

1. Allegation:

Allegation made 1986 ?

It is alleged that Fr. Daniel Graham sexually abused a minor boy over the period of a couple of years . It would appear that the events took place somewhere between 1969 - 71. Fr. Graham would have been in the deacon year of seminary training and first year of priesthood.

It is alleged that the events occurred in Fr. Graham's car, Fr. Graham's family home, Our Lady of Lourdes Rectory in Stoughton, St. Patrick's Stoneham, and in Hull where Fr. Graham shares a home with other priests. It is alleged that alcohol and pornography were included in the sexual activity.

In Fr. Graham's file there is a note dated 9/10/92 regarding a third party allegation. Someone working with a Physical Therapy Group alleged one of the members of the group had been abuse ten years earlier. A report was made to the police but it was beyond the statute of limitations.

2. Complainant:

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At the time he first wrote to Cardinal, the complainant was working for the Com of Mass, Social Services. 7/10/86 While alleging abuse he did not name anyone.

There was a second letter stating his dissatisfaction with the response of the Cardinal's Secretary 8/25/86

In an undated letter to Fr. Graham he accused him of the abuse and required that Fr. Graham comply with his demands:

1. To inform his pastor
2. Remove himself from programs involving youth
3. Develop programs for victims of abuse
4. Enter a recognized self-help program

There is another undated letter to Fr. Paul Shanley this letter is filled with unsubstantiated and often indirect accusations regarding Fr. Graham's activity as a pastor. They appear to be based on assumptions.

3. Response:

Fr. Graham was sent for an evaluation and received a good report as being "well balanced". Fr. Graham wrote to the complainant reporting that he had seen a therapist, and through Fr. Shanley was attending SLAA meeting every week. In the letter he apologized for the harm caused to the complainant. He also sated that he had fulfilled all the demands made by the complainant.

Priest Background:

Fr. Graham was ordained in 1970. He spent a number of years in St. John, Quincy and is now pastor of St. Joseph Parish, Quincy. Fr. Graham is considered a very effective and dedicated priest who enjoys the esteem of priests and laity.

Action:

1/8/90 there was a meeting with Bishop Banks who was of the opinion that Fr. Graham could be a pastor anywhere in the archdiocese. It was determined that the events of 1970 were due to stress and that these issues had been addressed. It was determined that this decision was supported by the twenty years of ministry of Fr. Graham.