

# Reverend Patrick Shannon

## Biographical Information

YEAR OF BIRTH:	1940
YEAR OF DEATH:	N/A
ORDINATION:	1972

## Employment/Assignment History

1993-2005	Sacred Heart and of St. George's Mission, Mifflinburg, PA
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## Summary

On November 2, 2005, the Diocese of Harrisburg was copied on a letter written to the Provincial Superior of the Oblates of St. Francis de Sales in Wilmington, Delaware. The letter was written by an individual who alleged that Father Patrick Shannon sexually abused him in 1973 as follows. The victim worked at Camp Brisson in Maryland as a counselor in training. He was 16 years old at the time. While on a camping trip overnight, Shannon shared his blanket with the victim. Once under the blanket, Shannon fondled the victim's genitals underneath his clothing. The victim told Shannon, "no." Shannon responded, "*sometime [sic] we say no when we really mean yes.*" Shannon eventually stopped molesting the victim. The victim woke up in the morning to Shannon having his arm wrapped around him and his genitals cupped in Shannon's other hand.

The Diocese of Harrisburg removed Shannon's faculties to practice ministry.