

Natalie E. Nitsche
Town Clerk



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Deputy Town Clerks
Jill Slisz
Wendy Pietrzak

TO: Police Dept.
FROM: Natalie E. Nitsche
DATE: 08/10/2026

Request Reference #2026-00448

Request Subject: Criminal Reports on Peter J Karalus AT Blessed John Paul II In Lake View NY

Request Record Date:

Request Address:

Request Description: Criminal complaints or blotters

Additional Info: I am requesting any information on Father Peter J Karalus. I am requesting criminal investigation or complaints while he was Pastor At Blessed John Paul II

On 08/04/2026, I received the FOIA request with the information provided above. The request relates to information that may be available in your department. Please review the request and forward all records to my office.

An acknowledgement letter was sent to the requester on 08/10/2026 with an approximate date to release records of 09/07/2026.

Please respond within five business days of receipt of the FOIA request, or before the record release date. Once the records have been received by my office, I will review the request and contact the requester.

If you have any questions, or require further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Natalie E. Nitsche
FOIL Officer
Town of Hamburg

[Handwritten signatures and date]
8/17/26

TOWN OF HAMBURG POLICE DEPARTMENT

Complaint Information



Complaint# 12-021756 **Date Received:** 08/31/2012 **Source:** OTHER

Dispatch Code: 3500 **Description:** OTHER LAWS **Call Type:** POLICE

Street: 2052 LAKEVIEW RD **Dispatch District:** HT

Cross Street: **Municipality:** HAMBURG TOWN

Business: BLESSED JOHN PAUL II **Call Back:**

Times:
Received: 08/31/2012 14:28:35
Dispatched: 08/31/2012 14:28:36
Arrived: 08/31/2012 14:28:37
Completed: 08/31/2012 14:28:38

Received By: () **Dispatcher:** BUTERA, ANGELO C (100)

Report (follow up):

Officers:	<u>Name</u>	<u>Badge</u>
	BUTERA, ANGELO C	100

Disposition Codes:

Associated Persons:

Offender - KARALUS, PETER J. [REDACTED]

Remarks:

08/31/2012 14:32:07 THM 100

RECIEVED CPS REFERRAL FOR POSSIBLE INAPPROPRIATE CONDUCT WITH YOUNG BOYS OF THE PARISH.

09/06/2012 12:25:54 THM 100

REPORTING DETECTIVE DID MEET WITH BISHOP MALONE IN REGARDS TO REFERRAL THAT WAS SENT BY PARISHONER'S TO ARCH BISHOP VIGANO. HE STATED THAT HE DID RECIEVE THE LETTER THAT WAS FORWARDED FROM THE ARCH BISHOP IN WASHINGTON, D.C., HE STATED THAT THE LETTER WAS AMONG OTHER MAIL IN HIS BRIEFCASE AND HE WILL BE INTERVIEWING FATHER KARALUS AND MONSIGNOR LIPIUMA IN REGARDS TO THE THE ALLEGATIONS IN THE LETTER. HE WILL CONTACT REPORTING DETECTIVE WITH THE OUTCOME.

02/03/2013 10:32:15 THM 100

REPORTING DETECTIVE DID RECIEVE A MESSAGE FROM BISHOP MALONE IN REGARDS TO PASTER AT BLESSED JOHN PAUL II CHURCH. HE STATED THAT HE HAD A MEETING WITH THE PRIEST ABOUT ALLEGATIONS MADE BY LETTER IN REGARDS TO HIS IMPROPER CONDUCT WITH YOUNG BOYS. THE ALLEGATION WAS DENIED AND THE BISHOP FEELS THAT IT IS UNFOUNDED. NO FURTHER ACTION AT THIS TIME.