



# ARCHDIOCESE OF PHILADELPHIA PRIEST DATA PROFILE

Rev. Michael W. Swierzy

Name: Address:

Phone Number: Date  
of Birth: 08/04/1948

## CURRENT ASSIGNMENT(S)

<b>PRIMARY POSITION(S)</b>	<b>DATE ASSIGNED</b>
Left Active Ministry, (Left Active Ministry)	09/24/2003

## ORDINATION, ECCLESIASTICAL HONORS

**Status:** Left/Resigned Active Ministry, Diocesan **Date of**

**Incardination:** Philadelphia (PA)

**Ordination:** 05/17/1975

**Ordaining Bishop:** John Cardinal Krol

## EDUCATIONAL DEGREES ATTAINED

Seminary / College / University	Date Completed	Academic Degree(S) Held:
St. Charles Borromeo Seminary, Overbrook	1975	MDIV

## TALENTS/HOBBIES/INTERESTS

Spiritual Direction	Retreat Work
Spirituality	

## PREVIOUS ASSIGNMENTS

Previous Positions	Dates Assigned	
Assistant Pastor, St. Laurentius, Phila	06/1975	-06/1977
Assistant Pastor, St. William, Phila	06/1977	-06/1982
Faculty, High School, Cardinal Dougherty High School, Phila	06/1982-	07/1991
Principal, High School, Cardinal Dougherty High School, Phila Parochial Vicar, St. John the Evangelist, Morrisville	07/1991-	06/1992
Administrative Leave, (Administrative Leave)	06/1992	-05/1997
	05/1997	-09/2003
Secondary Positions	Dates Assigned	
Associate Director, CVO Regional (Region 3- Frankford-Kennsington) Part-time	09/1975	-06/1977
Advocate, Office of the Metropolitan Tribunal	10/1979	-06/1982
Assistant Pastor, Holy Angels, Phila	06/1982	-09/1982
Chaplain, Discalced Carmelite Monastery	09/1982	-06/1985
Approved Advocate, Office of the Metropolitan Tribunal	10/1992	-05/1997

## CATALOGUE OF SEXUALLY ABUSIVE PRIESTS

PRIEST'S NAME	DATE OF ABUSE	DATE ARCHDIOCESE NOTIFIED	VICTIM OR INCIDENT	PRIEST'S ASSIGNMENT AT TIME OF ABUSE	ACTION TAKEN BY ARCHDIOCESE AFTER NOTIFICATION OF ABUSE	PRESENT STATUS OF PRIEST
<b>Swierzy</b> Michael W. Ordained: 5-17-75	Not specified	4-9-97	Male fifth grader (altar server)	Not specified	- Rev. Swierzy was placed on Administrative Leave in May 1997 and admitted to St. John Vianney Hospital for a psychological evaluation. -On 1-16-98, Rev. Swierzy pled guilty to one count of corruption of the morals of a minor and received five years probation.	
		5-14-97	Photographs of young males in underwear seized by search warrant from priest's quarters at St. John's	Parochial Vicar, St. John the Evangelist, Morrisville (6/92-5/97)	On 3-19-98, Rev. Swierzy was discharged from St. John Vianney Hospital and placed at Villa St. Joseph.	
		1-16-98	Pled guilty to one count of corruption of the morals of a minor and received five years probation	Administrative Leave, St. John Vianney Hospital, Downingtown (5/97-3/98)		
	Not specified – but between 1986 and 1988	3-27-02	Male Cardinal Dougherty H.S. student	- Faculty, Cardinal Dougherty H.S., Philadelphia (6/82-7/91) - Residence, St. William, Philadelphia (6/85-6/92)		- Rev. Swierzy left active ministry on 9-24-03. - On 10-25-04, Rev. Swierzy was informed that the Archdiocese found the allegations credible, imposed restrictions on his priestly ministry and referred the case to the Vatican for review of laicization.