before a statue of St John of God, after slapping him.

When he turned around, the victim testified that he saw Br Aidan

zipping up his trousers, fixing his belt and tucking in his shirt.

Clohessy was convicted of this assault. He was acquitted of two other charges of assaulting this victim while the jury could not agree on a fourth charge.

After hearing victims impact statements from these four victims yesterday, Judge Nolan said that he would decide on a sentence today.

The team prosecuting Clohessy was instructed by Liz Staunton, principal prosecutor at the Office of Director of Public Prosecu-

tions. The Garda team was made up of members from the Garda National Protective Services Bureau.

The lead Garda investigator in the first trial was Detective Garda Claire Jackman, while the lead investigator in the second trial was Detective Garda Rachel Kiernan.

Other members of the team included Detective Carol Corrigan, Detective Deirdre O'Callaghan and Detective Sergeant Peter Woods, who is now retired. michaelofarrell@protonmail.com