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Two Teens Charged with Murder of Oxnard Man Sleeping Outside Church

VENTURA, Calif. – District Attorney Erik Nasarenko announced today that two Oxnard teenagers, 14 and 15 years old, have been charged with the murder of Davy Glen Pichel. The juveniles were in court this morning for arraignment. The Court ordered both minors detained at the Juvenile Facility. At the request of their attorneys, their arraignments were continued to June 24, 2025, at 8:30 a.m. in J3.

On June 5, 2025, Mr. Pichel was found deceased outside St. Anthony's Catholic Church in Oxnard. A church volunteer discovered Mr. Pichel in the church side entrance with significant injuries to the head and facial area. He was also partially unclothed. Paramedics arrived and pronounced Mr. Pichel dead at the scene around 6:40 a.m., prompting a response from the Oxnard Police Department.

Church security footage from the evening of June 4, 2025, captured the alleged actions of the teens. The video shows the teens approach Mr. Pichel as he was seated near the church side door next to his wheelchair. The teens allegedly beat and stomped the victim. They briefly walked away, but then allegedly returned to take turns to stomp him again. They walked away again but returned to repeatedly stomp the victim. During this third attack the teens allegedly removed part of the victim's clothing before fleeing the scene.

Senior Deputy District Attorney Joann Roth, a member of the Ventura County District Attorney's Office Juvenile Unit, is prosecuting the case. The case was investigated by the Oxnard Police Department.