

# FR. HOWLIN SCAN FROM THE DIOCESE OF JOLIET NO.965

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DIOCESE	DIOCESE OF JOLIET
C.D.F. PROT. N.	RECOURSE PROT. N. 2004-2547
NAME OF CLERIC	CARROLL HOWLIN

PERSONAL DETAILS OF THE CLERIC			
DATE OF BIRTH	[REDACTED]	AGE	[REDACTED]
DATE OF ORDINATION	27 MAY 1961	YEARS OF MINISTRY	43 YEARS
ORIGINAL DIOCESE OF INCARDINATION	DIOCESE OF JOLIET		
MINISTRY IN OR TRANSFER TO ANOTHER DIOCESE	ARCHDIOCESE OF LOUISVILLE, MAY 1977 – JAN 1988 DIOCESE OF LEXINGTON, JAN 1988 – PRESENT		
CONTACT ADDRESS OF CLERIC	[REDACTED]		
PROCURATOR / ADVOCATE	[REDACTED]		
CONTACT ADDRESS FOR PROCURATOR/ADVOCATE	[REDACTED]		

MINISTRY ASSIGNMENTS			
YEAR	MINISTRY	LOCATION	APPOINTMENT
17 JUNE 1961	SAINTS PETER AND PAUL PARISH	NAPERVILLE, IL	ASSOCIATE PASTOR
12 JUNE 1965	ST. CHARLES BORROMEEO SEMINARY	LOCKPORT, IL	SPIRITUAL DIRECTOR
16 JUNE 1975	SAINT PIUS X PARISH	LOMBARD, IL	ASSOCIATE PASTOR
27 JAN 1976	SAINT PAUL THE APOSTLE PARISH	JOLIET, IL	ASSOCIATE PASTOR
5 MAY 1977	GOOD SHEPHERD MISSION	WHITLEY CITY, KY	PASTOR

ACCUSATIONS AGAINST THE CLERIC				
YEAR	ACCUSER / VICTIM	AGE	IMPUTABLE ACTS	DENUNCIATION
1975	[REDACTED]	16	[REDACTED] alleged sexual abuse during seminarian camping trip to Wisconsin.	NOVEMBER 1995
1975 - 1976	[REDACTED]	16	[REDACTED] alleged sexual abuse during seminarian ministry trip to Kentucky and indicated on-going abuse at seminary.	APRIL 2002
1996	[REDACTED]	15	[REDACTED] family alleged undetermined abuse.	MAY 2003
CIRCA 1996	[REDACTED]	14	[REDACTED] alleged that Fr. Howlin fondled him in Fr.'s truck on one occasion while Fr. was buying school supplies for him and attempted to coerce [REDACTED] to perform oral sodomy on one occasion at his home.	NOVEMBER 2003

CIVIL PROCEEDINGS AGAINST THE CLERIC			
YEAR	TYPE / CASE	CONVICTION	CIVIL SENTENCE
1995	[REDACTED] sought financial compensation from the Diocese of Joliet but filed no civil proceedings. It is reported that no settlement was reached.	N/A	N/A
2002	[REDACTED] – statute of limitations expired in Illinois preventing any criminal proceedings & although there is no statute of limitations in Kentucky, no complaint is ever lodged in the appropriate county.	N/A	N/A



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	AUGUST 2002 – [REDACTED] filed a civil lawsuit against Bishop Imesch alleging abuse by Fr. Howlin. Newspaper accounts indicate that [REDACTED] also filed a civil lawsuit against Bishop Imesch.	N/A	N/A
2003	JAN 2003	N/A	reported \$2.6 million settlement with 13 undisclosed persons since 1983
	MAY 2003; [REDACTED] – although there is no statute of limitations in Kentucky, no criminal/civil complaint is ever lodged by [REDACTED] and the family has not filed any civil complaint regarding [REDACTED].	N/A	N/A

### MEASURES ADOPTED BY THE DIOCESE

YEAR	MEASURE/S
1995	Investigation concluded that the [REDACTED] allegation was not credible.
2002	The Diocese of Joliet opened a preliminary investigation in reaction to the [REDACTED] Allegation. On 14 April 2002, Bishop Imesch placed Father Howlin on <b>administrative leave</b> .
2003	The Diocese of Joliet involved LSN Investigations, a private investigating company from Knoxville, Tennessee, which conducted the <b>preliminary investigation</b> .
2004	In April 2004, the Review Board sought defensive comments from Father Howlin's civil attorney. In June 2004, the Board concluded that the [REDACTED] allegation was not credible, and Bishop Imesch accepted its determination that "the accusation made by [REDACTED] [REDACTED] is not credible" The Board also concluded that the [REDACTED] allegation/s were credible, and Bishop Imesch accepted its determination that "the accusation made by the relatives of [REDACTED] is credible"
	In July 2004, the Diocese of Joliet decreed <b>restrictions</b> of Father Howlin's ministry.
	In September 2004, the Diocese of Joliet closed the preliminary investigation and referred the case to the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, and the Diocese of Joliet accepted Father Howlin's nomination of an advocate.
	OCTOBER 2004 – The Diocese of Joliet denied the request for reimbursement of legal expenses because "the practice of the diocese has been to reimburse priests for their legal expenses, if they are found to be innocent." The administrative decision was appealed (Nov).

### SUSTENANCE PROVIDED BY THE DIOCESE TO THE CLERIC

Since Father Howlin is of retirement age, he receives the regular monthly pension provided for retired priests of the diocese.

### RESPONSE / RECOURSE / APPEAL MADE BY THE CLERIC

YEAR	RESPONSE / RECOURSE / APPEAL
1995	Father Howlin denied the [REDACTED] allegation and submitted to a psychological evaluation.
2002	Father Howlin denied the [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] allegations. His civil attorney submitted defensive comments to the Review Board.
2003	November 2003 - Father Howlin inquired why his case had not been forwarded to the Holy See and demanded to be reinstated.
2004	July 2004 – Father Howlin was informed of his right to canonical counsel and directed to the Canon Law Society of America.
	August 2004 – Father Howlin contacted [REDACTED] to serve as advocate.
	October 2004 – [REDACTED] was approved as advocate and sent preliminary defensive remarks, specifically seeking permission for Father Howlin to preside at his parent's funerals if the situation arose. Permission was denied, and Father Howlin accepted the decision.
	November 2004 – [REDACTED] sought recourse against administrative silence regarding reimbursement of canonical expenses (Prot. N. 2004-2547).
2005	April 2005 – [REDACTED] submitted extensive defensive comments.