

LESS THAN 1% OF PRIESTS CREDIBLY ACCUSED



Bill Donohue comments on the results of the latest annual survey of clergy sexual abuse conducted by Georgetown University's Center for Applied Research in the Apostolate:

Never before has there been better news about clergy sexual abuse, and never have the media been more quiet about it.

- Between July 1, 2013 and June 30, 2014, there were 294 credible accusations of sexual abuse of a minor by a priest or deacon.
- The time period extended back to the 1920s.
- Exactly two were made in 2014. The 2014 figure means that .68 percent of the accusations were deemed credible.
- As usual, the vast majority of the accusations were found to be unsubstantiated or proven false.
- As usual, most of the alleged offenders—74 percent—were deceased, already removed from ministry, already laicized, or missing.
- As usual, most of the alleged victims—75 percent—were male.
- As usual, most—71 percent—were postpubescent; only 20 percent were prepubescent (there was no identifiable age for 9 percent).
- As usual, three-quarters of the alleged sexual abuse took place between 1960 and 1984; as usual, the most common time period was 1975-1979.

In other words, most of the priests who were credibly accused were homosexual. This has always been the case. And most of

the alleged abuse took place at the height of the sexual revolution. Small wonder.

The media, of course, don't want to report on this. For example, Yahoo News picked up a story from a French source but never reported the numbers I mentioned. Indeed, they lied: they attributed the problem to pedophilia. In fact, it is indisputably, and overwhelmingly, a problem attributable to gay priests.

The Catholic Church has long since had a serious problem with this issue, yet bigoted comedians and biased reporters continue to rip away, lying about the facts.