

Father Geoghan was permitted to reside at Regina Cleri, and finally was dismissed from the Priesthood on February 17, 1998. See GEOGHAN-II 01935; Monsignor Richard Lennon Memorandum to Rev. James McCarthy dated May 8, 1998. In January of 2002, at the age of sixty-six years old, Geoghan was convicted of indecent assault and battery by Judge Sandra Hamlin and sentenced to nine to twelve years in jail nearly forty years after he began molesting children.

9. DANIEL M. GRAHAM

Daniel M. Graham was ordained at Holy Cross Cathedral in Boston on May 23, 1970, see DG-0059, in a class that included another accused child molester, Father Paul J. Finegan. Father Graham's assignments placed him at Our Lady of the Rosary, in Stoughton, Massachusetts, until June of 1975 and then at St. John the Baptist, in Quincy, where Father Graham remained for thirteen years, until June of 1988. See DG-0059.

The first documented complaint against Father Graham came to the RCAB by way of Mr. Bryan Schultz's letter of July 10, 1986, referenced above, that described Father Graham's abuse of Mr. Schultz some twenty years earlier, approximately in 1966. See DG-0002, 0005-0006; see Schultz Aff.¹³ Mr. Schultz's request for a meeting with Cardinal Law was never answered. See DG-002, 0201. Instead, by letter dated August 10, 1986, Cardinal Law's secretary, Father

¹³ See Schultz Affidavit as referenced in Addendum "A."

William Helmick, assured Mr. Schultz that the matter would be taken “most seriously.” See DG-0201.

However, at Father Helmick’s deposition in 2002, he testified that he had no explanation as to why he did not invite Mr. Schultz to come in and speak with Cardinal Law or why Cardinal Law did not ask him to obtain the names of the priests Mr. Schultz referred to in his July 1986 letter. See Helmick Depo., October 9, 2002, p. 53.

A handwritten note by Bishop Banks, dated April 28, 1988, recorded a conversation that Bishop Banks had with Father Graham, during which Father Graham stated that “Brian did not want to see me” and that “Paul Shanley ha[d] acted as a mediator. See DG-0003. The note further indicated that Father Graham had told Mr. Schultz that Father Graham had turned his life around. See DG-0003.

In a May 1988 letter to Father Graham, Mr. Schultz detailed the sexual assaults that Father Graham had perpetrated on Mr. Schultz beginning when Mr. Schultz was 14 years old. See DG-0005-0006. Mr. Schultz described assaults that had taken place in Father Graham’s car, Father Graham’s parents’ home, Father Graham’s vacation home in Hull, at Our Lady of Lourdes rectory in Stoughton, and at St. Patrick’s Rectory in Stoneham, among other places. See DG-0005. The letter indicated that the sexual molestations involved the use of alcohol and

pornographic material. See DG-0005. Mr. Schultz added that he had heard that Father Graham had continued to befriend young boys and had taken them away on overnights. See DG-0005. Mr. Schultz asked that Father Graham do four things and provide documentation that they had occurred:

1. Inform his pastor of the abuse;
2. Remove himself from child-related activities;
3. Develop a program within his parish to address sexual victimization;
4. Enroll in a Sexual Abuse Perpetrator's Self-Help Group.

See DG-0005. Mr. Schultz threatened legal action and public disclosure if Father Graham failed to do any of the above, and a copy of this letter was sent to Cardinal Law. See DG-0005-0006. Father Graham answered this letter saying that he would meet with Cardinal Law and that he would then contact Mr. Schultz. See DG-0206.

In an undated reply to Mr. Schultz, Father Graham admitted the sexual abuse, said that he was sorry, asked for forgiveness, and acknowledged that "[he had] struggled with celibacy during [his] 18 years of ordination and this [in] no way mitigate[d] [his] past negative behavior or [his] guilt." See DG-0215-0218.

Ironically, Mr. Schultz had also written to Father Shanley, in an undated letter (presumably) written in approximately May or June of 1988, that relayed in greater detail Mr. Schultz's suspicions of Father Graham's continuing abuse of young boys in the parish, and Mr. Schultz's frustration that no-one from the

Chancery, particularly Cardinal Law, had been in touch with him. See DG-0208-0212.

Notwithstanding Mr. Schultz's allegations and Father Graham's admissions, in 1988 Dr. Alexander O'Hanley, M.D. performed an assessment of Father Graham and by letter dated May 3, 1988, reported to Bishop Banks that Dr. O'Hanley, "found nothing in [Father Graham's] evaluation that would preclude [Father Graham], psychologically, from holding any position....without reservation", and that Dr. O'Hanley saw no impediment to any assignment that those in authority wished to bestow on Fr. Graham. See DG-0004.

Bishop Banks's notes dated May 9, 1988, chronicled the history of the allegations against Father Graham. See DG-0007. Bishop Banks documented Father Graham's confession that as a seminarian and young priest, Father Graham was involved in sexual activity with a young man; Father Graham's failed attempt to meet with Mr. Schultz; Father Graham's request to Father Shanley to meet the young man to have Father Shanley explain that Father Graham "was in good condition now"; and Dr. O'Hanley's report, "which allow[ed] [them] to continue to assign Fr. Graham to priestly ministry." See DG-0007. Bishop Banks ended his note by saying that he had, "no doubt that Father Graham ha[d] been honest in admitting his guilt and in denying that any improper [sic] activity ha[d] [taken] place in the past 20 years." See DG-0007.

Father Graham remained as Associate Pastor at St. John the Baptist, in Quincy until June of 1988. He was then appointed Parochial Vicar at St. Brendan's Parish, in Dorchester. See DG-0059.

In August of 1988, Bishop Banks interviewed Father Graham, who confirmed that he had completed the four things that Mr. Schultz asked Father Graham to do. See DG-0013. Father Graham insisted to Bishop Banks that he did not have a problem. See DG-0013. Bishop Banks mused about the wisdom of Father Graham's attending a self-help group, Sex and Love Addicts Anonymous, known as S.L.A.A., and Father Graham indicated that he was just placating Mr. Schultz. See DG-0013. Finally, Father Graham denied Mr. Schultz's accusations that Father Graham had befriended young boys, and had taken them on overnights and upstairs to the Rectory, among other things. See DG-0013.

On August 10, 1988, Mr. Schultz again wrote to Father Shanley documenting the RCAB's lack of belief in and response to his complaints, and stated the following:

It is clear that I have come up against a systemic bureaucracy whose only intent is to protect itself – at the expense of it's [sic] parishioners and staff – if need be....Not only is it important to insure that no further victims are created but that all involved parties are taken care of and not further victimized by this disclosure.

See DG-0017-0018.

In Bishop Banks's note dated August 17, 1988, Bishop Banks indicated that he had spoken with Father James Lane, Father Graham's pastor at St. Brendan's Church to inform Father Lane of Mr. Schultz's charge that Father Graham was continuing to act improperly with boys, and that there seemed to be no foundation to the charge. See DG-0014. Bishop Banks noted that the communication to Father Lane was made to assure the complainant, Mr. Schultz, that Bishop Banks had spoken to and had alerted the pastor to be on the lookout for any improper familiarity between Father Graham and teenagers. See DG-0014. Bishop Banks also noted that he and Father Lane agreed that Father Graham would be a "plus to the parish." See DG-0014. Bishop Banks also noted that he had called Mr. Schultz, related the conversation with Father Lane, and that Mr. Schultz seemed to be satisfied. See DG-0014.

Bishop Banks wrote to Father Shanley by letter dated August 23, 1988 that, "Obviously [Mr. Schultz] is not going to be satisfied...[Mr. Schultz] adjusts things to fit his already established way of thinking. It is unfortunate." See DG-0227.

Over a year later, on January 8, 1990, Bishop Banks and Father Graham had a meeting to discuss Father Graham's potential to be appointed as pastor. See DG-0228. Bishop Banks noted that "One problem could be the location of Bryan Schultz. But it seems that he lives in New Hampshire, so Fr. Graham

could be appointed any place.” See DG-0228. Bishop Banks then summarized his understanding about Father Graham’s abuse, by stating,

I said hat [sic] it sounded to me as if the problem was not an innate one but more related to stress at the time and the maturing process.

See DG-0228. On August 25, 1990, Cardinal Law appointed Father Graham as Pastor of St. Joseph Parish, in Quincy, for a period of six years. See DG-0106.

On September 10, 1992, another complaint against Father Graham was received by the RCAB. See DG-0230. Father Tim Harrison reported that a woman named “█████,” the leader of a physical therapy group, had reported that a man named “█████” had alleged that he had been sexually abused at age 18 by a priest in Quincy 10 years ago, and that priest was presently a pastor at St. Joseph’s. See DG-0230. The victim had reported this abuse to the police, but the police had taken no action on the allegation, because it was beyond the criminal statute of limitations. See DG-0230. Further notes indicated that a follow up investigation had failed to find “█████.” See DG-0193-195. Almost a year later, Sister Catherine Mulkerrin called Father Harrison twice, to ask the identity of the complainant, however without success. See DG-0193-0195.

In 1994, Father Brian Flatley took over as the Delegate for cases of Clergy misconduct. See DG-0231. In January 1995, in citing the new Sexual Misconduct policy that said: “The assignment of one who has engaged in sexual abuse with a minor will exclude parish ministry and other ministry that involved minors”,

Father Flatley asked Father Graham to resign from the parish. See DG-0019-0020. Father Flatley informed Father Graham that an assessment at St. Luke's was necessary, but he assured Father Graham that Father Graham could remain in his parish until after his twenty-fifth anniversary of ordination, in May 1994. See DG-0019-0020.

The RCAB documents indicate that within the next several months, Father Graham was assessed by Dr. Mark Blais, of Massachusetts General Hospital , who provided a report to Father Flatley. See DG-0196. Then on June 5, 1995, the Review Board recommended, and Cardinal Law approved, that Father Graham not be involved in parish ministry. See DG-0239. The Review Board's recommendation also indicated that Father Graham "engage in therapy as recommended, that another ministry be sought where this priest's talents may be used." See DG-0027.

An undated, handwritten note in the file from an unknown author states, "Brian - yes to all of this. **Let's get Dan Graham off any hook.**" See DG-0245 (emphasis added).

Less than six months after Father Graham was removed from ministry, in a memorandum to Father Murphy dated February 1, 1996, Father Flatley wrote that Father Graham's case needed to be re-examined. See DG-0032-34. Father Flatley opined that the recent Sexual Misconduct policy could have been

construed as not applying to Father Graham's case because the policy was not retroactive, and the case had been treated appropriately before the policy was in place. See DG-0032-34. Accordingly, Father Graham's case was heard at the Review Board meeting on February 5, 1996, and notes thereto indicate that Father Graham's case was "a source of uneasiness for all those involved in the office of the Delegate." See DG-0032-34. The Review Board then issued a new recommendation as follows:

That this be determined to be a case reported and handled appropriately before the present Policy was in place, and thus one to which the Policy does not apply. Father [] (sic) does not require further assessment and there should be no limits or restrictions on his ministry.

See DG-0032-34. Cardinal Law accepted the Delegate's recommendation and on February 9, 1996 he reinstated Father Graham to ministry. See DG-0035-366.

Several weeks later, Cardinal Law wrote to Father Graham appointing him Vicar Forane of the Quincy Vicariate of South Region. See DG-0121, 0183-0184. This promotion allowed Father Graham, an admitted child molester, to be in charge of more than a dozen parishes. In November 1996, Cardinal Law renewed Father Graham's term as pastor of St. Joseph's parish in Quincy for a period of six years. See DG-0125, 0130. In November, 1998, Father Graham was re-appointed Vicar Forane for three years. See DG-0137.

Then in January 2002, in another reversal of position now based on the new RCAB policy with regard to past instances of clergy sexual abuse of minors, Father Graham was asked to resign by Bishop Malone. See DG-0248-0249. In his memorandum to Father Higgins, Bishop Malone wrote that Father Graham, “was shocked with the suddenness of this decision...did not fight it in any way, but accepted it in a very sad but manly fashion.” See DG-0248. Father Malone added that, “This was the most difficult thing [he has] had to do as a bishop, and, perhaps, in 30 years as a priest. But, with God’s grace, it [was] done.” See DG-0249.

Since January 2002, Father Graham has remained on “Unassigned Status” and resides in Quincy. See DG-0059, 0152.

10. RICHARD JOHNSON

Father Richard Johnson was ordained in 1947. See Johnson, Richard G. 1-003. He served at St. Mary’s in Lynn from 1951 to 1960. In 1957, RCAB records indicate that he was diagnosed by a psychiatrist as having an adolescent, psychopathic personality after allegations that he was “parking” with two girls, one of whom was mentally ill. See Johnson, Richard G. 1-028-030. Notes from the Chancery indicate that the psychiatrist “insisted on the grave scandal that could be caused” if the mentally ill girl, “continues to talk.” See Johnson, Richard