Credibly Accused

The following clergy have had credible allegations of engaging in or perpetrating child sexual abuse while working in or associated with the Diocese of Boise since the 1950s. Eight priests and one deacon are from the Diocese of Boise. It is estimated that since 1950, there have more than 300 priests who have served in the Diocese.

In addition to priests affiliated with the Diocese of Boise, the list also includes priests from other dioceses or religious orders who at one time were assigned here. These priests from outside our Diocese total eight, dating back to the 1960s. The Diocese of Boise does not have control over the final disposition of cases regarding religious order priests or priests from outside the Diocese. Per diocesan policy, these cases were presented to the Diocesan Review Board for Sexual Abuse of Minors beginning in 2002. Those credibly accused were removed from ministry if alive when the incidents were reported. Law enforcement was informed in cases where the alleged perpetrator was known to be alive.

The years listed under “Incident” are believed to be at or near the time the incident or incidents were believed to have occurred. The years listed under “Reported” is the time when the incidents were first reported to the Diocese.

Credibly Accused Diocese of Boise Clergy 1950s-to-current

Simmons, Donald (Deceased)
Incidents, 1950, '56
Reported, 2002
Assignment location(s) at time of incident(s): St. John’s Cathedral, Boise; St. Alphonsus, Wallace

King, Colman (Deceased)
Incident, 1960’s
Reported, 1993
Assignment location(s) at time of incident(s): St. Rita’s, Kellogg.

Later, Morris (Deceased)
Incidents, 1960s and 70s
Reported, 2003
Assignment location(s) at time of incident(s): St. Bernard’s, Blackfoot; Blessed Sacrament, Aberdeen; St. Mark’s, Boise; St. Alphonsus Hospital, Boise

Kuiper, Michael (Deceased)
Incident(s), 1974-1975
Reported, 1994
Assignment location(s) at time of incident(s): Sacred Heart, Boise; St. Edward’s, Twin Falls.

Worsley, James
Incidents, 1976-1981
Reported, 1992
Left Idaho, laicized. Diocese to where he relocated was informed.
Assignment location(s) at time of incident(s): St. Mary’s, Caldwell; St. Paul’s Student Center, Boise; St. Augustine’s Student Center, Moscow.
Garcia, Ruben
Incardinated in Boise originally. Later incardinated in Diocese of Tijuana, Mexico
Incident, 1980s
Reported, 1991
Imprisoned
Assignment location(s) at time of incident(s): St. Mary’s, Soda Springs; St. Bernard’s, Blackfoot.

Gould, William (Deceased)
Incident, 1981
Reported, 2010.
Assignment location(s) at time of incident(s): Holy Rosary, Idaho Falls.

Howell, Robert “Rap” (Deacon)
Incident, 2002
Possession of Child Pornography
Imprisoned, Laicized
Assignment location(s) at time of incident(s): St. Mary’s, Boise.

Faucher, W. Thomas
Incident, 2018
2018 Convicted of Possession and Distribution of Child Pornography.
Imprisoned. Laicized.
Assignment location(s) at time of incident(s): St. Mary’s, Boise
Credibly Accused Religious Order priests or from another diocese, 1960s to current

Cornelius (McKenna), John
Seminarian, Ordained for Seattle Archdiocese
Reported, 2001
Left Diocese of Boise to be ordained elsewhere in 1970s. Seattle Archdiocese took action.

Meunier, Luke (Deceased)
Diocesan priest from Canada
Incident, 1971
Reported, 1993
Assignment location(s) at time of incident(s): St. John’s Cathedral, Boise.

McSorley, James
Religious Order
Incident, 1972
Reported, 2004
Left Idaho in 1975. His religious order was notified, but his whereabouts are unknown.
Assignment location(s) at time of incident(s): Sacred Heart, Boise; Our Lady of the Lake, McCall.

Schuck, Martin (Deceased)
Diocesan priest from New York state.
Incidents, 1974-76
Reported, 2003
Assignment location(s) at time of incident(s): St. Catherine’s, Kamiah.

Baltazar, Carmelo Melchior (Mel)
Philippine Diocese of Metolos
Incidents, Late 1970s and 1985
Reported, 1985
Imprisoned, 1985
Assignment location(s) at time of incident(s): St. Alphonsus Hospital, Boise.

Connolly, Thomas
Religious Order
Incident, Early 1980s
Reported, 2012
Permanently removed from ministry, resides in another state. Incidents were reported to his home
diocese and Religious Order.
Assignment location(s) at time of incident(s): Sacred Heart Mission, DeSmet.
O’Grady, Peter (Deceased)
Religious Order
Incidents, 1984 and 1985
Reported to Diocese and Order, 2003
Assignment location(s) at time of incident(s): Sacred Heart, Boise

Arockiam, Francis
Religious Order in India, Secular Institute of Our Lady
Incident, 1996
Reported, 1996
Expelled from Diocese back to India.
Assignment location(s) at time of incident(s): St. Mary Immaculate, St. Maries.