

List of Credibly Accused Clergy Within the Diocese of Springfield

The following is a listing of all diocesan priests, deacons, and religious order priests who have had one or more credible allegations of sexual abuse of a child made against them while they were living. This list includes former priests who left the priesthood prior to reports having been made. All have had their faculties to function as clergy removed.

Laicized priests who had initially been placed under the sanctions of the Essential Norms*:

Alfred Graves
Edward Kennedy
Richard Lavigne
Richard Meehan

Priests currently living under sanctions of the Essential Norms*:

Michael Devlin
Richard Kirouac
David Farland
Francis Lavelle
Ronald Wamsher

Deceased priests who had been placed under the sanctions of the Essential Norms*:

Paul Archambault
Andre Corbin
Clarence Forand
John Koonz
Charles Joseph Sgueglia
Charles Sullivan

Former priests:

Albert Blanchard
John R. Russell

Deacon permanently removed from ministry:

James Martone

With regard to the matter of former Springfield Bishop Thomas L. Dupre, Church law dictates specifically that any allegations of misconduct brought against a bishop must only be addressed by the Vatican's Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith.

***Under the *Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People's* "Essential Norms,"**
"when even a single act of sexual abuse by a priest or deacon is admitted or is established after an appropriate process in accord with canon law, the offending priest or deacon will be removed permanently from ecclesiastical ministry."