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# Fr. Bernard Steiner

Fr. Steiner was ordained in February 1961, for the Diocese of New Ulm.

Fr. Steiner's assignment history:

- Associate, St. Raphael, Springfield and assistance at St. Thomas, Sanborn, 1961-1962
- Associate, Holy Redeemer, Marshall, 1962-1963
- Associate, Holy Rosary, North Mankato, 1963-1965
- Pastor, St. James, Dawson and the mission of St. Isidore, Clarkfield, 1965-1969
- Pastor, St. Gregory, Lafayette and St. Francis de Sales, Winthrop, 1969-1970
- Pastor, St. John, Appleton and the mission of St. Joseph, Holloway, 1970-1971
- Pastor, St. Paul, Comfrey, 1971-1977
- Pastor, St. Michael, Madison, 1977-1981
- Pastor of St. James, Dawson, 1978-1981
- Administrator, St. Andrew, Granite Falls, 1981-1982
- Pastor, St. Clara, Clara City, 1982-1987
- Administrator, Sacred Heart, Raymond, 1982-1987
- Co-pastor, Benson Area Parishes (Benson, Clontarf, Danvers, and DeGraff), 1987-1993
- Pastor Sacred Heart, Murdock, 1987-1993
- Pastor and/or sacramental minister, St. Mathias, Wanda, St. Thomas, Sanborn, and St. Joseph, Lamberton, 1993-1998
- Pastor and/or sacramental minister, St. Brendan, Green Isle, St. John-Assumption, Faxon Township, St. Thomas, Jessenland, and St. Joseph, Henderson, 1998-2005

Fr. Steiner retired from assigned ministry in 2005. In 2016, the Diocese of New Ulm removed him from all public ministry following notification of a civil claim made against him stemming from his time as pastor at the Church of St. Paul in Comfrey in the 1970s. His removal from ministry was publicized in 2016. No other claimants have come forward with reports against him.

Fr. Bernard Steiner has returned to limited ministry based on the recommendation of the independent Diocesan Review Board following a completed investigation by police that found no substantial credible evidence to support the abuse allegation made against him.

Fr. Steiner is allowed to concelebrate Mass and administer the Anointing of the Sick in the presence of other members of the clergy.



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## About

The Diocese of New Ulm is committed to preventing abuse (<https://www.dnu.org/safeenvironment/>), immediately reporting (<https://www.dnu.org/report-abuse/>) any allegations of abuse in Church ministry to law enforcement, and helping victims and survivors in their journey toward healing.

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