March 2, 2007 - Statement of the Archdiocese of Boston Regarding Father Thomas Curran

(Brighton, MA) March 2, 2007 - The Archdiocese of Boston today announced that two allegations of sexual abuse of a minor by Fr. Thomas Curran have been found to be unsubstantiated. Fr. Curran was placed on administrative leave in August 2002 due to the first accusation. A second accusation was received in March 2004. Fr. Curran has been removed from administrative leave and has been assigned the status of Permanent Disability.

While the canonical process concluded that the complaints against Fr. Thomas Curran were unsubstantiated, nonetheless Fr. Curran’s ministry will be restricted to sacramental celebrations with members of his family. In making today’s announcement Cardinal Seán O’Malley expressed his concern for all persons impacted by the sexual abuse crisis. The Archdiocese is committed to resolving cases of this type in a manner that is just for all parties.

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