Clergy with Substantiated Allegations of Child Sexual Abuse

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(3) Non-Diocesan clergy who spent time in the Diocese of La Crosse and whose name appears on a list in another diocese or religious order: a priest or deacon who is either from a religious order or from a diocese other than the Diocese of La Crosse, against whom an allegation was filed and found to be substantiated by another diocese or religious order. The Diocese of La Crosse would have no specific information relating to the allegation.

Benedict Adams
Date of Ordination: September 4, 1957
Pastoral Assignments: St. Anthony Retreat Center, Marathon
Substantiated Allegations: Unspecified (Whether single or multiple per Capuchin Franciscan Province of St. Joseph)
Current Status: Deceased - April 15, 2002
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J. Michael Cannon
Date of Ordination:
Pastoral Assignments: Campion High School, Prairie du Chien
Substantiated Allegations: Single (Per Midwest Province Jesuits)
Current Status: Dismissed: 3/6/1997
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Thomas R. Haller
Date of Ordination:
Pastoral Assignments: Campion High School, Prairie du Chien
Substantiated Allegations: Multiple (Per Midwest Province Jesuits)
Current Status: Dismissed - August 18, 1982, Laicized - 1983
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J. Roger Lucey
Date of Ordination:  
Pastoral Assignments:  
Campion High School, Prairie du Chien  
**Substantiated Allegations:** Multiple (Per Midwest Province Jesuits)  
**Current Status:** Deceased - April 7, 2002  
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Charles Meyer
Date of Ordination: May 14, 1931  
Pastoral Assignments:  
St. Rose Convent, La Crosse  
**Substantiated Allegations:** Unspecified (whether single or multiple per Kansas City Province Missionaries of the Precious Blood)  
**Current Status:** Deceased - December 16, 1997  
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James V. O'Connor
Date of Ordination:  
Pastoral Assignments:  
Campion High School, Prairie du Chien  
**Substantiated Allegations:** Single (Per Midwest Province Jesuits)  
**Current Status:** Deceased - May 29, 1981  
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Michael A. Spegele
Date of Ordination: June 14, 1941  
Pastoral Assignments:  
St. Francis Hospital, La Crosse  
**Substantiated Allegations:** Unspecified (whether single or multiple per Kansas City Province Missionaries of the Precious Blood)  
**Current Status:** Deceased - March 16, 1998  
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