

To the Members of the Diocese of Corpus Christi,

In an effort to restore trust where it has been damaged, I am presenting the names of the Roman Catholic clerics who have been credibly accused of sexually abusing a minor within the Diocese of Corpus Christi.

An Independent Committee comprised of outside legal professionals reviewed all cleric files to determine whether an allegation was credible. This Committee reviewed approximately 1500 priests' files and 180 deacon's files. In some cases, files were also reviewed by the Diocesan Review Board. The Diocese of Corpus Christi accepted all recommendations from the Independent Committee and the Diocesan Review Board regarding the names to be included on this list.

The list of names is arranged and grouped into the following: *Religious Order Clerics & Extern Clerics* and *Clerics From or Incardinated into the Diocese of Corpus Christi*. If a cleric is a member of a religious order, the initials of the order follow the name. If a cleric was originally ordained for a religious order, that is also indicated. The Diocese has worked diligently to be accurate with the information presented. If any information is found to be incorrect, please contact Mrs. Stephanie Bonilla, Victim Assistance Coordinator at 361-693-6686.

Historically, a small part of the Diocese of Victoria, part of the Dioceses of Brownsville and Laredo belonged to the Diocese of Corpus Christi. It is important to note that some of the clerics on the attached list served in what is now either the Diocese of Brownsville or Laredo.

Any person with knowledge of a cleric member who is suspected of sexually abusing a minor within the Diocese of Corpus Christi should report such allegation to local law enforcement. Please report such information to Mrs. Stephanie Bonilla, Victim Assistance Coordinator at 361-693-6686.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+Most Reverend Michael Mulvey, STL, DD
Bishop of Corpus Christi

N.B. A determination that an allegation against a member of the clergy is credible is not equivalent to a finding by a judge or jury that the cleric is liable or guilty of the sexual abuse of a minor under canon, civil or criminal law.

RELIGIOUS ORDER CLERICS & EXTERN CLERICS
(Clerics not from the Diocese of Corpus Christi)

Name:

Bishop Joseph V. Sullivan

Date of Birth:

8/15/1919

Ordination & Prior Status:

Ordination: 6/1/1946 (Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph)

Episcopal ordination: 4/3/1967 (Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph; Diocese of Baton Rouge)

Extern cleric who visited the Diocese of Corpus Christi

Current Status:

Deceased 9/4/1982

Name:

Rev. Russell Gerard Appleby, MSF

Date of Birth:

10/3/1934

Ordination & Prior Status:

Ordination: 3/26/1966 (Missionaries of the Holy Family)

Current Status:

Removed from ministry in Diocese of Corpus Christi, September 1983

Laicized & Dismissed from the Missionaries of the Holy Family Order 3/18/1995

Deceased 2005 in Pinella County Jail

Name:

Rev. Robert J. Bedrosian, MSF

Date of Birth:

7/7/1937

Ordination & Prior Status:

Ordination: 3/26/1965 (Missionaries of the Holy Family)

Current Status:

Left Diocese of Corpus Christi 1979

Left Missionaries of the Holy Family order 1985

Deceased 10/1/2014

Name:

Rev. John M. Fiala, SOLT

Date of Birth:

10/14/1960

Ordination & Prior Status:

Ordination: 6/2/1984 (Society of Our Lady of the Most Holy Trinity)

Current Status:

Criminal conviction (I): 5/17/12

Criminal conviction (II): 12/2/2014

Deceased 2017

Name:

Rev. Edward J. Horan, SOLT

Date of Birth:

3/1/1918

Ordination & Prior Status:

Ordination: 6/27/1987 (Society of Our Lady of the Most Holy Trinity)

Current Status:

Retired 1996

Deceased 1997

Name:

Rev. Patrick Koch, SJ

Date of Birth:

11/8/1927

Ordination & Prior Status:

Ordination: 6/12/1957 (Society of Jesus)

Current Status:

Left Diocese of Corpus Christi 1966

Deceased 9/9/2006

Name:

Rev. Eusebio ("Chevy") Pantoja, CMF

Date of Birth:

Unknown

Ordination & Prior Status:

Ordination: 1968 (Claretian Missionaries)

Current Status:

Removed from ministry in Diocese of Corpus Christi 1980

Expelled from Claretian Order 1980

Name:

Rev. Alfredo Prado, OMI

Date of Birth:

1930

Ordination & Prior Status:

Ordination: 1958 (Oblate of Mary Immaculate)

Current Status:

Suspended 1991

Name:

Rev. Christopher Joseph Springer, CSSR

Date of Birth:

11/7/1925

Ordination & Prior Status:

Ordination: 6/26/1952 (Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer)

Current Status:

Left Diocese of Corpus Christi 1971

CLERICS FROM OR INCARDINATED INTO THE DIOCESE OF CORPUS CHRISTI

Name:

Rev. Jerome Caponi

Date of Birth:

9/15/1925

Ordination & Prior Status:

Ordination: 6/11/1960 (Order of St. Benedict)

Incardinated into Diocese of Corpus Christi 1971

Excardinated from Diocese of Corpus Christi 1982

Current Status:

Left Diocese of Corpus Christi 1982

Deceased 2/27/2009

Name:

Msgr. Hugh Clarke

Date of Birth:

12/30/1924

Ordination & Prior Status:

Ordination: 7/16/ 1950 (Dublin, Ireland)

Incardinated into Diocese of Corpus Christi 8/15/1975

Current Status:

Retired 1997

Deceased 12/16/2002

Name:

Rev. William Daly

Date of Birth:

4/21/1924

Ordination & Prior Status:

Ordination: 6/17/1957 (Ordained in Dublin, Ireland for the Diocese of Corpus Christi)

Current Status:

Left Diocese of Corpus Christi 1971

Deceased 11/9/1982

Name:

Rev. Domingo De Llano

Date of Birth:

10/19/1939

Ordination & Prior Status:

Ordination: 5/28/1966 (Ordained in Laredo, TX for the Diocese of Corpus Christi)

Current Status:

Retired 1999

Deceased 5/4/2013

Name:

Rev. Steven T. Dougherty

Date of Birth:

10/11/1956

Ordination & Prior Status:

Ordination: 6/14/2003 (Society of Our Lady of the Most Holy Trinity)

Incardinated into Diocese of Corpus Christi 7/8/2008

Current Status:

Removed from ministry 12/16/2011

Criminal conviction: 2/28/2018

Name:

Rev. John J. Feminelli

Date of Birth:

10/12/1946

Ordination & Prior Status:

Ordination: 6/6/1987 (Corpus Christi, TX)

Current Status:

Retired 4/16/2007

Name:

Rev. Adelhard M. Francois

Date of Birth:

Unknown

Ordination & Prior Status:

Ordination: 2/24/1935, Wuerzburg, Bavaria (Mariannahill Missionary Society)

Incardinated into Diocese of Corpus Christi: 1/14/1950

Current Status:

Left Diocese of Corpus Christi 1959

Name:

Rev. J. Frank Gomez

Date of Birth:

10/28/1928

Ordination & Prior Status:

Ordination: 5/27/1961 (Corpus Christi, TX)

Excardinated from Diocese of Corpus Christi 1965

Current Status:

Left Diocese of Corpus Christi 1965

Name:

Rev. Clement Hageman

Date of Birth:

Unknown

Ordination & Prior Status:

Ordination: 6/10/1930, St. Meinrad, IN

Current Status:

Removed from ministry in Diocese of Corpus Christi April 1939

Deceased 7/2/1975

Name:

Msgr. Michael Heras

Date of Birth:

6/7/1958

Ordination & Prior Status:

Ordination: 6/15/1984 (Corpus Christi, TX)

Current Status:

Removed from ministry 6/24/2014

Name:

Rev. Jesus Garcia Hernando

Date of Birth:

10/7/1960

Ordination & Prior Status:

Ordination: 6/22/1984, Burgos, Spain

Incardinated into Diocese of Corpus Christi: 1/10/1994

Excardinated from Diocese of Corpus Christi: 2/11/2000

Current Status:

Removed from ministry 9/15/1994

Name:

Rev. Flover Antonio Osorio Herrera

Date of Birth:

10/7/1954

Ordination & Prior Status:

Ordination: 3/19/1985 (Diocese of Villavicencio, Meta, Columbia)

Incardinated into Diocese of Corpus Christi 12/4/2003

Current Status:

Removed from ministry 10/29/2007

Name:

Rev. Peter J. Hughes

Date of Birth:

Unknown

Ordination & Prior Status:

Ordination: 6/10/1956 (Ordained in Carlow, Ireland for the Diocese of Corpus Christi)

Current Status:

Left Diocese of Corpus Christi 1963

Deceased 12/7/1990

Name:

Msgr. William J. Kelly

Date of Birth:

10/11/1916

Ordination & Prior Status:

Ordination: 6/24/1944 (Ordained in Dublin, Ireland for the Diocese of Corpus Christi)

Current Status:

Deceased 3/12/1983

Name:

Msgr. William C. Kinlough

Date of Birth:

8/29/1918

Ordination & Prior Status:

Ordination: 6/20/1943 (Ordained in Ireland for the Diocese of Corpus Christi)

Current Status:

Retired 1999

Deceased 9/29/2000

Name:

Rev. Msgr. Thomas Meany

Date of Birth:

5/12/1928

Ordination & Prior Status:

Ordination: 5/31/1955 (Corpus Christi, TX)

Current Status:

Retired 2004

Deceased 7/20/2008

Name:

Rev. Robert Trevino

Date of Birth:

11/10/1958

Ordination & Prior Status:

Ordination: 12/28/1985 (Corpus Christi, TX)

Current Status:

Removed from ministry 1995

Laicized 12/6/2012