Arkansas Clergy Disclosure List

Clergy for whom allegations of sexual abuse of a minor have been admitted, substantiated or determined or considered to be credible. Learn more about this list or go directly to the list. (Lea en español.)

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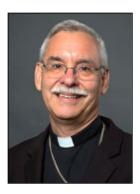
Bishop's Statement

Bishop Anthony B. Taylor released the following update, Feb. 8, 2019, following the conclusion of Kinsale Management Consulting's independent review of clergy personnel files and the diocese's ongoing internal file review.

"Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

"On September 10 of last year I wrote you about the steps we are taking to address the clergy sexual abuse crisis in Arkansas. I disclosed the names of 12 priests and former priests against whom credible allegations had been received in the last 70 years. I also announced that an independent review of our clergy files would be undertaken by Kinsale Management Consulting ("Kinsale"). On October 23 I provided an update, stating that since September 10 the Diocese had received reports of additional allegations of clergy sexual abuse from

the public — most of which were against priests already listed; none



of which were against priests who are currently in active ministry in Arkansas; and all of which were regarding events that would have occurred prior to 2002. ..."

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About This Clergy List

This list is being published as part of the Diocese of Little Rock's ongoing commitment to transparency and to encourage persons sexually abused by clergy or by anyone working on behalf of the Church to come forward. The individuals named in this list have served in Arkansas at some point in time, but that does not mean that they abused minors during their service here in Arkansas. In addition, although this list includes their assignments, that does not mean that there are allegations of abuse at each place.

Despite our best efforts to ensure that this information is accurate and complete, we know that this list may include errors or be incomplete. It was compiled through an initial preliminary internal review of personnel files of clergy whom we already knew or whom we suspected had been credibly accused of child sexual abuse. This initial internal review was followed by an external review by Kinsale Management Consulting, as well as further diocesan investigations and file reviews, which resulted in the addition of two more names of persons credibly accused of sexually abusing minors in Arkansas. An allegation being determined or considered as credible is not the equivalent of a finding of guilt by a jury or judge in a legal proceeding under civil law or canon law, nor does it mean that the allegation is able to be substantiated or proven. The list will be updated in the future based on any new information or investigations, or any additional names provided by other dioceses or religious orders.

If you or someone you know has been sexually abused by clergy or by anyone working on behalf of the Church, please first contact the civil authorities by calling the Arkansas Child Abuse Hotline (800-482-5964). Then please call or email our diocesan contacts: Dc. Matthew Glover, Chancellor for Canonical Affairs (501-664-0340, ext. 361) or Dr. George Simon or Dr. Sherry Simon, Victims Assistance Coordinators (501-664-0340, ext. 425). For more information, see the following:

- Historical Explanation of Church's Handling of Allegations of Abuse of Minors Prior to 2002
- Kinsale Management Consulting Exit Letter
- Frequently Asked Questions

DIOCESAN PRIESTS

Donald Althoff

Year of Ordination: 1982

Status: Resigned and removed from active ministry (1995)

Victim Information: 1 known victim

Assignments Held:

St. John, Hot Springs (1982-1984)

St. Michael, West Memphis; Sacred Heart, Crawfordsville (1984-1988)

St. Mary of the Lake, Horseshoe Lake (1985-1988)

Christ the King, Little Rock (in residence 1989-1990)

Little Rock Scripture Study Office

St. Francis, Little Italy (1989-1990)

St. Theresa, Little Rock (1990-1992)

Leave of Absence (1992-1995)

Joseph Correnti

Year of Ordination: 1972

Status: Deceased (2002)

Victim Information: 5 known victims

Assignments Held:

Immaculate Conception, Fort Smith (1972-1974)

Our Lady of the Holy Souls, Little Rock (1974-1978)

St. Agnes, Mena; St. Jude, Waldron; All Saints, Mount Ida (1978-1981)

Diocesan Vocations Director and Director of Youth Ministries (1981-1987)

St. John Catholic Center, Little Rock (in residence 1981-1982)

St. Anne, North Little Rock (1982)

St. Boniface, New Dixie; and the missions St. Francis, Little Italy and Petit Jean (1982-1983)

St. Patrick, North Little Rock (1983-1985)

St. John, Russellville; St. Augustine, Dardanelle (1985-1986)

St. Anne, North Little Rock (1986-1987)

Holy Trinity Seminary, Irving, Texas (1987-1989)

St. Paul, Pocahontas (1989-1991)

Our Lady of the Holy Souls, Little Rock (1991-1994)

Leave of Absence (1994-1995)

St. Raphael, Springdale (1996-2001)

St. Joseph, Tontitown (1995-death)

Robert Dagwell

Year of Ordination: 1954

Status: Deceased (1997); removed from active ministry in 1986

Victim Information: Specific number of victims unknown

Assignments Held:

Immaculate Conception, Blytheville (1954-1955)

Blessed Sacrament, Jonesboro (1955-1958)

St. Boniface, Dixie; and the missions of St. Francis, Little Italy and St. Ann, Bigelow (1958-1964)

Immaculate Heart of Mary, Walnut Ridge (1964-1971)

St. Mary, McGehee; St. Mary, Dermott (1971-1979)

St. Mary, Helena (1979-1984)

St. Elizabeth, Eureka Springs; St. Anne, Berryville (1984-1986)

John McDaniel

Year of Ordination: 1955

Status: Deceased (1974)

Victim Information: 6 known victims

Assignments Held:

St. John, Hot Springs (1955-1957)

Christ the King, Fort Smith (1957-1960)

Holy Redeemer, El Dorado (1960-1963)

Immaculate Conception, Blytheville (1963-1966)

St. John the Baptist, Malvern (1966-1970)

Our Lady of the Holy Souls, Little Rock (1970-death)

Edward Mooney

Year of Ordination: 1949

Status: Deceased (2009); left active ministry in 1971; laicized in 1974

Victim Information: 2 known victims

Assignments Held:

St. Michael, West Memphis (1949-1951)

Our Lady of the Holy Souls, Little Rock (1951-1955)

Immaculate Conception, Fort Smith (1955-1956)

St. Anne's Academy, Fort Smith (1956-1960)

Sr. Rose of Lima, Carlisle (1960-1964)

St. Mary, Hot Springs (1963)

Sr. Francis, Forrest City (1964-1965)

St. Elizabeth, Eureka Springs (1965-1967)

St. Matthew, Osceola; St. Norbert, Marked Tree (1967-1968)

St. Joseph, Pine Bluff (1968-1969)

Leave of Absence (1969-1970)

St. Louis, Camden (1970)

St. Mary, McGehee; St. Mary, Dermott (1970)

Walter Rajmund

Year of Ordination: 1956

Status: Deceased (1990)

Victim Information: 2 known victims

Assignments Held:

Immaculate Conception, Fort Smith (1956-1957)

Our Lady of Good Counsel, Little Rock (1957-1960)

Immaculate Conception, Fort Smith (1960-1962)

Sts. Cyril and Methodius, Slovak (1962-1963)

Immaculate Conception, Fort Smith (1963-1964)

St. Mary, Hot Springs (1964-1965)

St. Matthew, Osceola (1965-1967)

St. John, Hot Springs (1967-1971)

St. Joseph, Fayetteville (1971-1973)

Our Lady of Good Hope, Hope; Immaculate Heart of Mary, Magnolia (1973-1982)

St. Michael, West Memphis; Sacred Heart, Crawfordsville (1982-1984)

St. Joseph Regional Medical Center, Hot Springs (1984-1990)

Robert Torres

Year of Ordination: 1966

Status: Removed and resigned from priestly ministry (1994); laicized in 2015

Victim Information: 5 known victims

Assignments Held:

St. John Seminary, Little Rock (1966)

Catholic High School, Little Rock (1967-1974)

Our Lady of Good Counsel, Little Rock (in residence 1971)

St. Mary, North Little Rock (in residence 1971-1972)

Cathedral of St. Andrew, Little Rock (1972-1974)

Immaculate Conception, North Little Rock (1974)

Our Lady of Good Counsel, Little Rock (1975)

Christ the King, Little Rock (1976-1980)

Sick Leave (1980-1981)

Christ the King, Little Rock (1981-1982)

St. John, Malvern; St. Mary, Arkadelphia (1982-1984)

St. Mary, North Little Rock (1984-1989)

St. Theresa, Little Rock (1989)

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Ashdown; Our Lady of Good Hope, Hope (1992-1994)

PRIESTS FROM OTHER DIOCESES

This is a list of priests from other dioceses who have been credibly accused of child sexual abuse in Arkansas.

<u>Paul Haas</u>

Year of Ordination: 1959 (Diocese of Nashville)

Status: Deceased (1979); served in Diocese of Little Rock, 1964-1965

Victim Information: 1 known victim in Arkansas; multiple victims in Tennessee

Assignments Held:

Catholic High School, Little Rock (1964-1965)

MEMBERS OF RELIGIOUS ORDERS

This is a list of religious order priests and brothers who have been credibly accused of child sexual abuse in Arkansas.

<u>Nicholas Fuhrman, OSB</u>

Year of Ordination: 1954

Status: Permanently removed and barred from active ministry (2002)

Victim Information: 8 known victims

Assignments Held:

Subiaco Academy (1954-1981)

St. Mary, Windthorst, Texas (1981-1983)

St. Mary, Gainesville, Texas (1984-1993)

Subiaco Abbey (1994-1995)

St. Bernard Hospital, Jonesboro (1996-2002)

Timothy Sugrue, SM

Year of Ordination: Unknown

Status: Dismissed from priesthood and religious life (2005)

Victim Information: 1 known victim

Assignments Held:

Eaker Air Force Base, Blytheville (1978-1979)

Patrick Walsh, MSC

Year of Ordination: 1952

Status: Deceased (2011); suspended from all ministry by his religious order in 2004

Victim Information: 1 known victim

Assignments Held:

St. Vincent Infirmary, Little Rock (chaplain) (1976-1984)

<u>Bill Wright, GHM</u>

Confirmed by the Glenmary Home Missioners as having a credible allegation during his time in Arkansas

Status: Deceased (1990)

Victim Information: Specific number of victims unknown

Assignments Held:

Holy Cross, Crossett (1982-1986)

PRIESTS CREDIBLY ACCUSED OUTSIDE ARKANSAS

This is a list of priests who have been credibly accused outside of Arkansas, but who served in Arkansas at some point.

<u>Thomas Benkhe, OCD</u>

Confirmed by the Order of Carmelites Discalced as having credible allegations outside of Arkansas

Status: Deceased (2008)

Assignments Held:

Resided at Marylake Monastery in Arkansas (1992-1997), but conducted no public ministry while in residence in Arkansas.

<u>Daniel De Dominicis, CSSp</u>

Appears on list published by Diocese of San Bernadino

Status: Deceased

Assignments Held:

St. Joseph, Conway (1951-1952)

Gabriel Hentrich, OCD

Appears on list published by Diocese of Dallas

Status: Deceased (1992)

Assignments Held:

Marylake Monastery (1975-1981)

<u>Albert Holmes, GHM</u>

Confirmed by the Glenmary Home Missioners as having credible allegations outside of Arkansas

Status: Deceased (2013)

Assignments Held:

Holy Cross, Crossett (1990-1991)

Kevin McCarthy

A priest of Diocese of St. John, Newfoundland, Canada; appears on list published by Archdiocese of Los Angeles

Status: Deceased (1992)

Assignments Held:

St. Joseph, Pine Bluff (1971-1973)

Holy Cross, Crossett; St. Luke, Warren (1973-1975)

St. John, Brinkley (1975)

Our Lady of the Ozarks, Winslow (1975-1992)

<u>Anthony McKay, CSSp</u>

Convicted of child sexual abuse in the United Kingdom based on allegations during his time in the United Kingdom

Year of Ordination: 1960

Status: Deceased (2015); dismissed from priesthood and religious life in 2004

Victim Information: No known victims in Arkansas; 10 victims elsewhere

Assignments Held:

St. Joseph, Conway (1991-2001)

Bede Mitchell, OSB

Appears on list published by Diocese of Fort Worth

Status: Deceased (1983)

Assignments Held:

A priest of Subiaco Abbey, Arkansas

Patrick J.L. Nicholson

Appears on list published by Archdiocese of Mobile

Status: Prohibited from ministry in Archdiocese of Mobile

Assignments Held:

Little Rock Air Force Base, Jacksonville, which is under the Archdiocese for Military Services (unknown dates)

<u>Aloysius Schwellenbach</u>

Appears on list published by Diocese of Springfield, Illinois

Status: Deceased (2000)

Assignments Held:

No formal assignments in Arkansas. Moved to Arkansas after retiring from the Diocese of Springfield in 1988, and lived in the Mountain Home area in retirement until his death. Conducted occasional fillin sacramental ministry at St. Peter the Fisherman Church in Mountain Home.

Vance Thorne, SVD

Appears on list published by Archdiocese of Los Angeles, and credible allegations also in Diocese of Jackson

Status: Deceased (2004)

Assignments Held:

St. Bartholomew, Little Rock (1971-1980)

Francis Zimmerer, OSB

Confirmed by Subiaco Abbey as having credible allegations outside of Arkansas

Status: Deceased (1983)

Assignments Held:

Subiaco Academy (1932-1933)

Sacred Heart, Muenster, Texas (1933-1940)

St. Mary, Windthorst, Texas (1940-1941)

Army Chaplain in World War II (1941-1945)

Subiaco Academy (1945-1949)

St. Benedict, Subiaco (1948)

St. Scholastica, Shoal Creek / New Blaine (1950-1951)

St. Mary, Windthorst, Texas (1952-1953)

Subiaco Abbey (1953)

St. Teresa, Corpus Christi, Texas (1954-1959)

Counselor for Arkansas rehabilitation programs (1960-1962)

Sick Leave (1963)

St. Peter, Mount Clemens, Michigan (1963-1966)

Counselor in Little Rock prisons (1966)

Counselor for Arkansas rehabilitation program, Fort Smith (1967)

VA Hospital, Tomah, Wisconsin (chaplain) (1968-1970)

St. Stephen, Stevens Point, Wisconsin; St. Kilian, Blenker, Wisconsin (1971)

St. Joseph Hospital, Chippewa Falls, Wisconsin (1972-1973)

St. John the Baptist, Elgar, Wisconsin (1974-1975)

Assumption, Decatur, Texas (1976-1981)

Sts. Peter and Paul, Morrison Bluff (1981-death)

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