

Reverend Kevin Kayda

Biographical Information

YEAR OF BIRTH:	1985
YEAR OF DEATH:	2013
ORDINATION:	June 1, 2013

Employment/Assignment History

6/01/2013-10/03/2013	St. John the Baptist, New Freedom, PA
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Summary

In September of 2013, the Diocese of Harrisburg received a complaint from a concerned parent. The parent reported that Father Kevin Kayda was having inappropriate online communications with their minor daughter on Facebook. The Diocese confronted Kayda and requested permission to forensically examine his computer. Kayda consented to the forensic examination. On October 1, 2013, Kayda's electronic items were turned over to a forensic company. The Diocese also prepared to send Kayda to St. John Vianney Center for treatment. The forensic examination revealed pornographic material that included "adolescents." On October 3, 2013, Kayda committed suicide. Kayda wrote multiple suicide notes; Kayda alluded to being an abuse victim, but he did not disclose the name of his alleged abuser.