



Catholic Diocese Statement regarding Marianists who Formerly Served in the Diocese

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Since 2007, the Catholic Diocese of Fort Worth has publicly promulgated a list of clergy with credible allegations of sexual abuse of a minor. As the list makes clear, it contains the names of clergy who have served in the Diocese of Fort Worth since its establishment in 1969 whom the Diocese has reason to believe engaged in the sexual abuse of a minor within the Diocese of Fort Worth. Daniel Triulzi and John Schlund, two Marianist members who at one time served in the Diocese of Fort Worth, have been named on a recently-released list of Marianist members found to have sexually abused a minor while serving in other dioceses. Those members have never been alleged to have committed sexual abuse of a minor in the Diocese of Fort Worth or while assigned in the Diocese of Fort Worth.

We are grateful that the Marianists have now publicly released a list of their members who have been credibly accused of sexual abuse of a minor. The Diocese of Fort Worth first did so 13 years ago as part of its commitment to eradicating the evil of sexual abuse and in helping the Diocese to identify and assist those who have suffered from abuse. The rest of the Texas dioceses each publicly released lists 18 months ago.

If anyone has been abused by a Marianist who has served in the Diocese, or by a member of any other religious order or organization who has served in the Diocese, we urge you to contact law enforcement immediately to report any crime that has been committed and then contact the Diocese. The Diocese can be contacted through its Sexual Abuse Hotline at (817) 602-5119; Director of Safe Environment, Sandra Schrader-Farry, at (817) 945-9334; or Chancellor & Moderator of the Curia, Msgr. E. James Hart, at (817) 945-9315.

As always, the Diocese of Fort Worth encourages anyone who has information about abuse or who has been abused by any priest, deacon, employee, or volunteer of the Church to contact us so that the Church can offer assistance and ensure the continued protection of the vulnerable. If a crime has been committed, we urge you to immediately contact law enforcement before contacting the Diocese.