

REVEALS HOW CULT CHURCH PREYED ON ILL PENSIONER

money to the House robbed an old man'

called Noel, the accountant at the House of Prayer, as dad had given him €2,000 for his funeral.

"I had to ring a good few times before I got him and he laughed it off saying dad was 'daydreaming', and that he had given them a small donation at the very beginning and nothing else."

Noel Guinan is in fact Christina Gallagher's 'manager' and is secretary of the parent company, Our Lady Queen of Peace House of Prayer Ltd.

The former Dublin taxi company boss is a close confidante of Gallagher, often accompanying her and can be seen sitting next to her in our party photograph.

Bernadette's story was confirmed to us last night by Michael McCrory, Gallagher's former right-hand man, who has turned completely against the so-called visionary.

The one-time devoted follower admitted it was he who encouraged Tim McCrory

to give the cash because he believed so strongly in Gallagher's cause at the time.

McCrory used to be Gallagher's biggest defender and was regularly wheeled out to defend her.

But he turned against her more than a year ago after discovering the extent of her secret wealth when she had no visible means of income. Gallagher has refused to say where the cash came from.

Astonishing

Mike McCrory has given the *Sunday World* an astonishing glimpse of life in the House of Prayer where Christina Gallagher rules with a rod of iron.

Anyone who crosses her, including loyal followers who may have worked there for years, are thrown out immediately.

Amazingly, he and other former followers claim Gallagher is not even spiritual. She only makes occasional visits to the House of Prayer herself and never does

the all-night vigils she expects her followers to make.

On one occasion she told her followers she was too exhausted "battling the devil" when in fact she was lying in bed eating dinner while watching TV. Another time her followers thought she was "in ecstasy" when they saw her staggering when in fact she was drunk, according to one former devotee.

Meanwhile, Christina Gallagher has promised that Our Lady will give a supernatural sign at the House of Prayer on April 26, when a novena against the "current attacks on her" comes to an end.

But former followers like Mike McCrory are not impressed. "The last time she promised something big was in July 2006. It turned out to be a miserable day and she said Our Lady told her the mist was a blessing from heaven."

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