PERSONS CREDIBLY ACCUSED OF SEXUAL ABUSE OF MINORS WHO HAVE SERVED WITHIN THE CURRENT TERRITORIAL BOUNDARIES OF THE DIOCESE OF LAS CRUCES

By a decree of Pope John Paul II, the Diocese of Las Cruces was formed on October 17, 1982. The territorial limits of the diocese were defined as the New Mexico counties of Doña Ana, Eddy, Grant, Hidalgo, Lea, Luna, Otero and a portion of Sierra, which had formerly been the jurisdiction of the Diocese of El Paso, the counties of Lincoln, Chavez and the remaining portion of Sierra which had been under the jurisdiction of the Archdiocese of Santa Fe.

The following tables contain lists of persons who have been credibly accused¹ of sexual abuse of minors and who have served in parishes located within the territorial limits of the Diocese of Las Cruces. Table 1 contains the names of persons with credible allegations of sexual abuse of minors related to events which occurred in the Diocese of Las Cruces since its establishment in 1982. Table 2 contains the names of persons with credible allegations of sexual abuse of minors that occurred within the current geographical boundaries of the Diocese of Las Cruces prior to its erection in 1982. And Table 3 contains the names of persons who have worked in the Diocese of Las Cruces, with no accusations in this Diocese, and who have been credibly accused of sexual abuse of minors in a location outside of the Diocese of Las Cruces.

The persons named in the tables have been included because the allegations against them have been reviewed and deemed credible by the Diocese's Sexual Abuse Review Board, which is composed of lay professionals with expertise in law enforcement, mental health, and children's health. In determining allegations against an individual to be credible, the Diocese of Las Cruces is not making a definitive statement as to the veracity of the allegations nor the guilt of the accused, only that the allegations are plausible and have not been shown to be false. By their very nature, these allegations are extremely serious, and only a court of law can determine beyond a reasonable doubt whether or not they are true.

From time to time, the Diocese of Las Cruces may add names to this list as people come forward with new information. Allegations of misconduct currently involving civil litigation will be evaluated by the Review Board once the litigation has been resolved. Any person with knowledge of sexual misconduct with a minor by these individuals or any other past or present clergy or employees of the Diocese of Las Cruces are asked to immediately share this information with your local police or sheriff's department. After contacting the authorities, you are welcome to also contact the Victim's Assistance Coordinator for the diocese at 575-222-4237 or vac@rcdlc.org with any questions or concerns you may have.

¹ The Diocese of Las Cruces has defined a "credible accusation" as "an accusation which at least seems to be true (Canon 1717, Section 1), and/or offers reasonable grounds for being believed. A credible accusation is not manifestly false."

TABLE 1: PERSONS WITH CREDIBLE ALLEGATIONS OF SEXUAL ABUSE OF MINORS OCCURRING IN THE DIOCESE OF LAS CRUCES

NAME	AFFILIATION	DATE OF ALLEGED INCIDENT	DATE OF	STATUS	ASSIGNMENTS IN DIOCESE OF LAS CRUCES		LISTED IN ANOTHER DIOCESE	
Anderson, Joseph K.	OSB	1994-1997	2018	Died: 2002	1994-1997	Holy Family, Deming		
Barfield, Daniel		1990	2012	Died: 2003	1985-1990	Holy Family, Deming		
	DoLC				1990-2003	St. Jude, Alamogordo		
Bentley, David	Albany	1998-2000	2018	Removed: 2002	1998-2002	Holy Family, Deming	Albany	
					1981-1984	St. Eleanor, Ruidoso		
		1983	1989	Laicized: 2005 Died: 2008	1984	IHM, Las Cruces	Santa Fe Norwich Duluth	
Bissonnette, Bernard	DoLC				1985-1987	St. Jude, Alamogordo		
					1988-1992	Our Lady of Perpetual Help, T or C		
		1984	2002	Died: 1996	1977-1983	Our Lady of Perpetual Help, T or C	Santa Fe	
Chavez, Albert	DoLC				1984-1985	Our Lady of Purification		
Diamond, Wilfred	DoLC	1987-88	2013	Died: 1995	1965-1988	St. Jude, Alamogordo		
		1982	1992		1967-1970	San Jose, La Mesa		
					1975-1977	Our Lady of Health, Las Cruces		
					1977-1978	Immaculate Conception, Alamogordo		
				Removed: 1992	1981-1983	Our Lady of Purification, Doña Ana		
Lynch, Richard	DoLC			Died: 2017	1983-1985	St. Thomas Aquinas, Lovington		
					1985-1987	Our Lady of Perpetual Help, T or C		
					1987-1990	St. Vincent de Paul, Silver City		
					1990-1992	Our Lady of Purification, Doña Ana		
Martin, Phillip	AdoSF	1984	2002		1983-1984	NMMI, Roswell	Santa Fe	
McAllister, Forest	DoLC	1982	2019	Died: 1997	1978-1983	St. John the Baptist, Roswell		
					1984-1986	St. Peter, Roswell		
Montoya, Juan	OFM	2001	2019	Died: 2013	1996-2009	St. John the Baptist, Roswell		
					2009-2012	Immaculate Conception, Alamogordo		
	DoLC	1990	1990, 2016	Died: 2006	1989-1990	NMMI, Roswell	Norwich	
Primavera, Bruno					1989-1990	Assumption, Roswell	Hartford	
Tejada, Dennis	DoLC	1973, 1989	2002	Laicized: 2007	1976-1981	St. Thomas More, Chaparral		
					1982-1989	Our Lady of Guadalupe, Hobbs	El Paso	
					1990	St. Genevieve, Las Cruces		
					1991	Sta. Rosa de Lima, Las Cruces		
					1992-1993	Our Lady of Purification, Doña Ana		
					1994-1996	Our Lady of Perpetual Help, T or C		
Vau, Gary	School	2015	2016	Convicted: 2016 Released: 2017	2015	Holy Cross School, Las Cruces (Volunteer Teacher)		
		1986	2012	Died: 1997	1985-1988	St. Genevieve, Las Cruces	Gallup	
Viramontes, David	DoLC				1992-1997	St. Joseph, Fairacres		

TABLE 2: PERSONS WITH CREDIBLE ALLEGATIONS OF SEXUAL ABUSE OF MINORS WITHIN THE CURRENT GEOGRAPHICAL BOUNDARIES OF THE DIOCESE OF LAS CRUCES BUT PRIOR TO THE ERECTION OF THE DIOCESE IN 1982

NAME	DIOCESE OF AFFILIATION	DATE OF ALLEGED INCIDENT	DATE OF	STATUS	ASSIGNMENTS IN DIOCESE OF LAS CRUCES		LISTED IN ANOTHER DIOCESE	
Almaguer, Santiago	El Paso	1978	2012		1978	Our Lady of Health, Las Cruces	El Paso	
Coyle, Barry	Order of Friars Minor	1969-74 1967-69	2004 2005	Deceased	1965	St. Peter, Roswell	OFM St. John the Baptist Province	
					1971-1977	Our Lady of Fatima, Bayard		
					1979	Infant Jesus, Hurley		
		1977	1996	Laicized: 2007	1982-1983	St. Joseph, Lordsburg	El D	
Garcia, Samuel	El Paso				194-1985	St. Joseph, Fairacres	El Paso	
					1987-1991	St. Martin de Porres, Sunland Park		
					1992-1993	St. Joseph, Lordsburg		
					1972-1974	St. Edwards School, Carlsbad		
Guillory, Kerry	Order of Friars Minor	1975-78	2007		1972	San Jose, Carlsbad	El Paso	
					1975-1978	Catholic Youth Organization, Carlsbad		
Holley, David	El Paso	1972-74	1993	Convicted: 1993 Died: 2008	1972-1975	St. Jude Alamogordo	Santa Fe El Paso San Antonio	
Klister, Irving	Santa Fe	1950's	1993	Died: 1997		Holy Family, Deming	Santa Fe El Paso	
					1968	Our Lady of Perpetual Help, T or C		
Lopez, Rosario	El Paso	1974	2010		1974	St. Genevieve, Las Cruces		
Maramba, Manuel	El Paso	1976-77	2004-2012		1976	St. Francis Newman Center, Silver City	El Paso	
					1976-1977	St. Genevieve, Las Cruces	El Paso	
Mazon, Diego	Santa Fe	1974	2004		1972-1977	St. John Parish, Roswell	Santa Fe Gallup	
Morgan, Arthur	El Paso	1973	2013	Died: 2007	1968-1971	Our Lord of Mercy, Hatch		
					1971-1991	San Isidro, Garfield		
Nesome, Richard	El Paso	1980's	2018		1981	Our Lady of Purification, Doña Ana	El Paso	
O'Sullivan, Arthur	El Paso	1950's	1993			Holy Family, Deming	El Paso	
Porter, James	Santa Eo	1968	2018	Laicized: 1974 Died: 2005	1967-1968	OL of Perpetual Help	Santa Eo	
	Santa Fe				1967-1968	St. Ann's Hospital	Santa Fe	
Pudei, Casilda	El Paso	1957	1993	Died: 1987	1956-1957	St. Edward's School, Carlsbad		
Roure, Emilio	El Paso	1958-60	2016	Died: 1964	1956-1964	OLG, Tortugas	El Paso	
					1984	Immaculate Heart of Mary, LC		
Tickle, John	El Paso	1976-77	2004	Removed: 2004	1985	St. Francis Newman Center, Silver City		
					1985-1993	St. Albert Newman Center, Las Cruces	El Paso	
					1999-2000	Immaculate Heart of Mary, Las Cruces		

TABLE 3: PERSONS WHO WORKED IN THE DIOCESE OF LAS CRUCES AND HAD CREDIBLE ALLEGATIONS OF SEXUAL ABUSE OF MINORS OCCURRING ELSEWHERE

LOCATION OF DATE OF ALLEGATION ALLEGED DATE OF ASSIGNMENTS IN DIOCESE OF LAS CRUCES (DIOCESE) INDICENT COMPLAINT NAME **STATUS** 1971-1973 San Jose, La Mesa San Antonio 2015 Died: 1993 1960-1963 1973-1981 Angeli, Joseph OL Guadalupe, Tortugas 1984-1992 **Retired With Faculties** Baldonado, Filipe OFM Died: 2003 1969 Holy Cross Retreat Center 1989 Holy Cross Retreat Center 2002 Died: 1997 Boardway, Alphonse Lubbock 1968 1989 **Supply Priest** OFM Died: 2019 1956-1957 Cabot, Samuel Holy Cross Retreat Center Calonge, Felix OFM 1964-1965 Holy Cross Retreat Center 1971-1973 St. Josephs, Mescalero Cavagaro, Camillus OFM Died: 2011 1989-1990 St. Francis de Paula, Tularosa Dannenfelser, Lambert Kansas City, KS 1989 Died: 2006 1962-1968 St. Peter, Roswell OFM St. John Davied, Frank Removed 1993-95 IHM, Las Cruces the Baptist de Silva, Owen OFM Died: 1967 1957-1964 Holy Cross Retreat Center Dunn, Kevin OFM Died: 2010 1955-1961 Holy Cross Retreat Center Esquivel, Miguel 1989 2002 1996 La Tuna Prison, Anthony San Angelo 1992-1995 St. Peters, Pastor 1992-1999 St. John, Pastor 1994-1995 ICC, Pastor 1987 Fountain, Dennis Santa Fe 1960 1985 Died: 2013 2008 1999-2000 St. Peter, Pastor 2000-2001 St. Anthony 2001-2008 St. Helena, Pastor 1989 Convicted: 1989 St. Genevieve Galvan, Lucas Pueblo 1989 1991 1967-1968 St. Eleanor, Ruidoso Griego, Sabine Santa Fe Hay, James El Paso 1964 2006 1950-1955 Immaculate Conception, Alamogordo 1955-1974 St. Francis de Paula, Tularosa Died: 2007 Hootka, Gus OFM 1974-1987 St. Josephs, Mescalero 1991 Keegan, Austin Santa Rosa Infant Jesus, Hurley Santa Fe 1965-1967 Kirsch, Robert St. Eleanor, Ruidoso Gallup Labreche, Laurier Santa Fe 1967 2002 1962-1968 St. Eleanor, Ruidoso 1968-1971 Holy Cross Retreat Center OFM Ladenburger, Louis 1969-1970 St. Albert the Great

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	LOCATION OF	DATE OF				ACCICAINAFAITC IN
NAME	ALLEGATION (DIOCESE)	ALLEGED INDICENT	DATE OF COMPLAINT	STATUS		ASSIGNMENTS IN DIOCESE OF LAS CRUCES
					1951-1953	St. Francis de Paula, Tularosa
Leining, Mark	OFM			Died: 1985	1962-1964	St. Francis de Paula, Tularosa
					1979-1985	St. Josephs, Mescalero
Lynn, Clive	Santa Fe				1971-1973	St. Rita, Carrizozo
Mancuso, Sylvester	OFM			Died: 1979	1952-1955	St. Josephs, Mescalero
	Maimi	2007	2014	Abuse is alleged to have occurred prior to his ordination to the priesthood in the DoLC. Removed from Public Ministry: 2018	2013-2014	Our Lady of Perpetual Help, T. or C.
McDonald, Kevin					2014-2016	St. Cecilia, Jal; St. Clare, Eunice
					2016-2018	Archdiocese of Nassau
					2018	St. Genevieve, Las Cruces
					2018	San Isidro, Garfield
	Santa Fe	1954		Died: 2011	1947	St. Peter, Roswell
Pfalzer, Roman					1948	St. John the Baptist, Roswell
Riffel, Claude	OFM			Died: 1977	1968	Holy Cross Retreat Center
Schrieber, Lawrence	Gallup				2002-2003	St. Peter, Roswell
Sierra, Frank	Santa Fe San Diego				1962-1968	OL of Fatima, Bayard
Silva, Benjamin	Santa Fe				1983	St. Tomas Parish
					1986	Holy Cross Parish
Trevino, Robert	Corpus Christi				1995	Holloman AFB, Alamogordo