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## Father Philip Magaldi's Retirement

In April, the Diocese of Fort Worth issued a news release announcing the resignation of Father Philip Magaldi, a priest of the Diocese of Fort Collaborations of accusations of sexual misconduct being made by a 35-year-old man who was a resident of The individual, whose name we did not reveal at the time, had accused Fr. Magaldi of abuse over a period of years in Massachusetts, in the 1970s.

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In the press release, Fr. Magaldi was described as vehemently denying the truth of the accusations and insisting he had never met or had contact with the person.

In response to these accusations, the diocese had requested and obtained Fr. Magaldi's retirement from active phiestly ministry. If Fr. Magaldi is exonerated, his status will be reevaluated

The behavior that Fr. Magaldi has been accused of in the lawsuit
is all described as having taken place in that state in the 1970s. At that time,
The Magaldi, who was ordained for the Diocese of Providence, Rhode Island, was serving as a priest in that diocese.

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