

Father Robert Klein

- 1956 Ordained: June 2, 1956, Diocese of Duluth.
- 1956 Appointed assistant pastor at St. Anthony Parish in Duluth, August-September 1956.
- 1956-65 Assigned to train with Diocese of Denver and journalism school in Denver, September-December 1956; then back to Duluth where assigned associate editor Duluth Register, December 1956. Editor of Register 1957-65.
- 1957-65 Assistant pastor, Cathedral of Our Lady of the Holy Rosary, Duluth, August 1957- June 1965.
- 1959-66 Appointed chaplain Newman Center, University of Minnesota-Duluth, September 1959-1966, also appointed director, Legion of Decency, September 1959.
- 1965 Assigned as pastor of St. Joseph's Church in Gnesen, Minnesota, Diocese of Duluth, June 1965-March 1966. Suffers emotional breakdown.
- 1966 February 1966: Sent for evaluation Duluth Clinic. Diagnosed with "very long-standing personality disorder," with expectation of "episodes of increasing gravity."
- March 1966: Sent for evaluation by psychologist Sister Digna Birmingham. Diagnosis: "maladjustment centered around his personal relationships with others" and "deep disturbance."
- 1966-67 Sent to Milwaukee for treatment/psychotherapy with Leo Graham, March 1966. Diocese of Duluth Chancellor Popesh asks Sister Digna to forward her findings to Milwaukee. Treatment with Graham completed May 1967. Attends classes Marquette University during this period.
- 1967-69 September 1967: Returns from treatment in Milwaukee, assigned to teach theology St. Scholastica, Duluth, through 1969.

- 1969 September 1969: Appointed pastor St. Peter's parish, Duluth, lives at Sacred Heart (Duluth) rectory with Father Melovasich through approximately 1975. Assists with Mass at Sacred Heart parish. Teaches at Cathedral High School and West End Parochial School (WEPS), a/k/a St. Jean's school or Sacred Heart school.
- 1969-72 (approx.) Klein sexually abuses Victim #1 (John GG Doe), a minor, altar server at St. Peter's parish and Sacred Heart school student.** Abuse occurs various locations, including Klein's mother's home in Brainerd, Minnesota, and Sacred Heart rectory.
- During Victim #1 abuse, various Diocese of Duluth officials receive reports and concerns regarding Klein's association with the boy. However, no investigation conducted or restrictions for Klein, who continued to sexually abuse Victim #1.
- 1970 June 1970: Klein unable to handle duties at St. Peter's parish, transferred to Sacred Heart parish as co-pastor under Father Melovasich, continues to teach at WEPS.
- 1969-73 (approx.) Klein sexually abuses Victim #2 (John LL Doe), a minor, Sacred Heart parish altar server and WEPS student.** Abuse occurs various locations, including Klein's mother's home in Brainerd, Minnesota, and Sacred Heart premises and rectory.
- 1970 or 1971 (approx.) Klein sexually abuses Victim #3 (John MM Doe), a student at WEPS and altar server at St. Peter's and St. Jean's parishes.** Abuse occurs at Klein's mother's home in Brainerd, Minnesota, and in Klein's car.
- Victim #3 immediately informed his mother of the abuse the day after it happened. Victim #3's mother reported it to WEPS officials and was told by a school sister to keep quiet and it would be taken care of. Klein is immediately removed from teaching job at WEPS.
- 1972-74 (approx.) Klein sexually abuses Victim #4 (Doe 28), a minor, and Sacred Heart altar server.**
- 1974-75 (approx.) Klein sexually abuses Victim #5.**

Multiple Diocesan officials are informed of Klein's sexual abuse of Victim #5.

- 1976 March 1976: Bishop Anderson removes Klein from Sacred Heart parish and sends him to Leo Graham in Milwaukee for more treatment.
- 1976 (approx.) Klein returns to Duluth. Works part-time with religious education office.
- 1979 May 1979: Klein moves to mother's house in Brainerd.
- 1981-83 Full-time liturgy director.
- 1983 Summer 1983: Diocese determines Klein "disabled, retired and unassigned." He is placed on "Total unassignment status." However, Klein continues to provide adult religious instruction and fill in at parishes in diocese. Diocese provides Klein disability allowance from the Diocese clergy fund.
- 1984-87 Klein sexually abuses Victim #6, Victim #7, Victim #8, and Victim #9 - all minors - who lived near Klein in Brainerd and visited Klein at his residence frequently.**
- 1987-88 One of the Brainerd victims reports Klein's abuse to a relative. The abuse is reported to police. Klein is charged with several counts of criminal sexual conduct for abusing Victims #6-#9, and is convicted on all but two of the counts.
- 2000 Klein dies.