Diocesan Priests with Substantiated Allegations of the Sexual Abuse of a Minor Against Them

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About this list

This list comprises the names of incardinated priests of the Diocese of Green Bay against whom there is one or more substantiated allegations of sexual abuse of a minor. Incardinated priests are those who were ordained for service within the Diocese of Green Bay or who requested a transfer into the Diocese after their ordination elsewhere. This list does not contain priests ordained for service within a religious order.

Since 1906, the ordination date of the priest with the earliest documented allegation of sexual abuse of a minor, a total of 630 ordained priests have served within the Diocese of Green Bay. Of that number, 48* priests have had a substantiated (defined below) allegation of the sexual abuse of a minor made against them. Additionally, there are 16 priests and 2 deacons accused of the sexual abuse of a minor who, after investigation, and review by the Independent Review Board, were either exonerated or the allegation against them unsubstantiated.

The Diocese of Green Bay follows the directives of the 2002 Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People written by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops. All allegations received by the Diocese are taken seriously and investigated as thoroughly as possible. Additionally, this work is reviewed and confirmed by the work of an Independent Review Board. All allegations categorized substantiated are immediately reported to the District Attorney or other law enforcement of the county where the alleged abuse had taken place. An allegation is categorized to be “substantiated” when, based upon the facts and circumstances of the case, there is a reasonable cause to suspect that the sexual abuse of a minor has occurred. This is comprised, in part, of the certainty of the accuser that the abuse took place, that the allegations is internally consistent regarding a time, place and date, and that other facts surrounding the accuser’s claims appear to be accurate. Any substantiated allegation of the sexual abuse of a minor which is subsequently proven in a civil or canonical forum leads to the
priest’s permanent removal from public ministry and possible criminal prosecution. Additional penalties in church law are imposed upon that priest up to and including dismissal from the priesthood. **Currently there are no known priests serving in active ministry in the Diocese of Green Bay who have had a substantiated allegation of the sexual abuse of a minor against them.**

The following list of priests is based upon investigations that have been completed. The results of these investigations were confirmed through the services of the investigative firm of Defenbaugh and Associates, Inc. which was given full and complete access to all diocesan files. The Independent Review Board, after receiving and reviewing their report, recommended to the Bishop that the list be published. **The independent work of Defenbaugh and Associates, Inc. and the Independent Review Board is consistent with the internal findings of the Diocese regarding the number of priests who have abused.**

It is important to note that inclusion on this list does not, by itself, mean that the accused priest has been found guilty of a crime or liable for any civil claim. In some, but not all cases an accused priest was tried and found guilty or liable by civil authorities. In every case, however, the Diocese conducted an investigation based upon church law which often resulted in the priest being permanently removed from ministry.

Many of the substantiated allegations were made decades after the alleged abuse took place, making it difficult to conduct a complete civil or church investigation. Also, because most of the substantiated allegations were made many years after the civil statute of limitations had passed, the civil authorities were unable to fully investigate the matter or bring charges. Some of these allegations were made after the accused priest had died and therefore the priest did not have the opportunity to respond to the allegation.

**Update as of May 23, 2019:**

*Since the initial release of the disclosure list of diocesan clergy with a substantiated allegation of sexual abuse of a minor on Jan. 17, 2019, further updates were made to the list on Apr. 4, 2019 after more victims came forward. An additional diocesan priest with a substantiated allegation of sexual abuse of a minor has been identified, and the disclosure list was updated on May 23, 2019.*
**Any future updates to the disclosure list will be made following the recommendation of the Independent Review Board and the notification of the District Attorney in the county where the abuse was alleged. These updates will be reflected below, noting next to the priest’s name, the date information was updated.**
1. Priests of the Diocese of Green Bay with a substantiated allegation of the sexual abuse of a minor.

This section contains the names of the thirty-seven priests of the Diocese of Green Bay during the past 112 years against whom a substantiated allegation of sexual abuse of a minor was received and investigated while the priest was alive or against whom multiple substantiated allegations were received and investigated after the priest had died. While an allegation received after a priest is deceased does not provide the opportunity for the priest to respond, multiple allegations against him may indicate a corroborative pattern of abuse which supports the conclusion of a substantiated allegation. Each substantiated allegation was received and investigated by the Diocese of Green Bay and then reviewed and confirmed by the Diocesan Independent Review Board. All substantiated allegations were reported to the District Attorney of the county where the alleged abuse had taken place whether the priest was living or deceased.

Donald Becker
Dennis Bouche
David Boyea
Stanley Browne
Donald Buzanowski
Michael Carroll
John Conrad
August Dusold
William Eberhardy
Simeon Engl
John Feeney
Bernard Geimer
Daniel Gilsdorf
Ralph Hermsen
Richard Heyman
Philip Hoffmann
LeRoy Hogan
William Kiernan (Updated 4/4/19)
Jerome Koerner
John Koprowski
Nicholas Langenfeld
Clarence Leitermann (Updated 4/4/19)
Norbert Rank (Updated 4/4/19)
Francis Reinke
Kenneth Rodgers
Donald Rose (Updated 4/4/19)
Tito Sammut
Eugene Schmidt
Ronald Schneider
Earl Schuh
Thomas Stocker (Updated 4/4/19)
Richard Thomas
Robert Thompson
Gerald Van Nuland (Updated 4/4/19)
Donald Becker

Year of Ordination
1971

Status

Number of Substantiated Allegations
Multiple

Assignments
St. Bernard, Green Bay (1971-1972)
St. John Nepomucene, Little Chute (1972-1975)
St. Agnes Parish, Green Bay (1975-1978)
St. Patrick, Stiles and St. Louis, Abrams (1985-1987)

Approximate Dates Abuse Occurred
1972-1978
Dennis Bouche

Year of Ordination
1945

Status
Deceased in 1995

Number of Substantiated Allegations
Single

Assignments
St. Luke, Two Rivers (1945-1946)
St. John the Baptist, Coleman (1946-1949)
St. Vincent De Paul, Oshkosh (1949-1950)
Assistant at Tigerton, Marion, and Hollandtown (1950-1951)
St. Paul, Manitowoc (1951-1956)
St. Peter, Oconto (1956-1965)
St. John the Baptist, Coleman (1965-1966)
Leave of Absence (1966-1969)
Sacred Heart, Shawano (1969-1970)
Sacred Heart, Spruce (1970-1971)
Leave of Absence (1974)

Approximate Dates Abuse Occurred
1955-1956
David Boyea

Year of Ordination
1973

Status

Number of Substantiated Allegations
Multiple

Assignments

Approximate Dates Abuse Occurred
1977-1985
Stanley Browne

Year of Ordination
1981

Status

Number of Substantiated Allegations
Single

Assignments
SS. Peter and Paul, Green Bay (1981-1984)
Sacred Heart, Appleton (1984-1986)
St. Francis Xavier in Brussels and St. Mary in Namur (1986-1989)
St. Francis, Hollandtown (1996-2000)

Approximate Dates Abuse Occurred
1982-2000
Donald Buzanowski

Year of Ordination
1968

Status

Number of Substantiated Allegations
Multiple

Assignments
St. Jude, Green Bay (1974-1975)
St. Patrick, Green Bay (1975-1982)
St. Louis, Dyckesville (1982-1983)
Corpus Christi, Sturgeon Bay (1983-1987)

Approximate Dates Abuse Occurred
1979-1988
Michael Carroll

Year of Ordination
1970

Status
Placed on leave in 2002. After two canonical trials found him guilty of the sexual abuse of a minor, ordered to live a life of prayer and penance in 2016.

Number of Substantiated Allegations
Multiple

Assignments
Lourdes High School, Oshkosh (1970-1976)
Catholic Central High School, Marinette (1976-1979)
St. Bernard Parish, Green Bay (1979)
Director of Diocesan Youth Program (1979-1987)
St. Mary High School, Neenah (1987-1991)

Approximate Dates Abuse Occurred
1978-1985
John Conrad

Year of Ordination
1963

Status

Number of Substantiated Allegations
Single

Assignments
St. Mary, Manitowoc (1963-1967)
St. Jude, Green Bay (1967-1968)
St. Mary Central High School, Neenah (1968-1970)
Roncalli High School (1970-1979)
Immaculate Conception, Clarks Mills (1979-2002)

Approximate Dates Abuse Occurred
1970-1974
**Arthur Danks**

**Year of Ordination**
1943

**Status**
Deceased in 2007

**Number of Substantiated Allegations**
Single

*A single substantiated allegation of the sexual abuse of a minor was received after this priest's death. While any allegation received is investigated to the extent possible, an allegation received after a priest is deceased does not provide the opportunity for him to respond.*

**Assignments**
- St. Boniface, De Pere (1943-1945)
- St. Peter, Oshkosh (1945-1948)
- Holy Cross, Kaukauna (1948-1949)
- Chaplain of Winnebago Mental Hospital (1949-1956)
- St. Casimir, Northeim (1956-1959)
- St. Charles, Lena (1959-1966)

**Approximate Dates Abuse Occurred**
1966-1967
August Dusold

Year of Ordination
1906

Status
Deceased in 1960

Number of Substantiated Allegations
Multiple

Assignments
St. Francis Xavier Cathedral, Green Bay (1906-1907)
Holy Cross, Kaukauna (1907-1908)
Immaculate Conception, Glenmore (1908-1912)
St. James, Cooperstown (1912-1922)
St. Mary Magdalene, Waupaca (1922-1923)
Pastoral Work in the Archdiocese of Milwaukee (1923-1947)
Langlade Memorial Hospital (1947-1951)

Approximate Dates Abuse Occurred
Before 1924; 1947
William Eberhardy

Year of Ordination
1977

Status

Number of Substantiated Allegations
Multiple

Assignments
Ordained for the Society of Divine Savior (Salvatorians) in 1977
St. Charles, Charlesburg (1978-1983)
Roncalli High School, Manitowoc (1983-1986)
St. Phillip, Green Bay (1986-1988)
Incardinated into the Diocese of Green Bay in 1989
Holy Rosary and St. Ann, New Holstein and St. Anna (1992)

Approximate Dates Abuse Occurred
1983-1986
Simeon Engl

Year of Ordination
1930

Status
Deceased in 1989

Number of Substantiated Allegations
Multiple

Assignments
St. Patrick, Green Bay (1930-1931)
St. Stephen, Stevens Point (1931-1933)
St. Mary, De Pere (1933-1934)
St. Mary, Hilbert (1934)
Sacred Heart, Aurora (1934-1935)
St. Leonard, Laona (1935-1947)
Langlade Memorial Hospital Chaplain (1947-1948)
Holy Trinity, Jericho (1948-1950)
Leave of Absence (1950-1952)
St. Sebastian, Isaar (1952-1953)
St. Michael, Suring (1953-1954)
Leave of Absence (1954-1961)
Incardinated into the Diocese of San Diego (1961)

Approximate Dates Abuse Occurred
1950
John Feeney

Year of Ordination
1952

Status
Laicized in 2005

Number of Substantiated Allegations
Multiple

Assignments
St. Joseph, Green Bay (1952-1954)
Holy Rosary, Kewaunee (1954)
St. Joseph, Sturgeon Bay (1954-1955)
St. Rose, Clintonville (1955-1956)
St. Peter, Oshkosh (1956-1958)
Holy Redeemer, Two Rivers (1958-1961)
St. Therese, Appleton (1961-1963)
St. Mary, Chilton (1963-1965)
Immaculate Conception, Clarks Mills (1965)
SS. Edward and Isidore, Flintville (1965-1966)
St. Anne, Francis Creek (1966)
St. Mary, Maplewood (1966)
St. Joseph, Wautoma (1966)
Holy Family, Elcho (1966-1969)
St. Francis Xavier, De Pere (1969-1973)
St. Nicholas, Freedom (1976-1979)
St. Mary, Stockbridge (1979-1983)
Leave of Absence (1983-1990)

Approximate Dates Abuse Occurred
1961-1982
Bernard Geimer

Year of Ordination
1950

Status
Deceased in 1987

Number of Substantiated Allegations
Multiple

Assignments
Sacred Heart, Shawano (1950-1958)
St. Luke Parish, Two Rivers (1960-1962)
St. Joseph, Phlox (1962-1968)
SS. Peter and Paul, Institute (1968-1972)
St. Hyacinth, Antigo (1972-1978)
St. Wendel, Cleveland (1978-1986)
Immaculate Conception, Oneida (1986-1987)

Approximate Dates Abuse Occurred
1955; 1972-1974
Daniel Gilsdorf

**Year of Ordination**
1960

**Status**

**Number of Substantiated Allegations**
Single

**Assignments**
- St. Anthony, Oconto Falls (1960)
- Sacred Heart, Manitowoc (1963-1970)
- St. Therese, Appleton (1986-2002)

**Approximate Dates Abuse Occurred**
1973-1989
Ralph Hermsen

**Year of Ordination**
1954

**Status**
Deceased in 1993

**Number of Substantiated Allegations**
Multiple

**Assignments**
- Holy Rosary, New Holstein (1954)
- SS. Peter and Paul Parish, Green Bay (1954-1957)
- Diocese Apostolate (1957-1965)
- Holy Rosary, New Holstein (1972-1987)
- Nativity of Mary, Tisch Mills (1987-1992)
- Our Lady Queen of Peace, Humboldt (1992-1993)

**Approximate Dates Abuse Occurred**
1962-1963; 1984
Richard Heymen

Year of Ordination
1956

Status
After a canonical process, ordered to live a life of prayer and penance by the CDF (Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith) in 2008.

Number of Substantiated Allegations
Multiple

Assignments
St. Mary Magdalene, Waupaca (1956)
St. Paul, Manitowoc (1956-1971)

Approximate Dates Abuse Occurred
1958-1961
Rudolph J. Hodik

Year of Ordination
1924

Status
Deceased in 1974

Number of Substantiated Allegations
Single

A single substantiated allegation of the sexual abuse of a minor was received after this priest's death. While any allegation received is investigated to the extent possible, an allegation received after a priest is deceased does not provide the opportunity for him to respond.

Assignments
St. Mary, Peshtigo (1924)
St. Joseph, Norman (1924-1928)
Nativity of the Blessed Virgin, Tisch Mills (1928-1935)
Holy Trinity, Casco (1935-1970)

Approximate Dates Abuse Occurred
1950s
Philip Hoffmann

Year of Ordination
1964

Status

Number of Substantiated Allegations
Multiple

Assignments
St. Lawrence, Navarino, Sacred Heart, Manawa, St. Rose Clintonville, St. Francis Xavier Cathedral, Green Bay (1964)
St. Joseph, Oconto (1964-1967)
St. Patrick, Green Bay (1967)
St. Joseph, Green Bay (1969)
St. Francis Xavier, De Pere (1969)
Director of Diocesan Housing (1969-1971)
St. Francis Xavier Cathedral (1971-1972)
St. Peter, Oconto (1972-1976)
St. Paul, Manitowoc (1976-1985)
Holy Cross, Kaukauna (1985-1989)
St. Patrick, Stiles and St. Louis, Abrams (1989)
Diocesan Marriage Tribunal (1989-2002)

Approximate Dates Abuse Occurred
1977-1978
LeRoy Hogan

Year of Ordination
1957

Status

Number of Substantiated Allegations
Multiple

Assignments
St. John Nepomucene, Little Chute (1957-1970)
St. Mary Central High School, Neenah (1970-1971)
Xavier High School, Appleton (1971-1972)
Further Studies at UW Oshoksh (1972-1973)
Abbot Pennings High School, De Pere (1973-1979)
St. Edward Parish, Mackville (1979-1990)
St. Patrick, Askeaton (1990-1993)

Approximate Dates Abuse Occurred
1982-1992
George Kiefer

Year of Ordination
1932

Status
Deceased in 1992

Number of Substantiated Allegations
Single

A single substantiated allegation of the sexual abuse of a minor was received after this priest's death. While any allegation received is investigated to the extent possible, an allegation received after a priest is deceased does not provide the opportunity for him to respond.

Assignments
St. Francis Xavier Cathedral, Green Bay (1932-1933)
Holy Cross, Kaukauna (1933-1938)
St. Joseph, Crandon (1938-1944)
St. Joseph, Walsh (1944)
Assistant at Guardian Angels Boarding School in Oneida (1944-1950)
Immaculate Conception, Glenmore (1950-1953)
St. John, St. John (1953)
St. Peter and Paul, Kiel (1953-1971)

Approximate Dates Abuse Occurred
1969-1971
William Kiernan

Year of Ordination
1921

Status
Deceased in 1967

Number of Substantiated Allegations
Multiple

Assignments
St. Stephen, Stevens Point (1921-1924)
St. Mary, Appleton (1924-1926)
Director of Catholic Charities (1926-1932)
Immaculate Conception, Glenmore (1927-1932)
Annunciation, Green Bay (1932-1963)
St. Sebastian, Isaar (1963-1967)

Approximate Dates Abuse Occurred
1950s
Jerome Koerner

Year of Ordination
1960

Status

Number of Substantiated Allegations
Single

Assignments
St. Jude, Green Bay (1960)
Holy Cross, Kaukauna (1960-1965)
St. Margaret Mary, Neenah (1965-1967)
Nativity, Green Bay (1967-1972)

Approximate Dates Abuse Occurred
1960-1967
John Koprowski

Year of Ordination
1965

Status
Resigned from the priesthood in 1976

Number of Substantiated Allegations
Single

Assignments
St. Patrick (1965)
St. Mary, Manitowoc (1965-1969)
Roncalli High School, Manitowoc (1969-1976)

Approximate Dates Abuse Occurred
1970s
Nicholas Langenfeld

Year of Ordination
1926

Status
Deceased in 1994

Number of Substantiated Allegations
Single

Assignments
St. Mary, Menasha (1926-1929)
Further studies and academic work at Fordham University (1929-1994)

Approximate Dates Abuse Occurred
1940s
Clarence Leitermann

Year of Ordination
1934

Status
Deceased in 1995

Number of Substantiated Allegations
Multiple

Assignments
St. John Nepomucene, Little Chute (1934-1937)
St. Mary, Oshkosh (1937-1940)
St. Luke, Two Rivers (1940-1941)
St. Boniface, De Pere (1941-1943)
St. Patrick, Green Bay (1943-1944)
St. Joan of Arc, Goodman (1944-1947)
St. Patrick, Lebanon (1960-1969)

Approximate Dates Abuse Occurred
1947; 1950s; 1960s
Lawrence Loerke

Year of Ordination
1923

Status
Deceased in 1973

Number of Substantiated Allegations
Single

A single substantiated allegation of the sexual abuse of a minor was received after this priest's death. While any allegation received is investigated to the extent possible, an allegation received after a priest is deceased does not provide the opportunity for him to respond.

Assignments
St. John, Antigo (1923-1925)
Sacred Heart, Oshkosh (1925-1930)
Immaculate Conception, Glenmore (1930-1932)
St. Mary, Black Creek (1932-1938)
Mercy Medical Center chaplain, Oshkosh (1938-1939)
St. Sebastian, Isaar (1939-1941)
Immaculate Conception, Clarks Mills (1941-1945)
St. Mary, Greenville (1945-1950)
Sacred Heart, Shawano (1950)
St. Wendel, Cleveland (1950-1951)
St. Mary, Maplewood (1951-1959)
St. Ann, St. Anna (1959)
St. Mary Hospital, Kewaunee chaplain (1959)
St. Philomena, Birnamwood (1960)
St. Mary Hospital, Kewaunee chaplain (1960-1961)
St. Mary, Leopolis (1961-1969)

Approximate Dates Abuse Occurred
1950
Florian Milbauer

Year of Ordination
1950

Status
Deceased in 1969

Number of Substantiated Allegations
Single

A single substantiated allegation of the sexual abuse of a minor was received after this priest's death. While any allegation received is investigated to the extent possible, an allegation received after a priest is deceased does not provide the opportunity for him to respond.

Assignments
St. Joseph, Wautoma (1950)
Holy Cross, Kaukauna (1950-1951)
St. Vincent De Paul (1951-1958)
St. Therese, Appleton (1958-1961)
Alexian Brothers Home (1961-1963)
Holy Family, Elcho (1963-1966)
St. Denis, Shiocton (1966-1969)

Approximate Dates Abuse Occurred
1966-1969
Glen Ochs

**Year of Ordination**
1948

**Status**

**Number of Substantiated Allegations**
Single

A single substantiated allegation of the sexual abuse of a minor was received after this priest's death. While any allegation received is investigated to the extent possible, an allegation received after a priest is deceased does not provide the opportunity for him to respond.

**Assignments**
- St. Anthony, Marinette (1948)
- Sacred Heart, Oshkosh (1948-1951)
- St. Patrick, Menasha (1951)
- St. Joseph, Sturgeon Bay (1951-1954)
- St. Therese, Appleton (1956-1957)
- St. Patrick, Green Bay (1957-1959)
- St. Matthew, Green Bay (1959-1960)
- Sacred Heart, Aurora (1960-1968)
- St. Anthony, Marinette (1968-1970)

**Approximate Dates Abuse Occurred**
1958
Fridolin Olschowski

Year of Ordination
1949

Status
Deceased in 1991

Number of Substantiated Allegations
Single

A single substantiated allegation of the sexual abuse of a minor was received after this priest's death. While any allegation received is investigated to the extent possible, an allegation received after a priest is deceased does not provide the opportunity for him to respond.

Assignments
Priestly work in Germany (1949-1951)
St. Francis Solanus, Gresham (1951-1952)
St. Phillip, Green Bay (1952)
St. Joseph, Wautoma (1952)
SS. Peter and Paul, Kiel (1952-1953)
St. Patrick, Maple Grove (1953-1954)
Holy Name, Kimberly (1954-1955)
St. Joseph, Marinette (1955-1959)
Holy Rosary, New Holstein (1959-1961)
St. Peter, Oshkosh (1961-1965)
St. Joseph, Walsh (1965-1973)
Sacred Heart, Spruce (1973-1977)

Approximate Dates Abuse Occurred
1952
Norbert Rank

Year of Ordination
1930

Status
Deceased in 1983

Number of Substantiated Allegations
Multiple

Assignments
St. Boniface, De Pere (1930-1932)
St. Joseph, Green Bay (1932)
Sick leave (1932-1933)
St. Elizabeth Hospital Chaplain, Appleton (1933-1935)
St. John the Evangelist, Green Bay (1935-1937)
Immaculate Conception, Florence (1937-1942)
Sacred Heart, Manawa (1942-1948)
St. Matthew, Green Bay (1948-1972)

Approximate Dates Abuse Occurred
1950
Elroy Reimer

Year of Ordination
1957

Status
Deceased in 2000

Number of Substantiated Allegations
Single

A single substantiated allegation of the sexual abuse of a minor was received after this priest's death. While any allegation received is investigated to the extent possible, an allegation received after a priest is deceased does not provide the opportunity for him to respond.

Assignments
SS. Peter and Paul, Green Bay (1957-1958)
St. John, Antigo (1958-1966)
Sacred Heart, Appleton (1966-1968)
Holy Angels, Darboy (1984-1992)

Approximate Dates Abuse Occurred
1958-1960
Francis Reinke

Year of Ordination
1957

Status

Number of Substantiated Allegations
Single

Assignments
St. Therese, Appleton (1957-1958)
St. Vincent de Paul, Oshkosh (1958-1960)
Our Lady of Lourdes, Marinette (1960-1968)
St. James, White Lake (1968-1972)
SS. Peter and Paul, Institute (1972-1986)
St. Mark, Redgranite and Sacred Heart, Poy Sippi (1994-2001)

Approximate Dates Abuse Occurred
1962-1963
Kenneth Rodgers

Year of Ordination
1943

Status
Deceased in 2005

Number of Substantiated Allegations
Single

Assignments
Holy Innocents, Manitowoc (1944-1952)
St. Matthew, Green Bay (1952-1954)
St. Mary, Kaukauna (1954-1955)
St. Francis Xavier Cathedral (1955-1956)
St. Patrick, Green Bay (1956-1957)
Our Lady Queen of Peace, Humboldt (1957-1958)
St. Patrick, Askeaton (1963-1968)
Holy Martyrs of Gorcum, Green Bay (1968-1970)
Holy Trinity, Jericho (1970-1971)
St. John Cantius, Sobieski (1971-retirement)

Approximate Dates Abuse Occurred
1959-1960
Donald Rose

Year of Ordination
1953

Status

Number of Substantiated Allegations
Single

Assignments
St. Boniface, Manitowoc (1953-1960)
Holy Family Hospital, Manitowoc (1960-1961)
St. Elizabeth Hospital, Appleton (1961-1963)
St. Anthony, Tigerton (1963-1964)
St. Mary Hospital, Kewaunee (1964-1965)
Mission work in the Dominican Republic (1965-1969)
St. Peter, Oconto (1969-1972)
St. Patrick, Lebanon (1972)
Mission work in Dominican Republic (1972-1979)
St. Hedwig, East Krok and St. Lawrence, Stangelville (1983-1991)
Nativity of Mary, Tisch Mills (1992)

Approximate Dates Abuse Occurred
1962
Francis Rose

Year of Ordination
1939

Status
Deceased in 1983

Number of Substantiated Allegations
Single

A single substantiated allegation of the sexual abuse of a minor was received after this priest's death. While any allegation received is investigated to the extent possible, an allegation received after a priest is deceased does not provide the opportunity for him to respond.

Assignments
Sacred Heart, Shawano (1939-1942)
St. Joseph Orphanage, Green Bay (1942-1947)
St. Denis, Shiocton (1947-1957)
St. Michael, Whitelaw (1957-1965)
St. Mary, Oshkosh (1965-1966)
St. Isidore, Osman (1966-1978)

Approximate Dates Abuse Occurred
1943-1944
Tito Sammut

Year of Ordination
1952

Status

Number of Substantiated Allegations
Multiple

Assignments
Ministry in Malta (1952-1960)
Incardinated into the Diocese of Amarillo, Texas (1960)
Assistant Pastor, Teaching, and Chaplain work in Amarillo Diocese (1960-1979)
Moved to the Diocese of Green Bay and ministered at St. Francis Xavier, De Pere (1979-1983)
Sacred Heart, Appleton (1983-1987)
Incardinated into the Diocese of Green Bay (1988)

Approximate Dates Abuse Occurred
1960s
Eugene Schmidt

Year of Ordination
1956

Status
Deceased in 2005

Number of Substantiated Allegations
Multiple

Assignments
Annunciation, Green Bay (1956-1957)
Sacred Heart Seminary Faculty (1957-1968)
St. Mary, Winneconne (1968-1973)
St. John, Menasha (1973-1974)
St. John the Evangelist, Green Bay (1974-1975)
St. Vincent De Paul, Oshkosh (1975-1990)

Approximate Dates Abuse Occurred
1968-1979
Ronald Schneider

Year of Ordination
1975

Status
After a canonical process, ordered to live a life of prayer and penance.

Number of Substantiated Allegations
Multiple

Assignments
Sacred Heart, Appleton (1975-1984)
St. Margaret Mary, Neenah (1984-1988)
Sacred Heart, Oshkosh (1988-1992)

Approximate Dates Abuse Occurred
1970s
Earl Schuh

Year of Ordination
1943

Status
Deceased in 2005

Number of Substantiated Allegations
Single

Assignments
St. Francis Xavier Cathedral, Green Bay (1943-1948)
St. Anthony, Oconto Falls (1948)
Holy Name, Kimberly (1948-1952)
St. Mary, Oshkosh (1952-1957)
St. Anthony, Tigerton (1957-1960)
Holy Martyrs of Gorcum, Green Bay (1960-1968)
SS. Peter and Paul, Green Bay (1968-1992)

Approximate Dates Abuse Occurred
1970s
Thomas Stocker

Year of Ordination
1963

Status

Number of Substantiated Allegations
Multiple

Assignments
St. Joseph, Green Bay (1963)
St. Boniface, De Pere (1963-1971)
Diocesan Marriage Tribunal (1971-1974)
St. Mary, Greenleaf (1978-1988)
St. James, Cooperstown (1988-1993)

Approximate Dates Abuse Occurred
1960s; 1970s; 1980s
Richard Thomas

Year of Ordination
1966

Status
After a canonical process, ordered to live a life of prayer and penance in 2017.
Laicized in 2018.

Number of Substantiated Allegations
Single

Assignments
St. Mary, Menasha (1966-1967)
Holy Cross, Kaukauna (1967-1972)
St. Mary, Kaukauna (1972-1976)
SS. Peter and Paul, Green Bay (1976-1980)
St. Agnes, Green Bay (1980-1990)
St. Francis Xavier Cathedral, Green Bay (1990-1991)
Immaculate Conception, Oneida (1992-2002)

Approximate Dates Abuse Occurred
2016
Robert Thompson

**Year of Ordination**
1965

**Status**
Deceased in 1999

**Number of Substantiated Allegations**
Single

**Assignments**
- St. Francis Xavier Cathedral, Green Bay (1965-1967)
- Lourdes High School, Oshkosh (1967-1969)
- Newman Center, UW Oshkosh (1969-1978)
- Chaplain to Winnebago Mental Health Institute (1978-1983)
- Leave of Absence (1983-1985)
- St. Mary Hospital, Green Bay (1985-1994)

**Approximate Dates Abuse Occurred**
1970s
Gerald Van Nuland

Year of Ordination
1938

Status
Deceased in 1990

Number of Substantiated Allegations
Multiple

Assignments
St. John Nepomucene, Little Chute (1938-1942)
St. Mary, Chilton (1942-1943)
St. Luke, Two Rivers (1943-1944)
Chaplain in the U.S. Army (1944-1947)
St. Mark, Two Rivers (1947)
St. Francis Xavier Cathedral (1947-1950)
Holy Cross, Kaukauna (1950)
Sacred Heart, Aurora (1950-1957)
St. Denis, Shiocton (1957-1963)
Sacred Heart, Shawano (1963-1967)
St. Anthony, Niagara (1967-1968)
St. Anthony, Tigerton and St. Mary, Marion (1968-1981)

Approximate Dates Abuse Occurred
1963-1970
Alphonse Wagner

Year of Ordination
1944

Status
Deceased in 1974

Number of Substantiated Allegations
Multiple

Assignments
St. Mary, Kaukauna (1944-1947)
St. Vincent de Paul, Oshkosh (1947-1954)
St. Mark, Two Rivers (1954-1963)
St. Patrick, Stiles (1963-1965)
On sick leave and given permission to serve in the Diocese of Davenport (1966-1974)

Approximate Dates Abuse Occurred
1944-1965
Jerome Watry

Year of Ordination
1946

Status
Deceased in 1997

Number of Substantiated Allegations
Single

Assignments
St. Mary, De Pere (1946)
St. Joseph, Oconto (1946-1952)
Sacred Heart, Appleton (1952-1954)
SS. Peter and Paul, Green Bay (1954-1959)
Holy Family, Wittenberg (1959-1965)
St. Wendel, Cleveland (1965-1970)
St. John, Menasha (1970-1990)

Approximate Dates Abuse Occurred
1963
Walter Williams

Year of Ordination
1934

Status
Deceased in 1983

Number of Substantiated Allegations
Single
A single substantiated allegation of the sexual abuse of a minor was received after this priest's death. While any allegation received is investigated to the extent possible, an allegation received after a priest is deceased does not provide the opportunity for him to respond.

Assignments
St. Patrick, Green Bay (1934-1937)
Sacred Heart, Manitowoc (1937-1938)
St. Joseph Orphanage (1938-1942)
St. James, Amherst (1942-1945)
St. James, Cooperstown (1945-1955)
St. John, Oshkosh (1955-1963)
St. John the Evangelist, Green Bay (1963-1969)

Approximate Dates Abuse Occurred
1952
2. Priests of the Diocese of Green Bay with a single substantiated allegation of the sexual abuse of a minor made after the priest’s death.

This section contains the names of ten priests of the Diocese of Green Bay during the past 112 years against whom a single substantiated allegation of the sexual abuse of a minor was received after his death. While any allegation received is investigated to the extent possible, an allegation received after a priest is deceased does not provide the opportunity for him to respond. Each substantiated allegation was received and investigated by the Diocese of Green Bay and then reviewed and confirmed by the Diocesan Independent Review Board. All substantiated allegations were reported to the District Attorney of the county where the alleged abuse had taken place even if the priest was deceased.

Arthur Danks

Raymond Hietpas (Added 4/4/19)

Rudolph J. Hodik

George Kiefer

Lawrence Loerke

Florian Milbauer

Glen Ochs

Fridolin Olschowski

Elroy Reimer

Francis Rose

Steven Scherer (Added 5/23/19)
Arthur Danks

Year of Ordination
1943

Status
Deceased in 2007

Number of Substantiated Allegations
Single

A single substantiated allegation of the sexual abuse of a minor was received after this priest's death. While any allegation received is investigated to the extent possible, an allegation received after a priest is deceased does not provide the opportunity for him to respond.

Assignments
St. Boniface, De Pere (1943-1945)
St. Peter, Oshkosh (1945-1948)
Holy Cross, Kaukauna (1948-1949)
Chaplain of Winnebago Mental Hospital (1949-1956)
St. Casimir, Northeim (1956-1959)
St. Charles, Lena (1959-1966)

Approximate Dates Abuse Occurred
1966-1967
Raymond Hietpas

Year of Ordination
1935

Status
Deceased in 2000

Number of Substantiated Allegations
Single

A single substantiated allegation of the sexual abuse of a minor was received after this priest's death. While any allegation received is investigated to the extent possible, an allegation received after a priest is deceased does not provide the opportunity for him to respond.

Assignments
St. Wendel, Cleveland (1935)
St. Joseph, Sturgeon Bay (1936)
St. Mary, De Pere (1936-1942)
SS. Peter and Paul, Green Bay (1942-1945)
St. Philimena, Birnamwood (1945-1953)
St. Mary, Glenmore (1953-1955)
St. Charles Borromeo, Lena (1955-1956)
St. Nicholas, Freedom (1956-1957)
St. Mary, De Pere (1957-1977)

Approximate Dates Abuse Occurred
1964
Rudolph J. Hodik

Year of Ordination
1924

Status
Deceased in 1974

Number of Substantiated Allegations
Single

A single substantiated allegation of the sexual abuse of a minor was received after this priest's death. While any allegation received is investigated to the extent possible, an allegation received after a priest is deceased does not provide the opportunity for him to respond.

Assignments
St. Mary, Peshtigo (1924)
St. Joseph, Norman (1924-1928)
Nativity of the Blessed Virgin, Tisch Mills (1928-1935)
Holy Trinity, Casco (1935-1970)

Approximate Dates Abuse Occurred
1950s
George Kiefer

Year of Ordination
1932

Status
Deceased in 1992

Number of Substantiated Allegations
Single

A single substantiated allegation of the sexual abuse of a minor was received after this priest's death. While any allegation received is investigated to the extent possible, an allegation received after a priest is deceased does not provide the opportunity for him to respond.

Assignments
St. Francis Xavier Cathedral, Green Bay (1932-1933)
Holy Cross, Kaukauna (1933-1938)
St. Joseph, Crandon (1938-1944)
St. Joseph, Walsh (1944)
Assistant at Guardian Angels Boarding School in Oneida (1944-1950)
Immaculate Conception, Glenmore (1950-1953)
St. John, St. John (1953)
St. Peter and Paul, Kiel (1953-1971)

Approximate Dates Abuse Occurred
1969-1971
Lawrence Loerke

Year of Ordination
1923

Status
Deceased in 1973

Number of Substantiated Allegations
Single

A single substantiated allegation of the sexual abuse of a minor was received after this priest's death. While any allegation received is investigated to the extent possible, an allegation received after a priest is deceased does not provide the opportunity for him to respond.

Assignments
St. John, Antigo (1923-1925)
Sacred Heart, Oshkosh (1925-1930)
Immaculate Conception, Glenmore (1930-1932)
St. Mary, Black Creek (1932-1938)
Mercy Medical Center chaplain, Oshkosh (1938-1939)
St. Sebastian, Isaar (1939-1941)
Immaculate Conception, Clarks Mills (1941-1945)
St. Mary, Greenville (1945-1950)
Sacred Heart, Shawano (1950)
St. Wendel, Cleveland (1950-1951)
St. Mary, Maplewood (1951-1959)
St. Ann, St. Anna (1959)
St. Mary Hospital, Kewaunee chaplain (1959)
St. Philomena, Birnamwood (1960)
St. Mary Hospital, Kewaunee chaplain (1960-1961)
St. Mary, Leopolis (1961-1969)

Approximate Dates Abuse Occurred
1950
Florian Milbauer

Year of Ordination
1950

Status
Deceased in 1969

Number of Substantiated Allegations
Single

A single substantiated allegation of the sexual abuse of a minor was received after this priest's death. While any allegation received is investigated to the extent possible, an allegation received after a priest is deceased does not provide the opportunity for him to respond.

Assignments
St. Joseph, Wautoma (1950)
Holy Cross, Kaukauna (1950-1951)
St. Vincent De Paul (1951-1958)
St. Therese, Appleton (1958-1961)
Alexian Brothers Home (1961-1963)
Holy Family, Elcho (1963-1966)
St. Denis, Shiocton (1966-1969)

Approximate Dates Abuse Occurred
1966-1969
Glen Ochs

Year of Ordination
1948

Status

Number of Substantiated Allegations
Single

A single substantiated allegation of the sexual abuse of a minor was received after this priest's death. While any allegation received is investigated to the extent possible, an allegation received after a priest is deceased does not provide the opportunity for him to respond.

Assignments
St. Anthony, Marinette (1948)
Sacred Heart, Oshkosh (1948-1951)
St. Patrick, Menasha (1951)
St. Joseph, Sturgeon Bay (1951-1954)
St. Therese, Appleton (1956-1957)
St. Patrick, Green Bay (1957-1959)
St. Matthew, Green Bay (1959-1960)
Sacred Heart, Aurora (1960-1968)
St. Anthony, Marinette (1968-1970)

Approximate Dates Abuse Occurred
1958
Fridolin Olschowski

Year of Ordination
1949

Status
Deceased in 1991

Number of Substantiated Allegations
Single

A single substantiated allegation of the sexual abuse of a minor was received after this priest's death. While any allegation received is investigated to the extent possible, an allegation received after a priest is deceased does not provide the opportunity for him to respond.

Assignments
Priestly work in Germany (1949-1951)
St. Francis Solanus, Gresham (1951-1952)
St. Phillip, Green Bay (1952)
St. Joseph, Wautoma (1952)
SS. Peter and Paul, Kiel (1952-1953)
St. Patrick, Maple Grove (1953-1954)
Holy Name, Kimberly (1954-1955)
St. Joseph, Marinette (1955-1959)
Holy Rosary, New Holstein (1959-1961)
St. Peter, Oshkosh (1961-1965)
St. Joseph, Walsh (1965-1973)
Sacred Heart, Spruce (1973-1977)

Approximate Dates Abuse Occurred
1952
Elroy Reimer

Year of Ordination
1957

Status
Deceased in 2000

Number of Substantiated Allegations
Single

A single substantiated allegation of the sexual abuse of a minor was received after this priest's death. While any allegation received is investigated to the extent possible, an allegation received after a priest is deceased does not provide the opportunity for him to respond.

Assignments
SS. Peter and Paul, Green Bay (1957-1958)
St. John, Antigo (1958-1966)
Sacred Heart, Appleton (1966-1968)
Holy Angels, Darboy (1984-1992)

Approximate Dates Abuse Occurred
1958-1960
Francis Rose

Year of Ordination
1939

Status
Deceased in 1983

Number of Substantiated Allegations
Single

A single substantiated allegation of the sexual abuse of a minor was received after this priest's death. While any allegation received is investigated to the extent possible, an allegation received after a priest is deceased does not provide the opportunity for him to respond.

Assignments
Sacred Heart, Shawano (1939-1942)
St. Joseph Orphanage, Green Bay (1942-1947)
St. Denis, Shiocton (1947-1957)
St. Michael, Whitelaw (1957-1965)
St. Mary, Oshkosh (1965-1966)
St. Isidore, Osman (1966-1978)

Approximate Dates Abuse Occurred
1943-1944
Steven Scherer

Year of Ordination
1979

Status
Deceased in 1999

Number of Substantiated Allegations
Single

A single substantiated allegation of the sexual abuse of a minor was received after this priest's death. While any allegation received is investigated to the extent possible, an allegation received after a priest is deceased does not provide the opportunity for him to respond.

Assignments
St. Jude, Green Bay (1979-1984)
St. Elizabeth Hospital, Appleton (1984-1993)

Approximate Dates Abuse Occurred
1980-1981