# Clerics of the Diocese of Lake Charles

1) Juan Alers

Diocesan Priest Born: 1943

Ordained: 1969 for the Archdiocese of San Juan in Puerto Rico

First Affiliated with the Diocese of Lake Charles: 1987

Assignments in the Diocese of Lake Charles:

Parochial Vicar, Our Lady Help of Christians, Jennings

Pastor, Sacred Heart of Jesus, Oakdale

Chaplain, Torrance County Detention Center, New Mexico

#### Accusation:

Sexual Misconduct with minors. Location of Misconduct: Puerto Rico Date of Misconduct: 1980-1985

Date Allegations Received by the Diocese of Lake Charles: 1997

Number of Victims: More than one

Response from the Diocese of Lake Charles:

Removal from Ministry in 2002

**Current Status:** 

Deceased (2011)

## 2) Mark Broussard

Diocesan Priest

Born: 1956

Ordained: 1986 for the Diocese of Lake Charles

Assignments in the Diocese of Lake Charles:

Parochial Vicar, Our Lady Queen of Heaven, Lake Charles

In residence, Saint Henry, Lake Charles

Chaplain, Memorial Hospital, Lake Charles

Pastor, Saint Eugene, Grand Chenier

## Accusation:

Sexual Misconduct with Minors.

Locations of Misconduct:

Our Lady Help of Christians, Jennings

Our Lady Queen of Heaven, Lake Charles

Saint Henry, Lake Charles

Date of Misconduct: ca. 1980-1991

Date Allegations received by the Diocese of Lake Charles:

1994 2009

Number of Victims: More than one

Response from the Diocese of Lake Charles:

Removal from Ministry in 1994

**Current Status:** 

Laicized (defrocked) (2013)

Incarcerated (2016)

# 3) Gerard (Gerald) Smit

Diocesan Priest
Date of Birth: 1924

Date of Ordination: 1950 for the Diocese of Nijmejen, Holland

First Affiliated with the Diocese of Lafayette beginning in 1958 and then with the Diocese of

Lake Charles in 1980.

Assignments in the Diocese of Lake Charles (and Lafayette):

Parochial Vicar, Saint Joseph, Iota

Parochial Vicar, Our Lady Queen of Heaven, Lake Charles

Parochial Vicar, Saint Ann, Youngsville

Temporary Administrator, Our Lady of the Assumption, Bosco

Parochial Vicar, Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Chataignier

Parochial Vicar, Our Lady Queen of Heaven, Lake Charles

Administrator, Saint John Berchman, Cankton

Pastor, Saint John Berchman, Cankton

Pastor, Our Lady of the Lake, Lake Arthur

Pastor, Saint Raphael, Iowa

#### Accusation:

Sexual Misconduct with Minors.

Locations of Misconduct:

Youngsville

Cankton

Date of Misconduct: 1950s, 1960s

Date Allegations received by the Diocese of Lake Charles:

2002

2010

Number of Victims: More than one

Response from the Diocese of Lake Charles:

Prohibited from all ministry and presenting himself as a priest in 2002.

Since Misconduct took place in the Diocese of Lafayette, investigation turned over to the Diocese of Lafayette in 2002.

**Current Status:** 

Sentenced to a Life of Prayer and Penance in 2013, and residing in Pennsylvania

## 4) Charles Soileau

Diocesan Priest

Date of Birth: 1928

Date of Ordination: 1957 for the Diocese of Lafayette First Affiliated with the Diocese of Lake Charles: 1980

Assignments in the Diocese of Lake Charles (and Lafayette):

Parochial Vicar, Saint Peter, New Iberia

Parochial Vicar, Our Lady of Lourdes, Erath

Pastor, Saint Eugene, Grand Chenier

Pastor, Our Lady of the Lake, Lake Arthur

Pastor, Saint Anthony, Eunice

Pastor, Sacred Heart, Oakdale

Pastor, Saint Lawrence, Hathaway

Pastor, Saint Joseph, Vinton

## Accusation:

Sexual Misconduct with a Minor

Locations of Misconduct:

Houston, Texas

Vinton, Louisiana

Date of Misconduct: 1995

Date Allegation received by the Diocese of Lake Charles: 1999

Number of Victims: One

Response from the Diocese of Lake Charles:

Removed from Ministry in 1999

**Current Status:** 

Deceased (2011)

<u>Clerics and religious who were serving in the Diocese of Lake Charles at the time of the allegation and the diocese was notified of the accusation.</u> The investigation and final disposition of the allegation was the responsibility of the religious order or diocese.

# 1) Kerry Guillory, OFM Conv.

Conventual Friars (Franciscans)

Assignments in the Diocese of Lake Charles:

Pastoral Assistant, Our Lady of Perpetual Help

#### Accusation:

Sexual Misconduct with Minors.

Location of Misconduct:

Jennings

Date of Misconduct: 1983

Date Allegations received by the Diocese of Lake Charles:

1986 2015

Number of Victims: More than one

Response from the Diocese of Lake Charles:

Prohibited from ministry in the Diocese of Lake Charles in 1986. The case was then referred to the Conventual Franciscan Province on Our Lady of Consolation, Mount St. Francis, Indiana.

**Current Status:** 

Prohibited from Ministry

Refer to the Conventual Franciscan Province of Our Lady of Consolation, Mount St. Francis, Indiana for more information.

## 2) Brennan Harris, OFM Conv.

Conventual Friar (Franciscans)

Assignments in the Diocese of Lake Charles:

Principal of Saint Maria Goretti High School, Lake Arthur

## Accusation:

Sexual Misconduct with Minors.

Locations of Misconduct:

Lake Arthur, Louisiana

Port Arthur, Texas

Date of Misconduct: 1983-1987

Date Allegations received by the Diocese of Lake Charles:

1991 1995

Number of Victims: More than one

Response from the Diocese of Lake Charles:

Since he had left the Diocese of Lake Charles before the allegations were received, the Conventual Friars Province of Our Lady of Consolation were informed of the accusations.

#### **Current Status:**

Deceased (1993)

Refer to the Conventual Franciscan Province of Our Lady of Consolation, Mount St. Francis, Indiana for more information.

## 3) Gregory Mosca, OSB

Olivetan Benedictines

Assignments in the Diocese of Lake Charles:

Pastor, Saint Henry, Lake Charles

#### Accusation:

Sexual Misconduct with Minors.

Locations of Misconduct:

Saint Henry, Lake Charles

Houston, Texas

Date of Misconduct: 1980-1982

Date Allegations received by the Diocese of Lake Charles:

1986 1993

Number of Victims: More than one

Response from the Diocese of Lake Charles:

Removed from Ministry in 1986.

**Current Status:** 

Deceased (2018)

Refer to the Olivetan Benedictines of the Abbey of Santa Maria di Monte Oliveto Maggiore, Italy for more information.

## 4) Simon Palathingal, SBD

Religious Congregation of the Salesians, Bangalore Province

Date of Birth: 1942

Assignments in the Diocese of Lake Charles:

Parochial Vicar, Our Lady Queen of Heaven, Lake Charles

## Accusation:

Sexual Misconduct with Minors.

Location of Misconduct:

Our Lady Queen of Heaven, Lake Charles

Date of Misconduct: 2000

Date Allegations was received by the Diocese of Lake Charles:

2000 2002

Number of Victims: More than one

Response from the Diocese of Lake Charles:

Prohibited from performing ministry in the Diocese of Lake Charles

Informed the Salesian Provincial of the Accusation in 2001.

## **Current Status:**

Incarcerated in Wisconsin (2004)

Refer to the Salesian Province, Bangalore Province in India for more information.

# 5) Valerie Pullman

Diocese of Lafayette

Assignments in the Diocese of Lake Charles:

In Residence, Immaculate Heart of Mary, Lake Charles

# Accusation:

Sexual Misconduct with a Minor.

Location of Misconduct:

Immaculate Heart of Mary, Lake Charles

Date of Misconduct: 1987

Date Allegation received by the Diocese of Lake Charles: 1999

Number of Victims: One

Response from the Diocese of Lake Charles:

Returned to the Diocese of Lafayette in 1987 before the accusation was received.

**Current Status:** 

Deceased (2017)

Refer to the Diocese of Lafayette for more information.

# <u>Cleric who served in the area before Lake Charles became a diocese, and against whom the Diocese of Lake Charles received an accusation.</u>

## 1) Richard Chachere

Diocesan Priest of the Diocese of Lafayette

Assignments in the Lake Charles Area:

Parochial Vicar, Our Lady Queen of Heaven

#### Accusation:

Sexual Misconduct of a minor.

Location of Misconduct:

Our Lady Queen of Heaven School

Date of Misconduct: ca. 1964

Date Allegation received by the Diocese of Lake Charles: 2009

Number of Victims: One

Response from the Diocese of Lake Charles:

The Diocese of Lake Charles referred the case to the Diocese of Lafayette.

**Current Status:** 

Deceased

Refer to the Diocese of Lafayette for more information.

Religious who served in the Diocese of Lake Charles, who appear on other lists of known Perpetrators, and for whom the Diocese of Lake Charles has no knowledge of an accusation of misconduct.

# 1) Austin Park, SJ

Jesuits US Central and Southern Province

Assignments in the Diocese of Lake Charles:

In Residence, Saint Philip Neri, Kinder

**Current Status:** 

Deceased (2013)

Refer to the Jesuits US Central and Southern Province for more information. (Published December 2018)

## 2) Louis Perrault, CSSp

Holy Ghost Fathers

Assignments in the Diocese of Lake Charles:

Pastor, Sacred Heart of Jesus, Lake Charles

**Current Status:** 

Deceased

Refer to the Diocese of San Bernardino in California for more information. (Published October 2018)

Refer to the Congregation of the Holy Spirit Province of the United States for more information.