



Sexual and Spiritual Violence against Adult Men and Women in the Catholic Church

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Topics that might be covered include:

- Discussion of the concept of spiritual abuse and spiritual violence
- Adults as victims of sexual abuse in the Church
- Abuse in religious congregations and orders
- Legal aspects of clergy sexual abuse of adult persons
- Gender issues with regard to sexualized/spiritualized violence
- Other Christian denominations than the Catholic Church





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