



## **Convicted pedophile ex-priest, living in North Arlington community.**

**Robert Joseph Petrella of 106 Ilford Ave**, has been convicted four times in Prince Georges County, Md. for Unnatural and Perverted Sex Practices against children. The Archdiocese of Washington, his former employer, has admitted at least 25 known victims.

*Due to a loophole Maryland law he is not required to register as a sex offender.*

In April of 2004, ex-priest Robert Petrella was released from a Md. Prison., In May of 2007 he was released from his probation with the State of Maryland. Because he was convicted of crimes that occurred before Megan's Law was passed, he is not required to register as a sex offender.

Legislation in Maryland to close this loophole failed last spring, but will be re-introduced in January by Del. Christopher Shank. Please contact him at [christopher.shank@house.state.md.us](mailto:christopher.shank@house.state.md.us) to support passage of hb761.

Petrella was defrocked in 2003 by Cardinal Ratzinger and Pope John Paul. Information about his past is available at [bishopaccountability.org](http://bishopaccountability.org)

**In order to protect your children, the whereabouts of dangerous predators like Petrella must be disclosed.**