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Jesuits Respond to Allegations of Abuse

The Chicago-Detroit province of the Society of Jesus recently addressed allegations by a former St. Ignatius High School student of abuse he suffered in the 1950s.

Jesuit Father William J. Murphy wrote a letter to all St. Ignatius alumni stating that allegations had been made against the late Father Ignatius Burrill who was on staff from 1952 to 1956.

The case was sent to the director of victim advocacy at the provincial and victims have been offered counseling.

Father Murphy reiterated that the Jesuit community does not "tolerate abuse" and encourages students to report any behavior that concerns them.