

## Church Worker Jailed in Sex Case



St. Ann Catholic Church on Roswell Road



Father Raymond Cadran Associate Pastor

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Police in Florida arrested a man Thursday on charges he molested at least three boys while working at a Catholic church in Marietta, Ga.

Kenneth Cassity, 43, worked for a year as an aspirant at [St. Ann's Catholic Church](#) on Roswell Road from the summer of 1999 to the summer of 2000.

An aspirant is someone who is considering a career as a priest, but has not yet been ordained.

[Police in Cobb County](#) said that it was during his time at the church that Cassity molested the boys, described as either teens or pre-teens. One of the alleged incidences occurred out of state.

One of the boys came forward recently.

"They knew what had occurred and because of that wrong feeling, they knew to come forward," said Cobb Police spokesman Dana Pierce.

Cassity, of Auburndale, Fla., apparently lists two residences. Police in Polk County tracked him down Thursday after getting word from Cobb County police to be on the lookout.

Cassity will be extradited back to Georgia to face the charges.

At St. Ann's, he lived with a community of priests from the LaSalette Order. Church officials say Cassity, himself, was not a priest, seminarian, nor a member of the clergy.

"He was for want of a better term an onlooker," said Rev. Raymond Cadran, an Associate Pastor.

Cassity was assigned only to take care of the grounds and visit the sick, Cadran told 11Alive News. He was asked to leave St. Ann's in August 2000.

"The fit we felt was not there on both ends and the decision was made for him to move on to whatever other career he was going to go into."

The Archdiocese of Atlanta said it was not appropriate to comment on the case.

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