



ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF SACRAMENTO DIÓCESIS CATÓLICA ROMANA DE SACRAMENTO

John Dowling

Status: Deceased 2000.

Diocesan Response: After 1981 report of child pornography, faculties withdrawn and

dismissed from diocese

Year and Place of Birth: 1909, USA

Seminary Attended: St. Mary Seminary, Baltimore

Date Ordained / Connection to Diocese: Ordained in 1943 for the Diocese of Savannah-Atlanta, Georgia. Served in Diocese of Sacramento from 1947-1981.

Assignments in Diocese of Sacramento

- 1947-1950: Holy Rosary, Woodland
- 1950-1956: Chaplain for the California Youth Authority, San Andrews, CA
- 1957: St. Mary, Arcata
- 1958: St. Joseph, Yreka
- 1958-1961: St. Joseph, Redding
- 1960-1961: CA Dept. of Corrections Honor Camp
- 1960: Chaplain, Boy Scouts
- 1961-1981: Holy Cross, Tulelake

Reporting Victims

Date range of alleged abuse: 1954-1981

1. Male, under the age of 14

- Nature of accusation(s): Sexual touching and fondling
- Year reported to diocese: 2002

2. Male, under the age of 14, reported by family member

- Nature of accusation(s): Sexual touching and fondling
- Year reported to diocese: 2019

3. Male, under the age of 14

- Nature of accusation(s): Sexual touching and fondling, masturbation, oral copulation
- Year reported to diocese: 2004

4. Male, under the age of 14, reported by family member

- Nature of accusation(s): Assault; specific details unknown
- Year reported to diocese: 1983

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