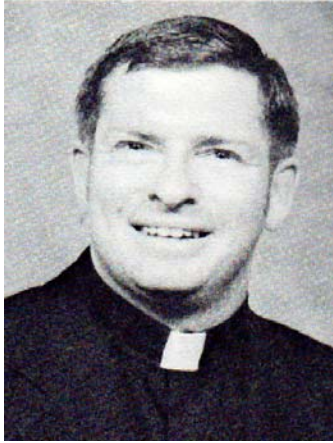


James Lennon



James Lennon was born on December 23, 1939 in Rochester, Minnesota. He was ordained a priest of the Diocese of Winona on May 27, 1965. James Lennon served at the following parishes throughout his tenure:

July 15, 1965 - Cathedral of the Sacred Heart, Winona, MN

June 16, 1968 - Resurrection, Rochester, MN

June 29, 1972 - Saint Stanislaus, Winona, MN

June 29, 1972 - Cotter High School, Winona, MN

June 11, 1976 - Saint Mary, Minneiska, MN

December 1, 1976 - Saint Aloysius, Elba, MN

June 9, 1977 - Saint Anthony, Altura, MN and Saint Aloysius, Elba, MN

December 1, 1977 - Sacred Heart, Heron Lake, MN

June 15, 1978 - Saint James, Saint James, MN

June 23, 1983 - Saint Joachim, Plainview, MN

Ministerial Status: Voluntarily left active ministry in June, 1984 and was laicized.

James Lennon died on August 8, 2000. James Lennon faculties as a priest were suspended in 1984 and he requested to be laicized. He then began an 8 year relationship with divorced woman, until 1992. Subsequently he married a different woman in 1995 but was divorced in the same year. The Diocese of Winona received an accusation that James Lennon had sexually abused a woman when she was 17 until she was in her twenties. James Lennon admitted this conduct when confronted about it at that time and on later occasions. He denied that he had sexually abused any other individuals. James Lennon reapplied to the Holy See for reinstatement of his ministerial facilities and was denied.