

Reverend Donald W. McIlvane

Biographical Information

YEAR OF BIRTH:	1925
YEAR OF DEATH:	2014
ORDINATION:	June 7, 1952

Employment/Assignment History

6/26/1952-6/12/1957	Parochial Vicar, St. Stephen, Pittsburgh, PA
6/13/1957-10/31/1960	Parochial Vicar, St. Paul Cathedral, Pittsburgh, PA
11/01/1960-6/26/1962	Parochial Vicar, Resurrection, Pittsburgh, PA
6/27/1962-4/20/1966	Chaplain Correctional Institution, Allegheny County Jail
4/21/1966-6/07/1976	Administrator, St. Richard, Pittsburgh, PA
6/08/1976-11/22/1985	Pastor, Corpus Christi, Pittsburgh, PA
11/23/1985-6/01/1992	Pastor, Presentation of Virgin Mary, Midland, PA
6/01/1992-12/01/1992	Sabbatical at St. John Fisher, Pittsburgh, PA
12/01/1992-1/22/1993	Awaiting Assignment at St. John Fisher, Pittsburgh, PA
1/22/1993-6/27/1994	Parochial Vicar (Part-time), St. John Fisher, Pittsburgh, PA
6/27/1994-12/30/1994	Chaplain, Motherhouse at Sisters of Divine Providence, Allison Park, PA
9/29/2008-12/15/2008	Leave of Absence

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On July 22, 2008, the Diocese of Pittsburgh received a letter from a 43-year-old man who reported that in 1973, he was in the third grade at St. Richard's and served as an altar boy. On one particular day that year, he was not feeling well and Father Donald W. McIlvane escorted him up to a bedroom in the rectory. After he lay down, McIlvane began to rub his stomach and thighs. McIlvane then started to rub his penis through his clothing and his penis became erect. McIlvane then unzipped his pants and performed oral sex on him. He was given \$5.00 by McIlvane. The male reported that between 1973 and 1977, McIlvane performed oral sex on him at least 40 times per year and that he was always paid afterwards with money from the parish donations.

On September 9, 2008, the Diocese provided the male with a check in the amount of \$5,000.00 to help him through some additional financial difficulties. The money was not intended to be considered as any type of reimbursement or "settlement" related to his claim.

On October 29, 2008, the Diocesan Review Board met and reviewed the allegations. The Board accepted the written material submitted by the male and heard testimony from him. The Board determined that the allegation could not be substantiated because the information was inconclusive and unable to be verified. The Board then recommended, and Bishop Zubik

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accepted, that McIlvane be restored to priestly ministry. The Board voted unanimously that there was no semblance of truth to the allegations.

On January 20, 2009, Father David Bonnar wrote a letter to the male wherein he stated:

I am sorry that the Independent Review Board did not come back with an outcome for which you were hoping. Nevertheless, the Diocese of Pittsburgh is still willing to offer counseling and spiritual direction to you.