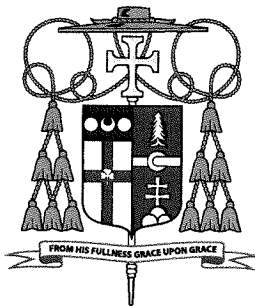


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Dear Friends in Christ,

With this letter it is my most unwelcome, yet necessary, duty to visit a sorry chapter of the Diocese of Harrisburg's history, the one concerning the sexual abuse of minors. As has been the subject of much public discussion, the Diocese has unfortunately, at times, been the home of men originally called to the service of God who, for reasons unknown and unfathomable, instead ignored that summons and turned to the pursuit of heinous personal ends. That conduct has left a legacy of pain and sorrow that is still being felt. On behalf of the Diocese of Harrisburg, I apologize for these actions.

While these past harms cannot be undone, it is my hope that today I can do my part, as the present Chief Shepherd of the Diocese, to salve some of these historic wounds with the healing touch of transparency. To that end, shortly after I was installed as the Bishop of Harrisburg, I instructed my staff to gather the Diocese's records and summarize them to create a list of clerics and seminarians who stood accused of sexual abuse of children. In late 2016, the Diocese was prepared to publish such a list, yet the Office of Attorney General requested, in order to protect its then-ongoing grand jury investigation, that the Diocese stand down on that effort. The Diocese honored that request.

Now, however, with the investigation at an end, I have directed that such a list again be made available. Accordingly, today the Diocese is releasing a list of clergy and seminarians who have been the subject of allegations of sexual abuse of children. This list will be available on the Diocese's website for the foreseeable future and will be amended as necessary going forward.

With this said, I believe a few words about the methodology behind this list are in order. As a threshold matter, the list is composed of men who were the subject of *accusations* of sexual abuse of a child. The Diocese did not make an assessment of credibility or guilt about these allegations, or the underlying conduct, for a host of reasons. Chief among them was that, frankly, the Diocese's historical investigations and record-keeping were inadequate in many cases to form a firm platform for the assessment of credibility or guilt. Thus, I elected to rely instead on allegations alone as the touchstone for the list construction. Despite this standard, not *every* man accused of abuse was included. In some cases, despite the Diocese receiving an allegation of abuse, additional evidence existed—generated by law enforcement, the Diocese, or both—showing the allegation was unsubstantiated. Cases in that realm were not committed to the list; I can assure you that they were few in number and I can also assure you that all allegations of abuse presented to the Diocese to date have been turned over to law enforcement. The past described in this letter and in the list is no longer a private one.

Further, I made a decision with this list that perhaps yield somewhat atypical results from other lists made public by other dioceses. After much consideration, I decided to include the names of men who were only the subject of an allegation of sexual abuse of a child after they were deceased, and thus unable to respond to the allegation. While these men are not a risk to the public, I still felt compelled to release their names in an effort to confirm for those brave survivors who have come forward, and those who still have not, that we have heard their cries and taken them seriously. I hope that this leads to some healing, however small it may be.

In closing, while this list cannot undo that which has been done, it is my sincere hope that it can in some way bring relief to those who have unfortunately been harmed throughout our history. In the meantime, the Diocese will remain steadfast in its efforts to ensure that this chapter never repeats. I also recommit myself, my staff, all clergy, and every man and woman associated with the Diocese to eradicate abuse in our midst.

Respectfully In Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ronald W. Gainer". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized initial "R" and a cross-like symbol at the beginning.

Most Rev. Ronald W. Gainer
Bishop of the Diocese of Harrisburg

DIocese of Harrisburg List of Clergy & Seminarians Accused of Sexual Abuse of a Child

The Diocese of Harrisburg publishes the following list of clergy and seminarians who served in the Diocese and who were *accused* of sexual abuse of a child since the 1940s. The term “accused” is emphasized to note that the list below includes summations of accusations; the list does not include assessments of credibility or guilt. For more information regarding what is included and what is not included in this list, please see Bishop Ronald W. Gainer’s letter. Further, the following list does not contain those cases where the accusation was deemed not substantiated, meaning it was an accusation which, after review by law enforcement or Diocesan reviewers, was not supported by sufficient evidence to establish the probability that the accused cleric or seminarian committed sexual abuse of a child. As used here, the phrase “sexual abuse of a child” means sexual molestation or sexual exploitation of a child (a person under the age of 18) and other behavior by which an adult uses a child as an object of sexual gratification, including attempted behavior.

Of the 71 names listed below, 37 were priests of the Diocese of Harrisburg, 3 were deacons of the Diocese, 6 were seminarians of the Diocese, 9 were clergy of other dioceses, and 16 were from religious communities.

A. CASES WHERE ABUSE WAS FIRST ALLEGED WHILE THE ACCUSED WAS LIVING

This section contains the names of those clergy and seminarians who served in the Diocese and who were alive when the Diocese received the first allegation against them of sexual abuse of a child. Individuals listed in each subcategory may fit into multiple subcategories; however, individuals were placed into the subcategory that most fit the nature of the allegation(s).

Cases Involving Allegations of Indecent Behavior

Name	Description	Alive or Dead	DOH, Other Diocese, or Order
Agudelo Cano, Alexander Darío	Alexander Cano was accused of sexual abuse of a child.	ALIVE	DOH (seminarian)
Allen, Francis (Scotty), II	Francis Allen was accused of sexual abuse of a child by two survivors.	DEAD	DOH (seminarian)
Allen, John	Multiple allegations of sexual abuse of children.	ALIVE	DOH (priest)
Bach, Francis	Multiple allegations of sexual abuse of children.	DEAD	DOH (priest)
Barajas Arias, Luis Jesus	Fr. Barajas was accused of sexual abuse of a child.	ALIVE	ORDER--Order of Most Blessed Trinity
Barry, Richard	Multiple allegations of sexual abuse of children.	UNK	ORDER--OMI
Beeman, James	Multiple allegations of sexual abuse of children.	DEAD	DOH (priest)
Bostwick, John, III	Fr. Bostwick was the subject of two accusations of sexual abuse of a child.	ALIVE	OTHER DIOCESE--Diocese of Richmond

Name	Description	Alive or Dead	DOH, Other Diocese, or Order
Giella, Augustine	Multiple allegations of sexual abuse of children.	DEAD	OTHER DIOCESE-- Archdiocese of Newark
Gonzalez, Ronald	Deacon Gonzalez was a permanent deacon of the Diocese of Dallas. He was accused of sexually abusing a child, which included abuse while he lived in Pennsylvania and was a chaplain at a federal prison.	ALIVE	OTHER DIOCESE-- Diocese of Dallas
Haney, Thomas Ronald	In life, Fr. Haney was accused of inappropriate touching and comments toward a child. After death, he was accused of sexual abuse of a child by the survivor.	DEAD	DOH (priest)
Haviland, William	Fr. Haviland was accused of sexual abuse of a child.	DEAD	DOH (priest)
Herber, John	Multiple allegations of sexual abuse of children.	DEAD	ORDER--CPPS
Hower, Philip	Philip Hower was accused of sexual abuse of a child.	ALIVE	DOH (seminarian)
Koychick, George	Multiple allegations of sexual abuse of children.	DEAD	DOH (priest)
Labuda, Kevin	Kevin Labuda was accused of sexual abuse of a child.	ALIVE	DOH (seminarian)
Long, Arthur	Fr. Long was accused of soliciting a child for sex. The Diocese also received an allegation that Fr. Long was engaged in a sexual relationship with an adult that began when the adult was a child.	DEAD	ORDER--SJ
Luck, David	Two allegations received of sexual abuse of children.	ALIVE	DOH (priest)
Marsico, Guy	Multiple allegations of sexual abuse of children.	ALIVE	DOH (priest)
McGinley, Anthony	Multiple allegations of sexual abuse of children.	DEAD	DOH (priest)
Pease, Joseph	Multiple allegations of sexual abuse of children.	ALIVE	DOH (priest)
Procopio, Charles	The Diocese received an allegation that Fr. Procopio was inappropriately touching and kissing minors.	DEAD	DOH (priest)
Quiroz Reyes, Guido Miguel	Multiple allegations of sexual abuse of children.	UNK	ORDER--OFM
Rebovich, John	Fr. Rebovich was accused of sexual abuse of a child by the survivor. According to online reports, years before the Diocese received the allegation of abuse against Fr. Rebovich, Fr. Rebovich was accused in other dioceses of sexual abuse of children.	DEAD	ORDER--OSJ
Scala, Thomas	Two allegations received of sexual abuse of children.	ALIVE	DOH (priest)

Name	Description	Alive or Dead	DOH, Other Diocese, or Order
Shank, Herbert	Multiple allegations of sexual abuse of children.	ALIVE	DOH (priest)
Sperber, Timothy	A survivor accused a "Fr. Tim" of sexually abusing her as a child. According to written Diocesan records, it was presumed but never established that the accusation was against Fr. Tim Sperber because he was assigned to the rectory where and when the survivor stated the abuse occurred.	ALIVE	DOH (priest)
Steffen, Carl	Fr. Steffen was accused of sexual abuse of a child by the survivor. Also, Fr. Steffen was accused of inappropriate questioning of multiple children regarding sexual subject matter.	DEAD	DOH (priest)
Tokarick, John, Jr.	John Tokarick was accused of sexual abuse of a child by the survivor.	ALIVE	DOH (seminarian)
Zangari, Salvatore	Multiple allegations of sexual abuse of children.	DEAD	DOH (priest)

Cases Involving Allegations of Inappropriate Behavior (e.g., Kissing)

Name	Description	Alive or Dead	DOH, Other Diocese, or Order
Emala, Walter	An individual alleged that she saw Fr. Emala kiss a minor on the lips, sometime in the early 1980s. Fr. Emala is on the list of accused priests of the Archdiocese of Baltimore.	DEAD	OTHER DIOCESE-- Diocese of Memphis
Mercado, Ibarra	The Diocese received an allegation from the Military Archdiocese that Fr. Mercado had been accused of kissing a child on the grounds of the Lebanon VA Hospital.	UNK	OTHER DIOCESE-- Archdiocese of the Military
Rush, James	Deacon Rush was accused of hugging and kissing a child, holding hands with the child, and saying various things to the child suggesting they were in a relationship.	ALIVE	OTHER DIOCESE-- Archdiocese of New York

Cases Involving Allegations of Child Pornography

Name	Description	Alive or Dead	DOH, Other Diocese, or Order
Cramer, Donald, II	Fr. Cramer was investigated by Homeland Security for possible child pornography and federal law violations. Homeland Security found nothing criminal on his computer and ceased to investigate him further.	ALIVE	DOH (priest)
Fisher, Paul	Fr. Fisher admitted that he visited some websites that may have contained images of unclothed minors. A forensic examination was done of his computer and turned over to the FBI; the FBI found no criminal images. The matter was re-investigated later and additional images were recovered from his computer. Those images were turned over to the district attorney who concluded the computer did not contain criminal images.	ALIVE	DOH (priest)
Hackman, Donald (Tim)	Deacon Hackman guilty in federal court to sending child pornography.	ALIVE	DOH (deacon)
Kayda, Kevin, II	Fr. Kayda's personal laptop was forensically evaluated and found to contain images of child pornography as well as internet usage involving child pornography websites.	DEAD	DOH (priest)
Kujovsky, Thomas	The Diocese received an allegation that pornography was found in Msgr. Kujovsky's room that contained an image of a nude altar boy. In another incident, a book of animated pornography was found in Msgr. Kujovsky's room that appeared to depict child sex abuse. The animated book was turned over to the district attorney who concluded it was not criminal.	DEAD	DOH (priest)

Cases Involving Allegations of Inappropriate Communications With Children

Name	Description	Alive or Dead	DOH, Other Diocese, or Order
Logue, Robert	The Diocese received an accusation that Deacon Logue had inappropriate communications with a child.	ALIVE	DOH (deacon)
Schlager, Bryan	Bryan Schlager was accused of engaging in a number of inappropriate communications with several children.	ALIVE	DOH (seminarian)

B. CASES WHERE ABUSE WAS FIRST ALLEGED AFTER THE ACCUSED'S DEATH

This section contains the names of those clergy and seminarians who served in the Diocese and who were deceased when the Diocese received the first allegation against them of sexual abuse of a child. Individuals listed in each subcategory may fit into multiple subcategories; however, individuals were placed into the subcategory that most fit the nature of the allegation(s).

Cases Involving Allegations of Indecent Behavior

Name	Description	Alive or Dead	DOH, Other Diocese, or Order
Bolen, John	After his death, Fr. Bolen was accused of sexual abuse of a child by the survivor.	DEAD	DOH (priest)
D'Alessandro, Patrick	After his death, Fr. D'Alessandro was accused of sexual abuse of a child by the survivor.	DEAD	DOH (priest)
DeChico, Philip	After his death, Fr. DeChico was accused of sexual abuse of a child by the survivor.	DEAD	DOH (priest)
Dougherty, Raymond	After his death, Fr. Dougherty was accused of sexual abuse of a child by the survivor.	DEAD	DOH (priest)
Driscoll, Joseph	After his death, Fr. Driscoll was accused of sexual abuse of a child by the survivor.	DEAD	ORDER--CSSR
Hager, Joseph	After his death, Msgr. Hager was accused of sexual abuse of a child by the survivor.	DEAD	DOH (priest)
Hudak, Francis	After his death, Fr. Hudak was accused of sexual abuse of a child by the survivor.	DEAD	DOH (priest)
Lawler, Thomas	After his death, Fr. Lawler was accused of sexual abuse of a child by two survivors.	DEAD	DOH (priest)
Maier, Robert	After his death, Msgr. Maier was the subject of multiple allegations of sexual abuse of children.	DEAD	DOH (priest)
Mahoney, Daniel	After his death, Fr. Mahoney was accused of sexual abuse of a child by the survivor and by another person.	DEAD	DOH (priest)
Murphy, Neil	After his death, Fr. Murphy was accused of sexual abuse of a child by the survivor.	DEAD	DOH (priest)
Noel, James	After his death, Fr. Noel was accused of sexual abuse of a child by the survivor.	DEAD	DOH (priest)
Rolko, Stephen	After his death, Fr. Rolko was accused of sexual abuse of a child by the survivor.	DEAD	DOH (priest)
Suknaic, John	After his death, Fr. Suknaic was accused of sexual abuse of a child.	DEAD	DOH (priest)
Taylor, Francis	After his death, Fr. Taylor was accused of sexual abuse of a child by the survivor.	DEAD	DOH (priest)
Vaughn, Frederick	After his death, Fr. Vaughn was the subject of multiple allegations of sexual abuse of children.	DEAD	DOH (priest)
Vecera, James	After his death, Deacon Vecera was accused of sexual abuse of a child by the survivor.	DEAD	DOH (deacon)

Cases Involving Allegations of Inappropriate Behavior (e.g., Kissing)

Name	Description	Alive or Dead	DOH, Other Diocese, or Order
Bradel, Frederick	After his death, Fr. Bradel was accused of several years of inappropriate behavior by the survivor.	DEAD	DOH (priest)
McDevitt, John	After his death, Fr. McDevitt was accused of kissing a child. Also after his death, Fr. McDevitt was named in a lawsuit filed in Delaware alleging Fr. McDevitt committed sexual abuse of a child.	DEAD	ORDER--Oblates of St. Francis DeSales

C. CASES WHERE ABUSE WAS ALLEGED TO HAVE OCCURRED IN ANOTHER DIOCESE

This section contains the names of those clergy and seminarians who served in the Diocese, or who have some limited connection to the Diocese, and who have no allegations against them of sexual abuse of a child from their tenure in the Diocese, but who have been accused of such abuse in another diocese.

Name	Description	Alive or Dead	DOH, Other Diocese, or Order
Bugge, Gerard (or Gerald)	Fr. Bugge served in the Diocese, but was not the subject of any allegation of abuse. Fr. Bugge is on the list of accused priests of the Archdiocese of Baltimore.	DEAD	ORDER--Redemptorist
Cawley, William	Fr. Cawley served in the Diocese, but was not the subject of any allegation of abuse. The Diocese received a report that Fr. Cawley was accused of sexual abuse of a child in a lawsuit in Wyoming.	ALIVE	OTHER DIOCESE--Diocese of Great Falls/Billings
Flanagan, Bernard	Fr. Flanagan was a priest of the Diocese of Allentown. He was used as a chaperone for an un-sanctioned international trip (i.e., the trip was not authorized by the Diocese), attended by students of Bishop McDevitt High School. News reports reveal Fr. Flanagan was the subject of a sexual abuse allegation in the Diocese of Allentown.	ALIVE	OTHER DIOCESE--Diocese of Allentown
Geiger, William	Fr. Geiger served in the Diocese, but was not the subject of any allegation of abuse. According to online reports, Fr. Geiger was accused in a lawsuit in Ohio of abusing three individuals there when they were children.	DEAD	ORDER--Redemptorist

Name	Description	Alive or Dead	DOH, Other Diocese, or Order
Konat, Edward	Fr. Konat briefly had faculties in the Diocese. Shortly after his assignment, however, the Diocese received a report from the Diocese of Salt Lake City that while Fr. Konat was there he was several times accused of “sexual advances” toward young men. Fr. Konat was then immediately asked to tender his resignation, which he did. No allegations of abuse are in his file from his tenure in the Diocese of Harrisburg.	UNK	ORDER--SJ
Krakovsky, Reginald	Fr. Krakovsky served in the Diocese, but was not the subject of any allegation of abuse. Fr. Krakovsky is on the list of accused priests of the Diocese of St. Cloud (Minnesota) (spelled “Krakovski” on the St. Cloud list).	DEAD	ORDER--Franciscan Friars of the Third Order Regular
Kucan, Jerome	Fr. Kucan served in the Diocese, but was not the subject of any allegation of abuse. Fr. Kucan is on the list of accused priests of the Diocese of Erie.	DEAD	ORDER--OFM
Poandl, Robert	Fr. Poandl served in the Diocese, but was not the subject of any allegation of abuse. According to online reports, Fr. Poandl was convicted in federal court for transporting a minor across state lines for purposes of sex. The conviction did not involve conducting occurring during Fr. Poandl’s tenure in the Diocese of Harrisburg.	ALIVE	ORDER--Glenmary Home Missioners
Presley, William	Fr. Presley served in the Diocese, but was not the subject of any allegation of abuse. Fr. Presley is on the list of accused priests of the Diocese of Erie.	DEAD	OTHER DIOCESE--Diocese of Erie
Prybis, Raymond	Fr. Prybis served in the Diocese, but was not the subject of any allegation of abuse. According to online reports, Fr. Prybis was accused of sexual misconduct with a child while Fr. Prybis was in Massachusetts.	ALIVE	ORDER--OMI
Shannon, Patrick	Fr. Shannon served in the Diocese, but was not the subject of any allegation of abuse. Fr. Shannon was accused by the survivor of sexual abuse of a child regarding abuse the survivor suffered in Maryland while Fr. Shannon was not associated with the Diocese of Harrisburg.	ALIVE	ORDER--OSFS
Shaughnessey, James	Fr. Shaughnessey served in the Diocese, but was not the subject of any allegation of abuse. Fr. Shaughnessey is on the list of accused priests of the Archdiocese of Boston.	DEAD	DOH (priest)