

NAME: Msgr. Thomas Mabon  
DATE OF BIRTH: July 14, 1926  
DATE OF DEATH: July 28, 2015  
ORDINATION: May 25, 1967

ASSIGNMENTS:

Date Unknown	St. Joseph's Church, Renovo, PA Teacher at high school
1963-1964	St. Patrick's Church, Gallitzin, PA Teaching at Bishop Carroll High School
1964-1967	Asst. Principal, Bishop Carroll High School
1967-1969	Asst. Superintendent of Schools for Diocese
1969-1987	Superintendent of Schools for the Diocese
1973-1976	St. Boniface Church, St. Boniface, PA
1976-1993	St. Mary's Church, Hollidaysburg, PA
1993-2001	Our Mother of Sorrows, Westmont, PA
*08/06/2003	Dr. Pacoe counseling
10/30/2003	Typed letter from Bishop Adamec -Msgr. Mabon no longer on administrative leave, can return to active ministry

In 2003 Bishop Joseph Adamec returned Monsignor Thomas Mabon to active ministry following an allegation that Mabon had molested an altar boy while a parish priest at St. Mary's Church in Hollidaysburg, Pennsylvania. This return to ministry occurred after Mabon received "treatment" in which Mabon would be required to self-report those things that he felt were issues. Unsurprisingly, this report gave Adamec the cover he felt he needed to return Mabon to ministry.

In 2005 a report was made by another Mabon victim. She indicated that while she attended St. Mary's Church in Hollidaysburg, Pennsylvania, Mabon would often have her run errands for him. The victim did this because her mother was a faithful Catholic and made sure all of her children were raised Catholic. The victim's mother took great pride in her daughter's service to their parish.

One day while the victim was in the sacristy, Mabon touched her genitals and breasts. Five other times he engaged in similar conduct. During future encounters he would rub himself against her front and back and ejaculate in his pants. On at least one occasion he asked the victim to touch his penis, which she did. After she turned 17-years-old he asked her for oral sex but she refused. Mabon relented and instead offered her Budweiser beer and continued in his previous style of sexual child abuse. Eventually she stopped attending church to stop the abuse. The victim never reported because she

recalled that Mabon had told her “if you tell, everyone would believe you instigated it and that’s your fault.”

The Grand Jury finds James Hogan and Joseph Adamec, the Bishops of Altoona-Johnstown, had a responsibility to these children. These, like so many others, are the children the Bishops failed. These are the children that predators, like Thomas Mabon, destroyed. These victims deserved peace of mind and security in their parish. As Mabon’s victim notes “I want to know he is not a priest able to do this to others.”