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Teens Indicted for Ambushing, Shooting at Priest

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CLEVELAND – Prosecutor Michael C. O'Malley announced that a Cuyahoga County Grand Jury has indicted three defendants involved in the attempted murder of a priest at St. Mary's Church in Cleveland.

Amin Walker and Jaylen Miller, both 16, along with Kenitra Robinson, 18, have been charged with Attempted Murder, Felonious Assault, Aggravated Robbery, Kidnapping, Receiving Stolen Property, Carrying a Concealed Weapon, and Improperly Handling Firearms in a Motor Vehicle.

On December 12, 2017, the 65-year-old priest was gathering eggs from the church's chicken coop when he was followed by Walker and Miller. The males then turned around and hid in the bushes. As the priest returned from the coop, the males ambushed him and demanded the eggs.

Walker and Miller chased the priest as he ran away. Just as the priest lost his footing and fell down, they fired multiple shots at him. The bullets did not strike the priest.

The males then jumped into a waiting van, which was stolen, and left the scene. Robinson, a 15-year-old female, and another 16-year-old male were in the van.

Walker and Miller were bound over from juvenile court. "When young people terrorize our citizens and commit crimes with firearms, they will go through the adult system," said Prosecutor O'Malley. "This attempted murder shook the foundation of our county and they will be held accountable."

The 15-year-old female and 16-year-old male are being held at the Juvenile Justice Center.

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