



OFFICE OF THE  
VICAR FOR CLERGY

## IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT



James W. Pommier

The Diocese of Bismarck has advised the USCCB that **James Pommier**, formerly a priest in that diocese and currently living on the Olympic Peninsula, has **committed serious offenses against young people resulting in his dismissal from the clerical state by the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith.**

It has been reported to the Archdiocese of Seattle that Mr. Pommier has recently introduced himself as a priest in a parish in the Olympic Deanery. Mr. Pommier has been contacted by Pat Crowley, General Counsel for the Archdiocese and informed he is not to do so. Mr. Pommier has denied that he has represented himself as a priest.

Please include this information in your parish bulletin as part of our combined effort to safeguard children and youth of our communities. If you have questions or further information please contact Father Paul Magnano, Vicar for Clergy at 206-382-7317.