Reverend John A. Madaj

Biographical Information

YEAR OF BIRTH: 1914 YEAR OF DEATH: 1998

ORDINATION: June 3, 1939

Employment/Assignment History	
6/1939 – 9/1944	Asst. Pastor, Nativity, Plymouth, PA
9/1944 – 1/1946	Asst. Pastor, St. Mary, Wilkes-Barre, PA
1/1946 – 9/1946	Asst. Pastor, St. Hedwig, Kingston, PA
9/1946 – 5/1950	Asst. Pastor, St. Adalbert, Glen Lyon, PA
5/1950 – 10/1955	Pastor, St. Joseph, Morrris Run, PA
10/1955 – 1/1970	Pastor, Sacred Heart, Forest City, PA
1/1970 – 9/1984	Pastor, Transfiguration, West Hazleton, PA
9/1984 – 1/1985	Pastor, St. Mary of Czestochowa, Eynon, PA
1/1985 – 9/1989	Pastor, SS Peter and Paul, Scranton, PA
9/1989 – 11/1998	Pastor Emeritus, St. Peter and Paul, Scranton, PA

Summary

In December, 1952, Father McHugh received two anonymous letters alleging that Father John A. Madaj was having an affair with his housekeeper. Nothing was found in the file to indicate that any action was taken on the part of the Diocese.

On March 12, 1990, the Diocese received a letter from the parents of a 19-year-old male, alleging that Madaj had sexually molested their son when he was nine or 10 years of age. When Bishop James C. Timlin confronted Madaj, Madaj denied the allegation. Timlin then contacted the parents of the victim and informed them of Madaj's denial. Timlin recommended that their son speak to a counselor. He also suggested that they meet with Madaj.