

## 15. Fr James Stephenson SJ: 1906-1979

<b>Born</b>	April 16, 1906
<b>Entered the Society</b>	September 1, 1925
<b>Ordained</b>	June 24, 1937
<b>Died</b>	April 11, 1979

<b>LOCATION</b>	<b>ASSIGNMENT</b>
▪ <b>St Stanislaus College, Tullamore</b>	Studies Philosophy
▪ <b>Clongowes Wood College</b>	Teacher
▪ <b>Innsbruck, Austria</b>	Studies Theology
▪ <b>Milltown Park Dublin</b>	Studies Philosophy; Studies Theology
▪ <b>Rathfarnham, Dublin</b>	Studies at UCD, Final Year of Training
▪ <b>Belvedere College, Dublin</b>	Teacher
▪ <b>Sacred Heart College, Limerick</b>	Teacher
▪ <b>Mungret College, Limerick</b>	Teacher
▪ <b>Gardiner Street, Dublin</b>	Works in the church
▪ <b>Leeson Street, Dublin</b>	Assistant Principal/Bursar of University Hall
▪ <b>Hatch Street, Dublin</b>	Bursar

### **Complaints**

There are four child sexual abuse complaints against Fr James Stephenson SJ. The complaints against him relate to Sacred Heart College Limerick and to Gardiner Street Church Dublin during the 1950s and 1960s.

We are not aware of any child sexual abuse complaints having been made against Fr James Stephenson SJ during his lifetime.

### **Acknowledgement and apology**

We acknowledge how painful it must be for a survivor of abuse by Fr James Stephenson SJ to read this. We are truly sorry for the pain inflicted on you, the abuse you suffered, and the fact that you were not protected by the Order. We know that words of sorrow from us, no matter how sincerely meant, will ring hollow if they are

not accompanied by action. One of the key factors for the Order in naming deceased Jesuits accused of child sexual abuse is to try and reach out to those who have been abused by such Jesuits and encourage them to contact our safeguarding office and/or the relevant authorities. We want to assist you in whatever ways we can, and we have services on offer that you might want to avail of. So once again, we ask you or anyone who has suffered abuse or has any concerns relating to any Jesuit to contact our safeguarding office (email: [safeguarding@jesuit.ie](mailto:safeguarding@jesuit.ie); mobile: 083-0874254) and/or the relevant authorities.