

List of Edmundites Against Whom We Have Received Allegations of Sexual Abuse of a Minor

We Edmundites are profoundly sorry for any and all incidents involving the sexual abuse of minors by members of our Society. In the interest of transparency we have examined our records for the past seventy-five years and have decided to publish all allegations that have been received, whether or not they have been substantiated. Allegations against only four members are listed as “substantiated.” The others came either after the death of the accused, who were not able to respond to the allegations, or from persons who were not able or willing to follow up with deeper investigations, or who expressly requested that there be no further steps taken beyond their unburdening themselves of their stories. We have given pastoral attention and care and appropriate support to all who have approached us.

The Society of Saint Edmund is fully accredited by *Praesidium*, a national organization for the prevention of sexual abuse. The most recent substantiated alleged incident of the sexual abuse of a minor by an Edmundite occurred in the 1980’s. It was reported and addressed immediately in 1991.

Laurence A. Boucher
Ordained 1943.
Deceased May 27, 1972.

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For more information please visit the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops’ *Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People*: www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/child-and-youth-protection/charter.cfm

The heart of the Society of Saint Edmund’s mission is serving where the need is greatest, a credo that has led us to four core ministries: **Social Justice**, **Education**, **Spiritual Renewal** and **Pastoral Ministry**. It is through these core ministries that we live out a faith-based life of service and make a real difference in people’s lives by bringing them closer to God.