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# Reorganization Confirmation & Settlement Case Documents

As one of the non-monetary terms for resolving the cases brought against the Diocese (*Whalen, et al. v. Roman Catholic Diocese of Helena, et al.,* and *Does, et al. v. Roman Catholic Diocese of Helena, et al.)*, the Diocese of Helena has agreed that: "For a period of not less than ten (10) years from the Effective Date, the Diocese will post on its website home page the names of all known past and present alleged perpetrators of the Diocese who are identified in the Sexual Abuse Claims or the complaints filed in the *Whalen* and *Does* cases as child sexual abusers between the 1930s and 1970s."

The Diocese also is listing priests against whom accusations of sexual abuse of minors have been made only to the Diocese. Should additional information come to light, the list will be modified accordingly.

The Diocese hopes that this step helps to provide a pathway to healing for those who have been abused and brings light into a dark and difficult chapter in our diocesan Church.

List posted April 29, 2015.

#### **Diocese of Helena Priests**

note that of the 417 priests ordained for the Diocese of Helena, 20 (4.8%) have been accused of sexual abuse of a minor, one has been acquitted.

#### James Barry - Ordained: 1951

Assignments: St. Mary Parish, Butte: 1951-56; Cathedral Parish, Helena: 1956-57; Holy Rosary Parish, Bozeman: 1957-58; US Air Force Chaplain: 1958-62; St. John Parish, Fairfield: 1962-66; St. Philip Parish,

Philipsburg: 1966-80.

Died September 8, 1980

#### John Bauer - Ordained: 1963

Assignments: St. Paul Parish, Anaconda: 1963-64; Sacred Heart Parish, Butte: 1964; Graduate Studies, St. Louis University: 1964-66; Director of Catholic Charities, Helena: 1966-1970; Sacred Heart Mission, Wolf Creek: 1968-1970

Leave of absence: September 1, 1970; Died: October 26, 1992

#### Harry Butori - Ordained: 1952

Assignments: Graduate studies, Rome: 1952-3; St. Michael Parish, Conrad: summer 1953; Carroll College: 1953-56; St. Peter Parish, Anaconda: 1956-57; St. Richard Parish, Columbia Falls: summer 1957; St. Matthew Parish, Kalispell: 1957-59; Cathedral Parish and Chancery, Helena: 1959-66; Girls Central High School, Butte: 1966-68; St. William Parish, Dutton: 1968-72; St Teresa of Avila Parish, Whitehall: 1972-80; St. Joseph Parish, Choteau: 1980-86; St. James Hospital, Butte: 1986-1990; Catholic Community North, Butte: 1990-1999; retired (residence at St. Patrick rectory, Butte): September 1, 1999

Died: March 14, 2005

# John Delane - Ordained: 1919

Assignments: St. Lawrence Parish, Walkerville: summer 1919; Mt St. Charles (Carroll) College: 1919-20; Chaplain, Montana State Prison, and State Hospitals at Galen and Warm Springs: 1920-26; St. Paul Parish, Anaconda: 1926-27; Immaculate Conception Parish, Butte: 1927-28; St. Mary of the Assumption Parish, Laurin: 1928-39; St. Philip Parish, Philipsburg: 39-42; St. Mary Parish, Helena: 1942-56; Chaplain St. Joseph Hospital, Deer Lodge: 1956-63; residence at Carroll College: 1963-71

Died: January 30, 1971

Harry Delaney - Ordained: 1925

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Assignments: St. Paul Parish, Anaconda: summer/fall 1925; St. Joseph Parish, Butte: 1925-34; St. Joseph Hospital, Deer Lodge: 1934-36; Our Lady of Mercy Parish, Eureka: 1936-54; General Hospital, Kalispell: 1954-

Died: March 11, 1957

#### George Ferguson - Ordained: 1956

Assignments: Anaconda: summer 1956; Sacred Heart Parish, Butte: 1956-57; Immaculate Conception Parish, Butte: 1957-59; Newman Chaplain/Christ the King Parish, Missoula: 1959-71; St. Catherine Parish, Bigfork: 1971-75; Mission in Guatemala: 1975-77; St. Anthony Parish, Missoula: 1977-78; St. William Parish, Thompson Falls: 1978-80; Sick leave, residence in Mexico: 1980-86

Died: June 12, 1986

#### Joseph Finnegan - Ordained: May 22, 1965

Note that criminal accusations were taken to Court, resulting in acquittal.

Assignments: Immaculate Conception Parish, Butte: 1965-72; Catholic Charities, Helena: 1972-73; Butte Youth Service Center: 1973-82; Leave: 1982-89; Special Assignment: 1989-93 and 1994-2002; St. Teresa Parish, Whitehall: 1993-94;

Retired: July 1, 2002

#### A.M.D. Gillen - ordained May 29, 1926 (in Canada)

Assignments in Diocese of Helena: St. Richard, Columbia Falls: 1950-51; St. Teresa of the Little Flower, Browning: 1951-1965

Left Diocese: September 1, 1965; Died: July 30, 1987

#### Daniel Harrington - Ordained: 1932

Assignments: Graduate Studies, Rome: 1932-33; St. Mary Parish, Butte: 1933-36; St. Patrick Parish, Butte: 1936-37; Immaculate Conception Parish, Butte: 1937-39; St. Peter Parish, Anaconda: 1939-42; Sacred Heart Parish, Ronan: 1942-1949; North American College, Rome: 1949-1952; Director of Catholic Charities, Helena: 1953-59; St. Joseph Home and St. John Hospital, Helena: 1958-59; Chaplain, Warm Springs: 1959-65; St. Joseph Parish, Butte: 1965-71; Holy Savior Parish, Butte: 1971-72; Retired (residence in Butte): November 10, 1972.

Died: November 23, 1997

## Robert Hartman - Ordained: 1947

Assignments: St. Patrick Parish, Butte: summer 1949; Cathedral Parish, Helena: 1949-56; Good Shepherd Home, Helena: 1956-65; St. Richard Parish, Columbia Falls: 1965-73; St. Mary Parish, Helena: 1973-77; St. Catherine Parish, Boulder: 1977-79; Holy Cross Parish, Townsend: 1979-85; St. Catherine Parish, Bigfork: 1985-94; Retired: March 1, 1994

Died: August 12, 1996

# Daniel Hillen - Ordained: 1969

Assignments: St. Patrick Parish, Butte: 1970-71; St. Ann Parish, Butte: 1971-74; Graduate studies: 1974 and 1977-79; Carroll College: 1974-2002; leave to begin art studio: 2002.

Died: July 19, 2003

#### John Kerrigan - Ordained: 1954

Assignments: St. Patrick Parish, Butte: 1954-55; St. Francis Parish, Hamilton: 1955-56; St. Mary Parish, Butte: 1956-59; St. Lawrence Parish, Walkerville: 1959-62; St. Rose Parish, Dillon: 1962-64; St. Ann Parish, Butte: 1964-65; Little Flower Parish, Browning: summer 1965; Holy Rosary Parish, Bozeman: 1965-66; St. Michael Parish, Drummond: 1966-72; St. Bartholomew Parish, White Sulphur Springs: 1972-77; St. Joseph Parish, Choteau: 1977-1980; St. James Parish, Plains: 1980-84; Sacred Heart Parish, Ronan: 1984.

Died: July 21, 1984

Paul Kirchen - Ordained: 1929

Assignment: Carroll College 1929-1980; retired, residence at Carroll College: July 1, 1980

Died: April 19, 1989

## Emmett Lowney - Ordained: 1949

Assignments: St. Paul Parish, Anaconda: 1949-51; St. Peter Parish, Anaconda: 1951-54; Chancery and Sacred Heart Mission, Wolf Creek: 1954-56; St. John Parish, Butte: 1956-57; St. Catherine Parish, Boulder: 1957-64; St. Michael Parish, Drummond: 1964-67; Retreat House, Deer Lodge: 1967-68; St. Mary Mission Parish, Stevensville: 1968-69; leave to Michigan: 1969

Died: July 31, 1975

# Bernard McCarthy - Ordained: 1947

Assignments: Cathedral, Helena: 1947-49; St. Patrick, Butte: 1949-52 & 1971-78; Sacred Heart, Ronan: 1957-68; St. Lawrence, Walkerville: 1968-71; St. Michael, Conrad: 1979-86; Risen Christ, Kalispell: 1986-89; Catholic Community North, Butte: 1989-90; St. James Community Hospital, Butte: 1990-92; Retired: 1992

Died: September 16, 2003

#### James McCormick - Ordained: 1924

Assignments: Carroll College: 1924-26 and 1927-51; St. Lawrence Parish, Walkerville: 1926-27 and 1951-56; Immaculate Conception Parish, Butte: 1956-67

Died: June 14, 1967

#### Dusan Okorn - Ordained: 1947

Arrived in Diocese of Helena: December 1949.

Assignments: St. Joseph Home, Helena: 1950-52; St. Peter Parish, Anaconda: 1952-53; St. Joseph Parish, Butte: 1953-55; St. Michael Parish, Conrad: 1955-58; St. Richard Parish, Columbia Falls: 1958-63; St. Catherine Parish, Bigfork: 1963-71; St. Mary Mission Parish, Stevensville: 1971-78; Sycamore Center, Living Water Mission, Seeley Lake, Our Lady of the Swan Valley Mission, Condon: 1978-2006; Retired: 2006

Died: January 10, 2010

#### Robert O'Donnell - Ordained: 1966

Assignments: St. John Parish and Girls Central High School, Butte: 1966-68; Central High School, Helena: 1968-1969; Central High School, Butte: 1969-1972; Cathedral Parish, Helena: 1972-1979; Chancery: 1979-85; St. Mary Parish, Helena: 1983-85; Sabbatical: 1985-86; Diocese of Honolulu: 1987; Incardinated into Diocese of Honolulu: July 17, 1990.

Died: July 29, 1995

#### Wilson Smart - Ordained: 1957

Assignments: St. Peter Parish, Anaconda: 1957-59; St. Ann Parish, Butte: 1959-60 and 1966-69; St. Anthony Parish, Missoula: 1960-63; Cathedral Parish, Helena: 1963-65; St. Mary Parish, Butte: 1965-66; St. Richard Parish, Columbia Falls: 1969-74; Our Lady of Mercy Parish, Eureka: 1974-80; St. Bartholomew Parish, White Sulphur Springs: 1980-82; St. Joseph Parish, Harlowton: 1980-90; Leave of absence: 1990; Laicized: July 9, 2003

Died: November 10, 2006

# Leonard Spraycar - Ordained: 1947

Assignments: St. Peter Parish, Anaconda: 1947-48 and 1954-55; St. Ann Parish, Butte: 1948-51; Chancery, Legendary Lodge & Sacred Heart Mission, Wolf Creek: 1951-54; St. Joseph Parish, Butte: 1955-59; St. Thomas Parish, Helmville: 1959-64; St. Philip Parish, Philipsburg: 1964-66; St. John Parish, Fairfield: 1966-68; St. Joseph Parish, Anaconda: 1968-73; St. Richard Parish, Columbia Falls: 1973-78; St. William Parish, Dutton: 1978-80; St. Patrick Hospital, Missoula: 1980-84

Died: March 31, 1984

## Patrick Stimatz - Ordained: 1946

Assignments: Holy Rosary Parish, Bozeman: 1946-50; St. John Parish, Butte: 1950-59; St. Mary of the

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Assumption Parish, Laurin: 1959-65; Little Flower Parish, Browning: 1965-72; Chaplain, Montana State Prison:

1972-86

Died: May 4, 1986

# Jesuit Priests or Brothers - principally from Oregon Province, Society of Jesus

names provided by the plaintiffs; assignment information from the National Catholic Directory; other information is from the Oregon Province, Society of Jesus

Joseph Balfe, SJ - Ordained: 1927

Assignments in Diocese of Helena: St. Ignatius Mission Parish: 1931-35; 1945-53; St. Francis Xavier Parish,

Missoula: 1936 & 44;

Left Diocese: 1953; Died: September 29, 1969

Victor Charlo - Jesuit Seminarian; not assigned in Montana

Thomas Connolly, SJ – not assigned in Montana

#### M.A. Dimier, SJ - [Ordination Date unavailable]

Assignment in Diocese: St. Ignatius Mission Parish, St. Ignatius: 1930-50

Died: June 14, 1950

#### A.J. Ferretti, SJ ("Fr. Freddy") - Ordained: 1941

Assignments in Diocese: St. Ignatius Mission Parish, St. Ignatius: 1953; 1964-69;

Left Diocese: 1969; Died: June 28, 1982

# Rene Gallant ("Brother Charlie"), SJ - no record of assignments

Died: July 23, 1975 at St. Ignatius

# Louis Geis, SJ - Ordained: 1939

Assignments in Diocese: St. Ignatius Mission Parish, St. Ignatius 1959-62; St. Francis Xavier Parish, Missoula:

1949-56 & 1963-92;

Left Diocese 1992; Died: July 8, 1994

# Bernard Harris, SJ - Ordained: 1945

Assignment in Diocese: St. Francis Xavier Parish, Missoula: 1954-69 and 72

Died: September 7, 1972

# Egon Mallman, SJ - Ordained: 1929

Assignments in Diocese: St. Anne Parish, Heart Butte: 1934-1976;

Left Diocese: 1976; Died: August 20, 1980

#### Gabriel Menager, SJ - [Ordination date unavailable]

Assignments in Diocese: St. Ignatius Mission Parish, St. Ignatius: 1940-45;

Left Diocese: 1945; Died: July 28 1966

# Joseph Obersinner, SJ - Ordained: 1957

Assignments in Diocese: St. Ignatius Mission Parish, St. Ignatius: 1972-80; St. Francis Xavier Parish, Missoula:

1989-91;

Left Diocese: 1991

# Edmund Robinson ("Father Eddy"), SJ - Ordained: 1955

Assignments in Diocese: St. Ignatius Mission Parish, St. Ignatius: 1963-64; 1969-81; Left Diocese in 1981;

Died: May 22, 2014

#### Br. John Sorisio, SJ

Worked at St. Ignatius from 1915 until his death on July 20, 1957

#### Louis Taelman, SJ - Ordained: 1898

Assignments in Diocese: St. Ignatius Mission Parish, St. Ignatius: 1930-40 and 1953-58;

Left Diocese: 1958; Died: December 24, 1961

#### **Norbertine Priests**

while serving in the Diocese of Helena

#### John Kohnke, O Praem - ordained: March 22, 1937

Assignments in Diocese of Helena: St. Thomas Parish, Sunburst: 1955; St. William Parish, Shelby: 1960-64

Left diocese: August 19, 1964; Died: September 2, 1987

#### Martin Philipsen, O Praem - ordained: June 18, 1942

Assignments in Diocese of Helena: St. William Parish, Shelby: 1971-78

Left diocese: 1978; Died: August 21, 1988

# Peter Pritzl, O Praem - ordained: April 25, 1929

Assignments in Diocese of Helena: St. Margaret Parish, Cut Bank: 1962-63; St. William Parish, Shelby: 1963-

71; St. Thomas Parish, Sunburst: 1971-74

Left diocese: 1974; Died: October 3, 1993

# Diocese cannot verify the following individuals identified in claims as priests

Burke (first name unknown)

Byrnes or Burns (first name unknown), SJ

Callan (first name unknown)

Estes (first name unknown)

Gannon (first name unknown), SJ

Gilmore (first name unknown)

Harper (unknown)

John (last name unknown), SJ

Larson (first name unknown), SJ

James O'Brien, SJ

Sullinger (unknown)

Sullivan (first name unknown)

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#### Lay Persons at St. Ignatius

Mr. Crawford

Dave (last name unknown)

Ms. Knauf

# Ursuline Sisters serving at St. Ignatius between 1940 and 1975

names provided by plaintiffs

Mother Bernadette, OSU

Sister Camilla, OSU

Sister Catherine, OSU

Mother Cecelia, OSU (Frances Seymor)

Mother Clement Marie, OSU

Sister Daniels, OSU

Mother Finbarr, OSU

Sister Frances, OSU

Mother Grace, OSU

Sister Henrietta, OSU

Sister John, OSU

Mother Loyola, OSU (Rufina Karges)

Sister Mackey, OSU

Mother Marianne, OSU

Sister Mary Laurence, OSU

Sister Margaret, OSU

Sister Marion, OSU

Sister Martin, OSU

Sister Monica, OSU

Sister Rita, OSU

Sister Teresa, OSU

# Sisters from other Communities

while serving in the Diocese of Helena

Mother Catherine, RGS - Good Shepherd Home, Helena

Sister Glenniatoss – (religious community uncertain)

Sister Mary Agnes Rose, BVM - Immaculate Conception School, Butte

Sister Mary Victor, SCL - St. Helena School, Helena

Sister Monica, OP - St. Margaret School, Cut Bank

Sister Richildus, OP - St. Margaret School, Cut Bank



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