

Reverend Joseph B. Wilson

Biographical Information

YEAR OF BIRTH:	1925
YEAR OF DEATH:	Unknown
ORDINATION:	December 18, 1994

Employment/Assignment History

12/1994 – 7/1996	Asst. Pastor, St. Ignatius, Kingston, PA
7/1996 – 1/1998	Administrator, Ascension, Williamsport, PA
2/1998 – 7/1999	Chaplain, Marian Convent, Scranton, PA
7/1999 – 1/2000	Asst. Pastor, St. Nicholas, Wilkes-Barre, PA
1/2000 – 7/2002	Chaplain, Divine Providence Hospital, Williamsport, PA
7/03/2002	Resigned
8/19/2002	Removed from ministry

Summary

In 1994, Father Joseph B. Wilson was known as Brother Raphael Wilson, a member of the Order of Holy Cross Province. He approached Bishop James C. Timlin and requested to be accepted into the Diocese of Scranton. He was approved by the Admissions Committee. After several months of confirming his records, Wilson was ordained as a priest at 69 years of age.

Handwritten notes in the file reflected that in July, 2002, the Diocese became aware that while Wilson was a Religious Brother at Holy Cross, there were allegations made that he had sexually abused two boys. Wilson admitted to abusing one of the boys and he was sent for evaluation and treatment.

A confidential settlement in the amount of \$250,000 was reached with the victim.