Father William Doran Curtis was born on August 31, 1919 and was ordained a priest of the Diocese of Winona on May 3, 1947. Fr. Curtis was assigned to the following parishes:

- September 1, 1947 - Saint Thomas Pro Cathedral, Winona, MN
- September 1, 1947 - Newman Center, Winona, MN
- September 1, 1950 - Saint John, Rochester, MN
- August 5, 1952 - May 15, 1953 - Saint Lawrence O'Toole, Fountain, MN and Saint Kilian, Wykoff, MN
- April 2, 1956 - Saint Lawrence O'Toole, Fountain, MN and Saint Kilian, Wykoff, MN
- October 30, 1958 - Saint Joseph, Jasper, MN
- July 28, 1965 - Saint Peter, Hokah, MN
- March 15, 1966 - Sacred Heart, Brewster, MN
- March 15, 1966 - Worthington Junior College, Worthington, MN
- August 21, 1968 - Saint Theodore, Albert Lea, MN
- January 28, 1976 - Saint Teresa, Mapleton, MN
- June 28, 1984 - Saint Joseph, Good Thunder, MN.

Fr. Curtis died on April 10, 2001. On October 18, 1988 the Diocese of Winona received its first complaint of child sexual abuse against Fr. Curtis. The complaint was taken by a Diocesan priest and forwarded to Bishop Vlazny.

On June 26, 1990 the Diocese of Winona received its second accusation of child sexual abuse against Fr. Curtis. The complaint was taken by a Diocesan priest and forwarded to Bishop Vlazny.
