

**A courageous victim/survivor of childhood sexual abuse by a religious sister (nun) will speak publicly for the first time about the sexual abuse she experienced and the re-victimization she was subject to during a recent meeting with the abusive sister’s religious order**

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*A Buffalo-area woman will speak publicly for the first time about the sexual abuse she experienced as an elementary school student at an Amherst, NY, Catholic parish school and convent by a religious sister (nun)*

*“Jane Doe” will reveal her identity and the two-part story of childhood sexual abuse in a Catholic elementary school and convent AND her re-victimization by the religious order which supervised the abusive religious sister (nun)*

What

A press conference by a female childhood sexual abuse victim/survivor of a religious sister (nun) when she was a student at Christ the King Elementary School in Amherst (Snyder), NY. Recently, the victim/survivor met with a representative of the religious order of sisters in a Buffalo-area parish meeting room and was re-victimized by the encounter. The childhood sexual abuse and the subsequent encounter with the religious order will be described in detail.

When

Thursday, July 12, 2018 at 11:30 am

Where

On the public sidewalk outside Christ the King Parish, 30 Lamarck Drive at Main Street, Amherst, NY 14226

Who

“Jane Doe,” a courageous victim/survivor of childhood sexual abuse who will reveal her identity; and, **Robert M. Hoatson, Ph.D.**, co-founder and President of Road to Recovery, Inc., a non-profit charity based in New Jersey and advocate for “Jane Doe”

Why

“Jane Doe” was a minor child when she attended Christ the King Elementary School in Amherst, NY. One of her teachers, a religious sister (nun), sexually abused her on the school and parish campus. She was seriously harmed by the sexual abuse. Recently, “Jane Doe” met with a representative of the religious order that supervised the alleged abusive nun and “Jane Doe” was re-victimized by the encounter. She and her supporters will demand that the religious order of sisters treat “Jane Doe” with compassion and justice and that the Diocese of Buffalo intervene in the matter by conducting a thorough investigation of the religious order of sisters and sexual abuse at Christ the King School.

**(OUT OF RESPECT FOR THE VICTIM/SURVIVOR, THERE WILL BE NO PRE-INTERVIEWS)**

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