Priests Named in NJ Sex Abuse Lawsuits

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Diocese	Accused	Parish/School	Years of alleged abuse
Newark	Robert Chabak	Christ the King, Hillside	1983-84
Newark	John Flanagan	Holy Trinity, Westfield	1951-52, 1961
Newark	Organist, Steven Ginefra	St. Michael, Cranford	1974-75
Newark	Theodore McCarrick	St. Francis of Assisi, Hackensack	1995 or 1996
Paterson	Andrew Peretta	St. Mary Help of Christians, Paterson	1979-1986
Trenton	Gerard Brown	St. Mary of the Lake, Lakewood	1977
Trenton	John E. Sullivan	Holy Spirit Church, Asbury Park	1958
Trenton	Joseph F. McHugh	Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Maple Shade	1979-1984
Trenton	Harold Hermley	St. Thersa Church, Tuckerton	1978
Metuchen	Michael Cashman	Sacred Heart and St. Peter, New Brunswick	1982-86
Metuchen	Thomas Ganley	St. Cecilia's Church, Iselin	Early 1990s
	Robert Witkowski	St. Cecilia's Church, Iselin	Early 1990s
Metuchen	Eladio Sanchez	Our Lady of Mount Carmel, New Brunswick	1979-82
Camden	Norman T. Connelly	St. John the Evangelist, Paulsboro	1978-79
Camden	Jay Shannon	St. John, Collingswood (Shannon)	1974
	John Bernard	St. Gregory, Magnolia	1974
	John Kelly	St. Gregory, Magnolia	1974
Camden	Patrick Weaver	St. John the Evangelist, Paulsboro; St. Mary, Cherry Hill	1974-78
Newark	Father Augustine M. Giella	Pennsylvania/New Jersey	1982-88
Newark	John Morel	Holy Family, Union City	1969
Newark	Joseph X. Levetello	Our Lady of Mount Virgin, Garfield	1976-77
Newark	John Morel	Holy Family, Union City	1963-70
Paterson	James T. Hanley	Our Lady of Good Counsel, Pequannock	1968-69
Trenton	Br Kurt Munn	Holy Assumption, Roebling	1972-82
Metuchen	Romano Ferraro	Our Lady of Mount Virgin, Middlesex	1984-85
Metuchen	Michael Santillo	St. John Vianney, Colonia; St. Mary's, Perth Amboy	1983-84
Camden	Brother Walter Hicks	St. Peter-St. Gianna, Pleasantville/Northfield	1978-80
Camden	Father Richard Gerbino	St. Francis of Assisi/Divine Mercy, Vineland	1970s
Camden	Father Richard Gerbino	St. Francis of Assisi/Divine Mercy, Vineland	1970s
Camden	Father Joseph Shannon	St. Patrick/Holy Angels, Woodbury	1980s
Camden	Father Norman T. Connelly	St. James parish, Penns Grove; St. James HS, Carneys Point; St. Gabriel, Carneys Point	1985
Camden	Father Norman T. Connelly	St. Clare of Assisi, Gibbstown; St. James, Penns Grove; St. James HS, Carneys Point	1975-78
Paterson	James T. Hanley	St. Joseph's, Mendham	1974-77
	Thomas G. Rainforth	St. Joseph's, Mendham	1976-77
	John Pisarcik	Bayley Ellard HS, Madison	1974-90
Newark/Metuchen	Former Cardinal Theodore McCarrick	Metuchen/Newark dioceses	1969 into 1980s
Newark	Father Augustine M. Giella	Holy Trinity, Hackensack	1960-65
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Newark	Father Augustine M. Giella	Holy Trinity, Hackensack	1961-64

Newark	Father Augustine M. Giella	St. Catharine, Glen Rock	1976-81
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Newark	Father William Dowd	Immaculate Conception/St. Teresa, Montclair	1967-72
Trenton	Father Ronald Becker	St. James, Ewing (Boy Scouts)	1973
Newark	Rene Lima	Immaculate Conception & St. Michael's, Newark	Late 1980s, early 1990s
Trenton	Father McAndrews	St. James, Ewing; St. Michael's Orphanage, Hopewell	1946
Metuchen	Father Stephen Horvath	Our Lady of Hungary, Perth Amboy	1967
Trenton	Father John Banko	St. Pius X HS, Piscataway	1978-81
Newark	Father Leonard Miodowski	St. Ann, Jersey City	1975-80
Newark	Father Keith Pecklers	St. Paul, Jersey City	1980
	Father Thomas Stanford	St. Paul, Jersey City	1980
Newark/Salesians of Don Bosco	Father Joseph Maffei	St. Anthony of Padua, Elizabeth	1984-88
Newark	Frank Palmieri	St. Joseph, Lodi	Early 1970s for 5 years
Newark	Father Thomas Gillick	St. John, Orange	1987-90
Newark	Father Eugene Fanelli	Holy Redeemer/Our Lady of Libera, West New York	1976-77
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Newark	Father Charles Grandstrand	Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart, Newark	1974-75
Newark	Father Alexander	St. Ann, Hoboken	1960s
Newark	Father Vincent J. Ward	St. Paul, Jersey City	1963
Newark	Edward Stanley	Sacred Heart, Bloomfield	1944-47
Paterson	Sister Mary Regis	St. Peter the Apostle School, Parsippany	1967-68
Trenton	Thomas J. Frain	Notre Dame High School, Lawrenceville	1961-62
Newark	John Capparelli	Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Ridgewood	1991-92
Trenton	Father Doe	Our Lady of Peace School, Fords	1965-66
	Father Joseph	Our Lady of Peace School, Fords	1965-67
	Father Lazario	Our Lady of Peace School, Fords	1965-68
Newark	David Ernst	Our Lady Help of Christians, East Orange	1966-68
Newark	David Ernst	Church of St. Mary, Rutherford	1976-77
Newark	Eugene Heyndricks	Our Lady of the Lake, Verona	1990
Newark	Sister Emily	Our Lady of the Lake, Verona	1969
Metuchen	Br. Regis Moccia	St. Joseph HS, Metuchen	1983
	Br. Bernadine - Vincent Leanmann	St. Joseph HS, Metuchen	1983
Newark	Richard Mieliwocki	Church of the Nativity, Midland Park	1972-75
Camden	Thomas Harkins	Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Camden	1973-75
Camden	Joseph Shannon	St. Anthony of Padua, Camden; St. Joseph, Camden	1967-75
Camden	Daniel Millard	Multiple, Camden Diocese	1957-65
Trenton/Franciscan Order of Friars	Br. Kurt R. Munn	Holy Assumption, Roebling	1976
Newark	Art Teacher Fred Bartlett	St. Rose of Lima Academy, Millburn	1972-75
Camden	Charles Kuhl	Paul VI HS, Haddonfield	1967-70
Trenton	John "Jack" Banko	St. Mary of the Lake, Lakewood	1972-73
Newark	Andrew Carbone	St. Ann, Hoboken	N/A
	Paul Daleo	St. Ann, Hoboken	N/A
Newark	John Capparelli	Holy Trinity, Westfield	1985-86
Newark	Rev. James Randall Gillette	SS Joseph & Michael, Union City	1971
Paterson	Father Charles V. Bradley	Paterson Catholic HS	1984-85
Newark	Father/Brother Thomas Copola	Roselle Catholic, Roselle	1976-77
	Father/Brother Vincent Bentivegna	Roselle Catholic, Roselle	1976-77
Newark	Father Marion T. Walichowski	St. Anthony, Jersey City	1972-73

Camden	Claude J. Bender	St. Clare of Assisi/St. Michael, Gibbstown	1972
Newark	Mark S. Urbano	St. Anne's, Jersey City	1972-77
Camden	Joseph Orsini	St. Paul. Stone Harbor	1968
Camden	(Philadelphia Archdiocese) John Kline	Cherry Hill home	1960-66
Trenton	Father Banko	St. Mary of the Lake, Lakewood	1973
Newark	Father Richard M. Galdon	Our Lady of Good Counsel, Newark	1962
Camden	Father John E. Smith	Our Lady Mt. Carmel, Berlin	1972-1975
Newark	Coach Kevin Jimenez	Holy Family, Ghood Shepherd Academy, Nutley	2017-18
Camden	Msgr Vincent Giammarino	Our Lady Star of the Sea, Atlantic City	1967-71
Newark	Francis T. Maione	Holy Family, Union City	1976-79
	School principal Gary Morrison	Holy Family, Union City	1976-79
Newark; Trenton	Father Eladio Sanchez	St. Boniface, Jersey City; Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, New Brunswick	1972-77
Newark	Father Eladio Sanchez	St. Boniface, Jersey City	1975
Trenton	Father Eladio Sanchez	Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, New Bruswick	1978
Camden	Philip Matthews	Blessed Sacrament school, Margate	1971
Camden	James Ryan	St. James school, Penns Grove	1986-87
Newark	Gerald Sudol	Holy Family, Nutley	1983-1986
Newark	Gerald Sudol	St. Francis of Assisi, Ridgefield Park	1991
Newark	Gerald Sudol	Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, Wallington	1976-86
Newark	Father John Nickas	St. Rocco	1967
Newark	Father Joseph Rice	St. John the Apostle, Linden	1979
Camden	Father Norman T. Connelly	St. Clare of Assisi & St. Michael, Gibbstown; St James, Penns Grove; St. James HS Carneys P	1972-1977
Paterson	Father John Heekin	Holy Cross, Wayne	1978-1980s
Newark	Father Robert Svec	St. John the Baptist, Jersey City	1973
Newark	Father Robert Svec	Immaculate Heart of Mary/St. Patrick, Elizabeth	1966-69
Camden	Father Joseph Shannon	St. Gregory, Camden	1975
Camden/Philadelphia	Father John Kelly	St. Peter, Merchantville	
	Fr. Charles McColgan		1968
Camden	Father Joseph Shannon	Sacred Heart, Camden	1965
Camden	Father John Kelly	St. Gregory, Magnolia	1977
Trenton	Father Frank Iazetta	St. Ann's, Browns Mills	1975-76
Trenton	Father Frank Iazetta	St. Joseph HS, Metuchen	1972
Trenton	M. Francis McGrath	Red Bank Catholic HS, Red Bank	1979
Trenton/Brothers of the Sacred Heart	Father Frank Iazetta	St. Joseph HS, Metuchen	1972
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Trenton	Father Francis McGrath	St. Anthony/Trenton Catholic Academy, Trenton	Years
Newark	Kenneth Jones	St. Mary's, West New York	(N/A)
Trenton	Father Douglas Hermansen	St. Justin, Toms River	1975
Trenton	Monsignor Gregory Vaughan	St. Raphael, Hamilton	1987
Metuchen	Kevin P. Duggan	St. James, Woodbridge	1990
Newark	James T. Benedetto	Church of the Assumption, Emerson	1970-72
Trenton	Father Frank Iazetta	St. Ann's, Browns Mills	1981
Paterson	Deacon Carols Guzman	Cathedral of St. John the Baptist, Paterson	1980
Paterson	Monsignor Julian Varettoni	Sacred Heart, Clifton	1975-76
Paterson	Father William Mockus	Our Lady of Mercy, Whippany	1977
Newark	Father Michael Hansen	Our Lady of Lourdes, West Orange	1982
Paterson	Father Jose Alonso	Cathedral of St. John the Baptist, Paterson	1977
Paterson	Father John Wall	Our Lady Queen of Peace, Branchville	1967

Paterson	Ralph Sodano	Saint Rose of Lima, East Hanover	1976-77
Newark (& Northern NJ Boy Scouts)	Scout leader John Deneke	St. Catharine, Glen Rock	1976-80
Camden/Philadelphia	Thomas J. Graham	Philadelphia Archdiocese	1990s
	Joseph J. Gallagher	Philadelphia Archdiocese	1990s
	Charles E. Kuhl	Camden Diocese	1990s
	Walter N. Smith	Camden Diocese	1990s
Metuchen/Trenton	Father Frank Iazetta	St. Joseph HS, Metuchen	1970-86
Newark	Father Joseph Rice	St. John the Apostle, Linden	1978-81
Newark	Father Kenneth Martin	St. Andrew, Bayonne	1981-84
Newark	Father John Capparelli	Holy Trinity, Westfield	1986-87
Newark	Father John Capparelli	St. Theresa	1981-84
Newark	Father Gerald Sudol	St. Francis of Assisi, Ridgefield Park	1988-94
Newark; Xavierian Brothers	Brother John Dagwell	St. Joseph HS, Montvale	1980
	Brother Peter Russell	St. Joseph HS, Montvale	1980-83
Newark; Pauline Fathers & Brothers	Father Contardo Omarini	St. Bernard, Plainfield	1958-61
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Camden	Father Henry S. Blaszczynski	Holy Angels/St. Matthew, National Park, NJ	1958-61
Camden	Father Norman T. Connelly	St. James HS, Carney's Pt./St. Clare, Gibbstown	1975
Newark	Father Eugene Heyndricks	St. Joseph, Oradell	1975-77
Camden	N/A	St. Clare, Swedesboro	1974-78
Newark/Metuchen/McCarrick	Theodore McCarrick	NJ beach house	1981-83
	Anthony Nardino	St. Francis, Newark	1978
	Brother Andrew Thomas Hewitt	Essex Catholic HS	1981
	Gerald Ruane	NJ beach house	1981-83
	Michael Walters	NJ beach house	1981-83
	John Laferrera	NJ beach house	1981-81
Trenton	Augustus Griffin	St. Anthony Padua, Port Reading	1971-72
Metuchen	Father John Butler	Saint John Vianney, Colonia	1997-99
Trenton	n/a	St. James, Ewing	1962-65
Trenton	Father Francis McGrath	St. James, Red Bank	1982-83
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Camden	Father Claude Bender	St. Teresa/Holy Child, Runnemede	1975
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Paterson/Franciscan Friars	Father John F. Dority	St. Catherine, Bologna	1975-76
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Paterson	Father Jose Alonso	St. Boniface. St. Agnes, Paterson	1970-71
Metuchen	Father Robert Heller	St. Ambrose, Old Bridge	1971-73
Camden	Father John Connor	St. John/St. Teresa, Collingswood	1979
Camden	Father Roy Hardin	St. Mary's, Rosenhayn	1988
Camden	Peter Osinski	St. Michael's parish/St. James HS, Carneys Point	1989
Camden	Father Charles Kuhl	St. Anthony/Christ the Redeemer, Waterford	1992
Newark	Coach Bernard Garris	Paramus Catholic	1986-88
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Camden	Father Brendan Sullivan	St. James, Ventnor	1996-2001
Metuchen	Theodore McCarrick	St. Francis of Assisi, Metuchen	1982-83
Camden	Robert Clements, Athletic Director	Paul VI HS, Haddon Twp.	1973-75

Trenton	Father Joseph McHugh	Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Maple Shade	1980-82
Trenton	Father Douglas Hermansen	St. Rose of Lima, Freehold	1985-86
Trenton	Father Joseph Becker	St. James, Ewing	1982
Camden	Father Charles McColgan	Our Lady of Angels, Cape May Courthouse	1974
Trenton	Father John Dobrosky	St. Justin the Martyr, Toms River	1985-86
Camden	Father Michael D'Amico	St. Francis Cabrini, Ocean City	1975
Camden	Father John O'Brien	St. Stephens, Pennsauken; Camden Catholic HS, Cherry Hill	1964-66
Camden	Father Antoine St. Germaine	Our Lady of Grace, Somerdale	1977
	Father Quentin Walsh		1968-69
	Father Edward Gillespie		1977
Camden	Father Eldridge Evans	St. James HS, Carneys Point	1974-75
Camden	Father Gerald P. Clements	Camden Catholic HS, Cherry Hill	1977
Camden	Father Eldridge Evans	St. James HS, Carneys Point	1971
Camden	Father Kenneth Johnson	St. Anthony, Waterford	1973-74
Trenton	Father Paul Kane	St. Rose, Belmar	1955-56
Newark	Father Peter Cheplic	Holy Spirit & Our Lady Help of Christians	1981
Camden	Father John P. Kelly	St. Peter, Merchantville	1968-69
Camden	Father John Kelly	Sacred Heart, Camden	1963
Newark	Augustine Giella	St. John, Enhaut, Pa.	1982-85
Camden	Father James O'Sullivan	St. Mary, Millville	1963
Camden	Father Joseph Shannon	St. Charles Borromeo, Sicklerville; St Jude's Regional School, Blackwood	1987-89
Camden	Father John Follett	Sacred Heart, Vineland	1979
Newark	Robert Svec	St. Vincent Depaul, Bayonne	1962
Camden	Father Claude Bender	Holy Angels, Woodbury; St. Matthew, National Park	1970s
Metuchen	Br. Regis Moccia	St. Joseph HS, Metuchen	1994-95
Metuchen/Trenton	Father Eladio Sanchez	Our Lady of Mt. St. Carmel, New Brunswick	1975-82
Trenton	Father Liam Minogue	St. Anthony, Hamilton	1979
Camden	Vincent Carpinelli	St. Rose of Lima, Newfield	1975
Camden	Father Joseph Shannon	Sacred Heart, Williamstown	1965-67
Camden	Daniel J. Norton	Mary Mother of the Church, Bellmawr	1973-75
Paterson	Father Kevin Downey	St. Mary's, Pompton Lakes	Late 1970s
Metuchen	Br. Emanuel Andrew Mule	St. Philip & St. James, Phillipsburg; Phillipsburg Catholic High School	1985
Trenton	Msgr. Michael McCorristin	St. Anthony, Trenton	1979
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Metuchen	Father Edward J. Nester	Our Lady of Victories, Frenchtown	early 1980s
Newark	Father Richard O'Donnell	Ascension Church, New Milford	1975
Metuchen/Trenton	Father Eleio Sanchez	Our Lady of Mt. St. Carmel, New Brunswick	mid-1970s
Metuchen	Father Gregory Uhrig	Immaculate Conception parish, Somerville	1995
Metuchen	Brother John Spalding	Saint Joseph High School, Metuchen	1991-92
Newark	Robert Svec	St. Vincent De Paul Churc, Bayonne	1961
Newark	Coach Bernard Garris	Paramus Catholic High School	1985-87
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Newark	David Ernst	Sts. Joseph and Michael Church, Union City	1980-81
Newark	John Capparelli	Holy Trinity Church, Westfield	1981
Newark	Coach Bernard Garris	Paramus Catholic High School	1983-84

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Trenton	Father Justin Capato	St. Mary Church, Colts Neck	1998-99
Newark	Fr. Robert Gibney	St. Catherine of Siena Parish, Cedar Grove	1980-81
Metuchen	Priest John Doe	St. Bernadette, Parlin	1970s
Paterson	Matthew L. Gaskin	St. Catherine, Ringwood	1978-86
Newark	Timothy Brennan	St. Elizabeth of Hungary, Linden	1974-77
Newark	Timothy Brennan	Delbarton	1975
Trenton	Father Frank Iazetta	St. Rose, Belmar; Sacred Heart, New Brunswick; Notre Dame HS, Lawrenceville; Holy Trinity	1969-710
Newark	Father Robert Svec	St. John the Baptist, Jersey City	1968-69
Trenton	Father William McKeone	Trenton Diocese	1998
Trenton	Father Francis Sattitoro	Holy Trinity, Long Branch	1968-71
Trenton	Father Brendan Williams	St. Veronica, Howell	1998 or 1999
Trenton	Father Joseph Punderson	Christ the King, Christ the Redeemer, Manville	1977-79
Trenton	Father Augustine J. Griffin	St. Raphael, Trenton	1971-72
Trenton & Metuchen	Father John E. Sullivan	Mary Mother of God, Hillsborough	1967-70
Trenton & Metuchen	Father Thomas Campbell	St. Joseph, North Plainfield	1958-61
Trenton	Father Thomas E. Carney	Holy Angels, Trenton	1968-70
Trenton & Metuchen	Father Gerald H. Griffin	St. James, Basking Ridge	1955-56
Paterson	Father John Tarantino	St. Pius X	1994-1999
Newark	Gerald Ruane	Our Lady of Lourdes, West Orange1965	
Newark	Edward Hajduk	St. Hedwig, Elizabeth	1981-82
Newark	David Ernst	St. Francis of Assisi, Ridgefield Park	1969-72
Trenton	Father Robert I. Heller	Blessed Saacrament/Sacred Heart, Trenton	1958-59
Newark/Marist Brothers	Brother Louis Bentvegna	Marist High School, Bayonne	1979
Trenton	Father Eugene Kwapisz	St. Casimir/Ressurection, Delran	1983-85
Newark	Thomas Gaffney	St. Patrick & Assumption/All Saints, Jersey City	1961-63
Newark	Father William Dowd		1971-75
	Sister Maria Michael Garner		1969-75
	Sister Alice Bernadette		1971

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