



June 7, 2005 - Archdiocese of Boston Announces that Reverend Monsignor Robert Fichtner will be Returned to Public Ministry

(Brighton, Massachusetts) June 7, 2005...The Archdiocese of Boston today announced that the Reverend Monsignor Robert Fichtner will be able to exercise public ministry.

In 2003, Monsignor Fichtner was placed on administrative leave following the receipt of a single complaint of sexual abuse of a minor more than twenty years ago. After careful review of the information available regarding the complaint, the Review Board determined that the allegation was unsubstantiated. In light of this finding, Archbishop O'Malley has lifted all restrictions on Monsignor Fichtner's exercise of public ministry.

The Archbishop reiterates his concern for all persons impacted by the tragedy of sexual abuse, as well as his firm intention to resolve cases of this type as expeditiously as possible, in a manner that is just for all parties concerned.

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