



Dear Brother Priests and Deacons,

In November 2018, the Archdiocese of Philadelphia announced the launch of an Independent Reconciliation and Reparations Program (IRRP) in order to provide financial support for victims of clergy sexual abuse, especially those whose cases are time barred from civil litigation.

As was noted at that time, the program operates entirely free from the influence or supervision of Archdiocesan staff and leadership and is administered by nationally respected, independent experts with full authority to provide compensation for the good of survivors who need assistance. It is monitored by an Independent Oversight Committee, which issues regular public reports on the work of this initiative.

Today, the Independent Oversight Committee issued its third public report regarding the progress of the IRRP to date. You can view the news release and download a copy of the report at the following link.

<https://www.prnewswire.com/news-releases/independent-oversight-committee-of-the-archdiocese-of-philadelphia-independent-reconciliation-and-reparation-program-publishes-third-interim-report-301083007.html>

Links to Reports Previously Issued by the Independent Oversight Committee

The Independent Oversight Committee released its first public interim report on February 15, 2019. You can view the news release and download a copy of the report at the following link.

<https://www.prnewswire.com/news-releases/independent-oversight-committee-of-the-archdiocese-of-philadelphia-independent-reconciliation-and-reparation-program-publishes-first-interim-report-300796761.html>.

The Independent Oversight Committee released its second public interim report on June 3, 2019. You can view the news release and download a copy of the report at the following link.

<https://www.dlapiper.com/en/us/news/2019/06/independent-oversight-committee-publishes-second-interim-report/>

For further information about ongoing efforts on the part of the Archdiocese to provide assistance to survivors of clergy sexual abuse and protect the children and young people entrusted to its care, please visit www.AOPPLedgetoProtect.com. Kindly consider sharing this material broadly in your parish community in the manner that you deem most appropriate. Thank you.

Sincerely in Christ,
Rev. Msgr. Daniel J. Sullivan
Vicar for Clergy

