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Regarding Fr. James Roth, OSFS (former Brother of the Oblates of St. Frances de Sales)

On Thursday, March 26, 2015, the Diocese of Salt Lake City, received information that the Archdiocese of Detroit and the Diocese of Toledo posted a notice on their respective websites regarding Fr. James Roth, OSFS. The statement is as follows:

“The Toledo-Detroit Province of the Oblates of St. Francis de Sales (OSFS) has deemed credible a complaint of sexual misconduct with a minor by one of the religious order’s priests, Fr. James Roth (1953-2015). From 1995-2004, during his time as a teacher, guidance counselor, and administrator at St. Francis de Sales High School in Toledo, Ohio, Fr. Roth also helped with the weekend Mass and sacramental schedule at St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception Church in Monroe, Michigan. Other assignments included schools in Utah and Ontario, Canada. Fr. Roth died February 11, 2015.”

From 1987-1993, while serving as a brother of the Oblates of St. Francis de Sales, Fr. Roth worked at Judge Memorial Catholic High School.

If you wish to make a report relating to this matter, please contact Sandy Growe, Director of the Office of Safe Environment for the Diocese of Salt Lake City at 801.328.8641, sandy.growe@dioslc.org. All other inquiries should be directed to Susan Dennin, Director of Communications at susan.dennin@dioslc.org. For more information, please go to the following webpage: www.TDprovince.org.

The Diocese of Salt Lake City is committed to the implementation of the *Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People*, adopted June 4, 2002 by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, and will respond swiftly to evaluate an initial complaint and thoroughly investigate any accusation of sexual misconduct.