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# Fr. Joseph (Louis) Heitzer

Born in 1914 in Germany, Fr. Heitzer was ordained to the priesthood for the Archdiocese of St. Paul in 1942. He was never incardinated into the Diocese of New Ulm. However, Fr. Heitzer was credibly accused of abuse in the Archdiocese and was assigned at parishes that are now within the Diocese of New Ulm.

# Fr. Heitzer's assignment history:

- Associate, Holy Trinity, Winsted, 1942-1944
- Associate, St. Andrew, Fairfax, 1944
- Associate, Assumption, St. Paul, 1944-1945
- Associate, Holy Redeemer, Marshall, 1945
- Associate, St. Mary, Sleepy Eye, 1945-1948
- Associate, St. Joseph, Waconia, 1948
- Associate, St. Aloysius, Olivia, 1948-1950
- Administrator, Sacred Heart, Franklin, 1950-1954
- Pastor, St. Joseph, Rosen, 1954-1955
- Pastor, St. Michael, Gaylord, 1955-1956
- Pastor, St. Luke, Clearwater, 1956-1958
- Pastor, St. Scholastica, Heidelberg, 1958-1966
- Associate, St. Richard, Richfield, 1966-1967
- In residence, St. Peter, Forest Lake, 1967-1968
- Sacramental and supply ministry, clergy retreat house, Nevis (in the Crookston Diocese), 1968
- Chaplain, Divine Providence nursing home, Ivanhoe, 1969

## Fr. Heitzer died in 1969 at the age of 55.



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