

## Slain priest was 'target' of robbery

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The Gatineau teenager who witnessed the murder of parish priest Roger Rinfret yesterday said the popular clergyman was the victim of a premeditated robbery.

The teenager said he and the accused killer had planned the robbery before they left Hull for Ottawa and Major's Hill Park where they met the priest.

The 17-year-old, who is the key witness in the murder case said he and accused murderer Alain McMurtie, were "out to rob someone, maybe beat someone and make some money" the night that Rinfret was stabbed to death.

### Not interested in orgy

The juvenile said that he agreed to accompany the priest to the Ritz Motel in Gatineau for \$20 in sexual favors and all the time intended to "just steal and get some money out of it."

"I wasn't interested in an orgy . . . it wasn't a question of doing that," the juvenile said at the second day of the preliminary hearing into the charge against McMurtie, 20, of Hull.

"I just wanted to make some money and that's why I got in the man's car. I knew what I was doing," said the youth, who testified that he understood Rinfret believed the pair were

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