

Mitchell Garabedian, the attorney for thirteen (13) clergy sexual abuse victims, has received financial settlement offers from the Diocese of Buffalo, some of which are acceptable to the victims while others are insulting and re-victimize the victim/survivors. Bishop Richard Malone must be completely transparent by publicly releasing all documents and names relating to clergy sexual abuse in the Diocese of Buffalo, and then resign.

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Bishop Richard Malone must be completely transparent and publicly release all documents and names in his possession identifying pedophile priests and deacons and those who enabled and covered up clergy sexual abuse in the Diocese of Buffalo, and then resign

What

A press conference discussing the offers to thirteen (13) victims of clergy sexual abuse, some of which are acceptable and others that are insulting and re-victimizing. Bishop Richard Malone must release all documents relating to all cases of clergy sexual abuse in the Diocese of Buffalo, and then resign

When

Thursday, December 20, 2018 at 11:30 am

Where

On the public sidewalk across from the Diocese of Buffalo, New York at 795 Main Street, Buffalo, New York 14203

Who

Michael Whalen, resident of Buffalo, New York, and victim/survivor of clergy sexual abuse in the Diocese of Buffalo, New York; **Robert M. Hoatson, Ph.D.**, former priest of the Archdiocese of Newark, New Jersey, clergy sexual abuse victim/survivor, and co-founder and President of Road to Recovery, Inc., a non-profit charity based in New Jersey that assists victims of sexual abuse and their families; and, **James Faluszczak, MEd.**, resident of Buffalo, New York, graduate of Christ the King Seminary, East Aurora, New York, former priest of the Diocese of Erie, Pennsylvania, and victim/survivor of clergy sexual abuse.

Why

The Victim Compensation Program of the Diocese of Buffalo is not consistent or transparent in its dealings with innocent childhood clergy sexual abuse victims. Some settlement offerings have been acceptable to victims and others are insulting and lack an acceptable explanation. Bishop Richard Malone must release all documents regarding pedophile priests and deacons and those who enabled and covered up the sexual abuse of minor children, and then resign.

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(portrayed in the 2016 Academy Award-winning Best Picture, “Spotlight”)