

**STATEMENT RELEASED TO MEDIA UPON INQUIRIES**

David Kelley underwent residential treatment in New Mexico in 1987 as a result of concerns that he spent an inordinate amount of time with teenage boys. There were no allegations of sexual contact with minors at that time. Kelley also has been treated several times for alcoholism. In 1994 the Archdiocese received an allegation from an adult that Kelley had fondled him in the late 1970s when the adult was a teenager. Kelley did not confirm the report, but the Chancellor considered it to be a substantiated allegation. By this time he had already undergone treatment both for sexual issues and for alcoholism. He was also restricted in his contact with children. A response team convened under the Archdiocese's Decree on Child Protection determined that no further action was necessary. He continued to have ongoing treatment with regular reports to the Archbishop. No further allegations of abuse by him have come to the Archdiocese.

Kelley was ordained in 1974 and assigned to St. Theresa of Avila parish in Price Hill as associate pastor while teaching at Elder High School. He became associate pastor at Resurrection, Price Hill, in 1976; resident associate at Little Flower, Mt. Airy, 1978; and resident associate at Our Lady of Victory, Delhi Township, 1982. He became full-time associate pastor at St. Christopher, Vandalia, in 1984 and associate pastor at Sacred Heart, Fairfield, in 1987. After treatment in 1987, he studied clinical pastoral education at Miami Valley Hospital in Dayton and joined Mercy Anderson Hospital as a chaplain in 1989. He left Mercy Anderson in May 2002 and has not been assigned a ministry since.

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