

## **Father William I. Shinnick - Archdiocese of Boston**

### **Assignment Record:**

<b>Year</b>	<b>Assignment</b>
1942	Ordained
1943 - 1945	St. Jerome's Church, Arlington, MA
1946 - 1949	St. Rose's Church, Chelsea, MA
1950 - 1953	Most Precious Blood, Hyde Park, MA
1954	St. Gregory's Church, Dorchester, MA
1955 - 1958	St. John's Church, Roxbury, MA
1959 - 1960	St. Mary's Church, Charlestown, MA
1961	St. Patrick's Church (West), Lynn, MA
1962 - 1969	St. James' Church, Arlington, MA
1970 - 1981	St. Maria Goretti Church, Lynnfield Centre, MA
	Died May 10, 1981

### **Sources:**

- **The Official Catholic Directory, Kenedy & Sons**

### **Summary:**

- Father William I. Shinnick was accused of sexually abusing a female minor child on approximately 60 occasions from approximately 1960 when the girl was approximately ten years old until approximately 1964 when the girl was approximately fourteen years old. During the sexual abuse, Father Shinnick was assigned to St. Mary's Church in Charlestown, MA, St. Patrick's Church (West) in Lynn, MA, and St. James' Church in Arlington, MA. The sexual abuse took place inside the girl's childhood home.
- The sexual abuse by Father Shinnick included the following: Father Shinnick kissing the girl on the mouth, putting his tongue in her mouth; Father Shinnick fondling the girl's breasts, buttocks, and genitals.
- The claim settled in 2023 in the low six figures.