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STATEMENT FROM BISHOP MYRON J. COTTA

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An accusation of sexual misconduct with a minor occurring in approximately 1973 at St. Mary of the Assumption Parish, Stockton has been received by the Diocese of Stockton against Fr. Louie Ladenburger, O.F.M. Fr. Ladenburger who was a member of the Franciscan Friars of California worked at St. Mary's Parish from 1972 to 1974.

In accordance with diocesan policy, the matter has been reported to the Stockton Police Department and the Diocese will continue to fully cooperate with law enforcement. The policy dealing with Allegations of Sexual Abuse of Minors may be found on the diocesan website under the term "Protecting Our Children."

www.stocktondiocese.org

<http://stocktondiocese.org/english/children/policy.html>

If anyone has information regarding this matter or any sexual abuse of a minor, please notify Connie Jacob, the Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator, 212 North San Joaquin Street, Stockton, California, 95202, 209-466-0636.

We ask that you please remember all survivors of sexual abuse in your prayers.

