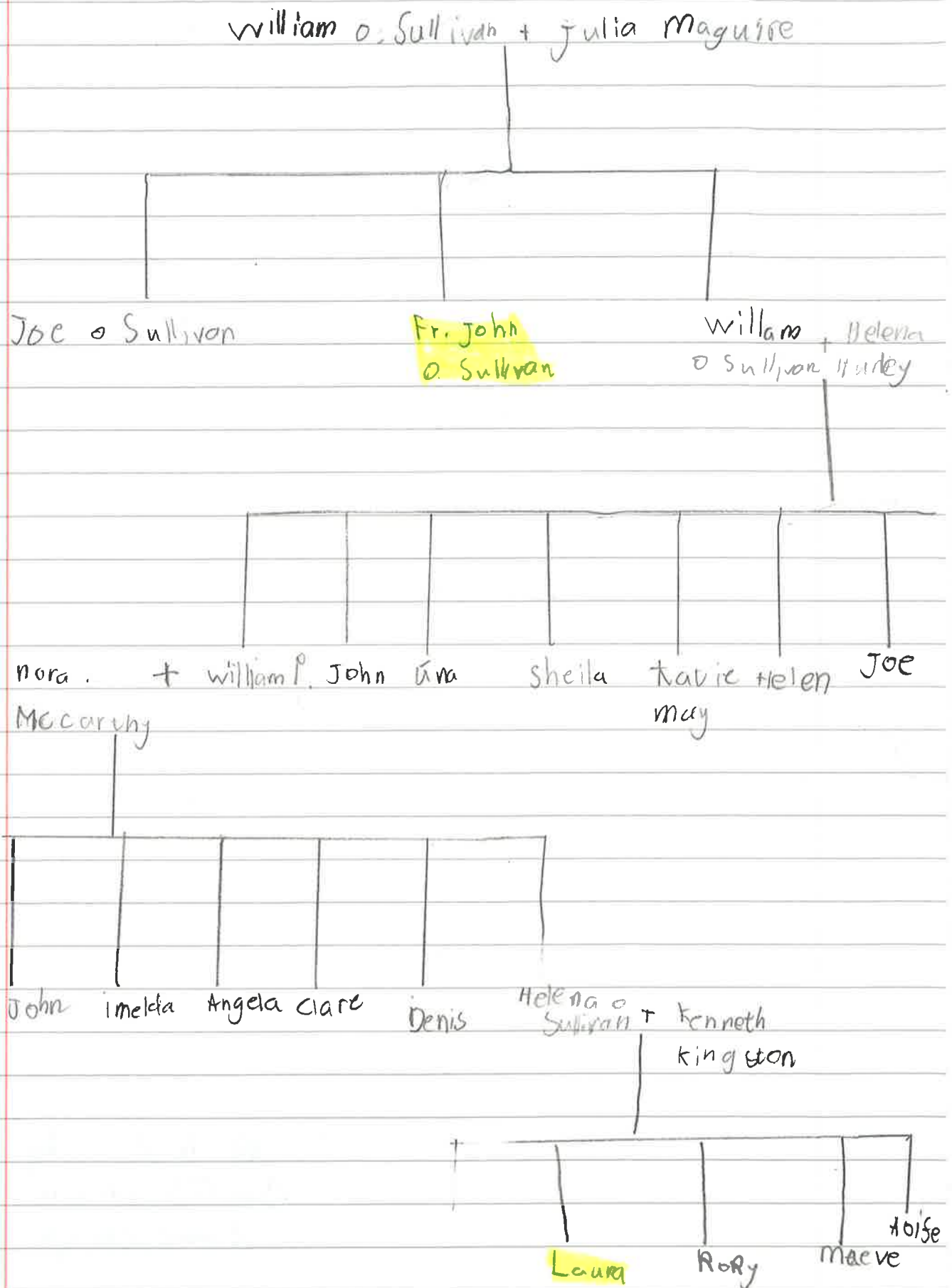


This family tree shows the connection between
fr. John O Sullivan and me.



My Family 1916-1923

My ancestors were all farmers from West Cork. They worked very hard and did everything by hand. They had no tractors, electricity or running water. They were Catholics and they travelled in all weathers to mass each Sunday by pony and trap.

They prayed at home too: the Angelus and the rosary

My great grand uncle John Vincent O'Sullivan was born in 1901 in Cappabeg Ballydehob. He was interested in becoming a priest so he was sent to Farrinfern's College in Cork city then he studied to be a priest in Waterford. He was ordained at the University of Innsbruck Austria in 1927. He was 29 years a priest in the missions and parishes of Florida USA

His family were very proud of him.

My granddad can remember the excitement when his uncle the priest came home to visit his family. Sadly he died aged 55 in Florida and he is buried there. His family kept this old newspaper article which came from Florida.

Laura Kingston.

Father O'Sullivan was the son of William O'Sullivan and Julia Maguire O'Sullivan. He was born on June 1, 1901, at Cappabeg, Ballydehob, County Cork, Ireland.

He studied philosophy and a year of theology at St. John's College, Waterford, Ireland. Upon the completion of his studies of theology at the University of Innsbruck, Austria, he was ordained there April 3, 1927.

For many years, Father O'Sullivan was the priest in charge of the parish at Gainesville. He went to St. Patrick's there as a young priest in 1928 and spent 14 years ministering to the parishioners.

He also had served in other appointments at Ocala, Fernandina and St. Joseph's, St. Petersburg.

He was a former administrator of St. Clement's parish, Plant City, and former pastor of St. Joseph's parish, Stuart, and Holy Spirit parish, Lake Wales.



Father John Vincent O'Sullivan