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Statement from the Catholic Diocese of Charleston Regarding Father Robert E. Spangenberg

(CHARLESTON, SC) - Although the diocese is closed today for the Holy Feast Day of the Assumption, and a more thorough record search will be undertaken, what the Diocese has been able to confirm today is that Father Robert Spangenberg served as a priest at St. Patrick Catholic Church from 1990-1992. He was a member of the Congregation of the Holy Spirit (Spiritans).

To the best of our knowledge, there is no record of any allegations of misconduct made against Father Spangenberg while he was assigned to the parish.

The Diocese of Charleston encourages all victims, including any of Father Spangenberg, to contact civil authorities. Additionally, those who have knowledge of any sexual misconduct by Father Spangenberg, or by any Church personnel, should contact civil authorities in their area. To receive help and guidance from the diocese, please contact Louisa Storen, victim assistance coordinator, at 800-921-8122.

The Most Reverend Robert E. Guglielmone, Bishop of Charleston, asks everyone to pray for all victims of abuse and for their families.

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