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# Notes regarding disclosure

Included in this disclosure are clergy members from other dioceses or religious orders who at one time worked in the archdiocese and were accused of engaging in sexual abuse of minors in our archdiocese, to the extent we have reliable and sufficient information to determine whether the claim was credible and could be substantiated. These disclosures will indicate that the individuals are non-diocesan clergy. We may not be able to report on the present status of such clergy members because the archdiocese does not always have access to such information since they are under the authority of their respective diocese or religious order. We do not have sufficient information to make a disclosure regarding priests from outside our archdiocese who may have served here at some point in time but committed child sexual abuse elsewhere.

Also, please note: Despite our best efforts to provide accurate information, our listings at this time may include some errors or omissions. The archdiocese requests that anyone with additional information or corrections regarding clergy members that are or should be subject to disclosure, to contact Greta Sawyer, the archdiocese's Victim Assistance Coordinator at 651-291-4497.

Thomas Adamson

Date of birth: 7/12/1933 (Age 80)

Date of ordination: 1958

Cleric's prior assignments in archdiocese:

- Diocese of Winona, 1958-1975;
- St. Leo the Great, St. Paul, 1975-1976;
- St. Boniface, St. Bonifacius, 1976;
- St. Thomas Aquinas, St. Paul Park, 1976-1979;
- Immaculate Conception, Columbia Heights, 1979-1980;
- Risen Savior, Apple Valley, 1981-1985;
- Returned to Diocese of Winona, 1985

Diocese or religious order: Diocese of Winona

Date removed from ministry: 1985

Current location: Rochester, Minn.

Current status: Permanently removed from ministry from our archdiocese

John Brown

Date of birth: 7/2/1920 (Age: 93)

Date of ordination: 1948

Cleric's prior assignments in archdiocese:

- Associate priest, St. Timothy, Maple Lake, 1948-1949;
- Associate priest, Sacred Heart, Robbinsdale, 1949-1950;
- Associate priest, St. John, St. Paul, 1950-1951;
- Associate priest, Church of St. Joseph, Hopkins, 1951-1956;
- Chaplain, U.S. Army, 1956-1958;
- Associate priest, St. Mary, LeCenter, 1958-1960;
- Temporary administrator, St. Mary, LeCenter, 1960;
- Administrator, St. Mary, Waverly, 1960-1963;
- Pastor, St. Mary, Waverly, 1963-1964;
- Pastor, St. Anthony of Padua, Minneapolis, 1964-1966;
- Pastor, Immaculate Conception, Marysburg, 1966-1970;
- Pastor, Sacred Heart, Faribault, 1970-1978;
- Pastor, St. Peter Claver, St. Paul, 1978-1981;
- Pastor, Annunciation, Hazelwood, 1981-1990

Diocese or religious order: Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis

Date permanently removed from ministry: 2002

Current location: Maplewood, Minn.

Current status: Permanently removed from ministry

Cosmas Dahlheimer

Date of birth: 11/20/1908, deceased

Date of ordination: 1936

St. John's Abbey, 1936-1969;

- Associate priest, St. Augustine, St. Cloud, 1969-1973;
- Associate priest, St. Bernard, St. Paul, 1973-1978;

Returned to St. John's Abbey, 1978

Diocese or religious order: Order of St. Benedict, St. John's Abbey

Date permanently removed from ministry: Unknown (died 2004)

Current location: Deceased

Current status: Died in 2004

Gilbert DeSutter

Date of birth: 4/28/1928 (Age: 85)

Date of ordination: 1964

Cleric's prior assignments in archdiocese:

- Associate priest, St. Mark, St. Paul, 1954-1956;
- Associate priest, St. Mary, St. Paul, 1956;
- Associate priest, Annunciation, Minneapolis, 1956-1964;
- Associate priest, St. Peter, Richfield, 1964-1968;
- Spiritual director, St. John Vianney Seminary, St. Paul, 1968-1973;
- Pastor, Immaculate Conception, Faribault, 1973 -1976;
- Pastor, St. William, Fridley, 1976-1983;
- Pastor, St. Michael, Prior Lake, 1983-1993;
- Resigned with limited ministry, 1993-2003

Diocese or religious order: Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis

Date permanently removed from ministry: 2003

Current location: Mesa, Ariz.

Current status: Permanently removed from ministry

Gilbert Gustafson

Date of birth: 4/18/1951 (Age 62)

Date of ordination: 1977

Cleric's prior assignments in archdiocese:

- Associate priest, St. Mary of the Lake, White Bear Lake, 1977-1982;
- Administrator, St. Mary of the Lake, White Bear Lake, 1978;
- Associate director, Continuing Education and Spiritual Growth for Priests, Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis, 1982;
- Student, Catholic University of America, Washington D.C., 1982-1983;
- In residence, St. Matthew, St. Paul, 1983-1988;
- In residence, St. Peter, Mendota, 1988-2002 (unassigned);
- Resigned, 2002

Diocese or religious order: Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis

Date permanently removed from ministry: 2002

Current location: St. Paul, Minn.

Current status: Permanently removed from ministry

Louis Heitzer

Date of birth: 7/15/1914, deceased

Date of ordination: 1942

- Associate priest, Most Holy Trinity, Winsted (New Ulm) 1942-1944;
- Associate priest, St. Andrew, Fairfax (New Ulm), 1944;
- Associate pastor, Assumption, St. Paul, 1944-1945;
- Associate priest, Holy Redeemer, Marshall (New Ulm), 1945;
- Associate priest, St. Mary, Sleepy Eye (New Ulm), 1945-1948;
- Associate priest, St. Joseph, Waconia, 1948;
- Associate priest, St. Aloysius, Olivia (New Ulm), 1948-1950;
- Administrator, Sacred Heart, Franklin (New Ulm), 1950-1954;
- Pastor, St. Joseph, Rosen, 1954-1955;
- Pastor, St. Michael, Gaylord (New Ulm), 1955-1956;
- Pastor, St. Luke, Clearwater, 1956-1958;
- Pastor, St. Scholastica, Heidelberg, 1958-1966;
- Associate priest, St. Richard, Richfield, 1966-1967

Date permanently removed from ministry: 1969

Current location: Deceased

Current status: Died in 1969

Rudolph Henrich

Date of birth: 4/3/1906, deceased

Date of ordination: 1933

Cleric's prior assignments in archdiocese:

- Associate priest, St. James, St. Paul, 1933-1937;
- Associate priest, Most Holy Trinity, Winsted, 1937-1938;
- Associate priest, St. Mark, Shakopee, 1938;
- Chaplain, State Training School for Boys, Red Wing, 1938-1942;
- Chaplain, U.S. Navy, 1942-1946;
- Chaplain, State Training School for Boys, Red Wing, 1946-1952;
- Chaplain, U.S. Forces, 1952-1954;
- Pastor, St. Boniface, Stewart (New Ulm), 1954-1957;
- Pastor, St. Margaret Mary, Minneapolis, 1957-1976

Diocese or religious order: Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis

Date permanently removed from ministry: 1976

Current location: Deceased

Current status: Died in 1992

Francis Hoefgen

Date of birth: 8/1/1950 (Age 63)

Date of ordination: 1979

St. Boniface, Cold Spring, 1980-1984;

- Associate priest, St. Boniface, Hastings, 1985-1992;
- Confessor, Villa Maria Center, Frontenac, 1985-1994

Diocese or religious order: Order of St. Benedict, St. John's Abbey

Date permanently removed from ministry: 2002

Current location: Columbia Heights, Minn.

Current status: Left order and laicized in 2012

Richard Jeub

Date of birth: 2/21/1940 (Age: 73)

Date of ordination: 1966

Cleric's prior assignments in archdiocese:

- Associate priest, St. Joseph, Hopkins, 1966-1967;
- Associate priest, Our Lady of Grace, Edina, 1967-1970
- Associate priest, St. Mark, St. Paul, 1970-1976;
- Associate priest, Christ the King, Minneapolis, 1976-1978;
- Chaplain, Methodist Hospital, St. Louis Park, 1978-1982;
- Chaplain, Fairview Southdale Hospital, Edina, 1978-1982;
- Pastor, St. Kevin, Minneapolis, 1981-1990;
- Associate priest, Sacred Heart, Robbinsdale, 1996-1997;
- Associate priest, Sacred Heart/St. Lawrence, Faribault, 1997-2000;
- Associate priest, St. Rose of Lima, Roseville, 2000-2002;
- Retired, 2002

Diocese or religious order: Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis

Date permanently removed from ministry: 2002

Current location: Crosby, Minn.

Current status: Permanently removed from ministry

Dennis Kampa

Date of birth: 5/31/1932 (Age 81)

Date of ordination: 1968

Cleric's prior assignments in archdiocese:

- Associate priest, Immaculate Conception, Faribault, 1968-1969;
- Associate priest, St. Mark, St. Paul, 1969-1972;
- Associate priest, St. Joseph, West St. Paul, 1972-1974;
- Associate priest, Holy Family, St. Louis Park, 1974-1976;
- Associate priest, Holy Trinity, South St. Paul, 1976-1980;
- Pastor, St. Vincent de Paul, Osseo, 1980-1989;
- Administrator, St. Michael, Pine Island, 1989-1990;
- Administrator, St. Michael, Kenyon, 1989-1990;
- Pastor, St. Michael, Pine Island, 1990-2002;
- Retired, 2002

Diocese or religious order: Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis

Date permanently removed from ministry: 2003

Current location: Victoria, Minn.

Current status: Permanently removed from ministry

Robert Kapoun

Date of birth: 12/1/1938 (Age 75)

Date of ordination: 1964

- Associate priest, Holy Redeemer, Montgomery, 1964-1967;
- Associate priest, St. Kevin, Minneapolis, 1967-1971;
- Associate priest, St. Raphael, Crystal, 1971-1974;
- Chaplain, Home of the Good Shepherd, St. Paul, 1974-1976;
- Medical leave, 1976-1977;
- Pastor, St. Patrick, Cedar Lake, 1977-1984;
- Administrator, St. Catherine, Spring Lake, 1977-1984;
- Pastor, St. Scholastica, Heidelberg, 1984-1996;
- Administrator, St. Joseph, Lexington, 1984-1996;

- Pastor, St. Thomas, St. Thomas, 1991-1996;
- Resigned, 1996;
- Retired, 1998

Date permanently removed from ministry: 2002

Current location: Cold Spring, Minn.

Current status: Permanently removed from ministry

Jerome Kern

Date of birth: 3/20/1941 (Age 72)

Date of ordination: 1966

Cleric's prior assignments in archdiocese:

- Associate priest, St. Mark, St. Paul, 1967-70;
- Associate priest, Our Lady of Grace, Edina, 1970-1975;
- Administrator, Our Lady of Grace, Edina, 1975-1976;
- Co-pastor, Immaculate Heart of Mary, Minnetonka, 1976-1994;
- Sabbatical, 1994-1995 (in residence at St. Paul Seminary);
- Temporary administrator, St. Dominic, Northfield, 1995;
- Associate priest, St. Peter, Forest Lake, 1995-2002

Diocese or religious order: Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis

Date permanently removed from ministry: 2002

Current location: Edina, Minn.

Current status: Permanently removed from ministry

Lee Krautkremer

Date of birth: 8/28/1940 (Age 73)

Date of ordination: 1966

- Associate priest, Immaculate Conception, Faribault, 1966;
- Associate priest, St. Peter, North St. Paul, 1966-1967;
- Associate priest, St. Margaret Mary, Golden Valley, 1967-1968;
- Associate priest, St. Michael, St. Michael, 1968-1970;
- Associate priest, St. Michael, West St. Paul, 1970-1975;
- Associate priest, St. Peter, Forest Lake, 1975-1978;
- Pastor, St. Joseph, Lino Lakes, 1978-1984;
- Pastor, St. Michael, St. Michael, 1984-1987;
- Pastor, Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Minneapolis, 1987-1989;
- Chaplain, North Memorial Hospital, Robbinsdale, 1987-2002

Date permanently removed from ministry: 2002

Current location: Minneapolis, Minn.

Current status: Laicized in 2006

Ronan Charles Liles

Date of birth: 9/6/1942

Date of ordination: 1969

Cleric's prior assignments in archdiocese:

- St. Albert the Great, Minneapolis, 1969-1978;
- Dominican Fathers provincial office, Chicago, 1978-1979;
- Dominican Fathers and Brothers, Southern Dominican Province, New Orleans, 1979- 1982;
- Leave of absence

Diocese or religious order: Order of Preachers (Dominicans)

Date permanently removed from ministry: Dismissed from order and dispensed from vows in 1985

Current location: Believed to have died sometime before 2006

Current status: Believed to have died sometime before 2006

Alfred Longley

Date of birth: 9/17/1913, deceased

Date of ordination: 1939

Cleric's prior assignments in archdiocese:

- Associate priest, Immaculate Conception, Faribault, 1939-1942;
- Military chaplain, U.S. Army, 1942-1952;
- Pastor, St. Richard, Richfield, 1952-1961;
- Chaplain, Riverside Medical Center, Minneapolis, 1962-1964;
- Pastor, St. Jude of the Lake, Mahtomedi, 1964

Diocese or religious order: Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis

Date permanently removed from ministry: 1968

Current location: Deceased

Current status: Died in 1974

**Brennan Maiers** 

Date of birth: 4/27/1936 (Age 77)

Date of ordination: 1963

Cleric's prior assignments in archdiocese:

Pastor, St. Bernard, St. Paul, 1983-1990

Diocese or religious order: Order of St. Benedict, St. John's Abbey

Date permanently removed from ministry: 2002

Current location: Collegeville, Minn.

Current status: Permanently removed from ministry

Timothy McCarthy

Date of birth: 6/26/1946 (Age 67)

Date of ordination: 1973

Cleric's prior assignments in archdiocese:

- Associate priest, St. Leo, St. Paul, 1973-1974;
- Associate priest, All Saints, Lakeville, 1974-1977;
- Administrator, St. Andrew, Elysian, 1977-1982;
- Associate priest, St. Peter Claver, St. Paul, 1982-1984;
- On special assignment, 1982-1984;
- Associate priest, Guardian Angels, Lake Elmo, 1984;
- Associate priest, St. Joseph, Lino Lakes, 1984-1986;
- Pastor, Holy Redeemer, Maplewood, 1986-1991;
- Resigned, 1991

Diocese or religious order: Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis

Date permanently removed from ministry: 1991

Current location: Believed to be residing in Oakdale, Minn., or St. Paul, Minn.

Current status: Permanently removed from ministry

John McGrath

Date of birth: 4/13/1931, deceased

Date of ordination: 1957

Cleric's prior assignments in archdiocese:

- Associate priest, Nativity, St. Paul, 1957-1965;
- Associate priest, St. Helena, Minneapolis, 1965-1969;
- Associate priest, St. Andrew, St. Paul, 1969-1970;
- Administrative staff, University of St. Thomas, St. Paul, 1970-1976;
- Pastor, Sacred Heart, Robbinsdale, 1976-1995

Diocese or religious order: Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis

Date permanently removed from ministry: 1995

Current location: Deceased

Current status: Died in 1995

#### Paul Palmitessa

Date of birth: 1/18/1931 (Age 82)

Date of ordination: 1956

Cleric's prior assignments in archdiocese:

- Associate priest, Cathedral of St. Paul, 1956-1968;
- Pastor, Holy Redeemer, St. Paul, 1968-1979;
- Pastor, St. Paul, Zumbrota, 1979-1982;
- Administrator, St. Mary, Bellechester, 1979-1982;
- Diocese of San Diego, 1982-1988;
- Excardinated, Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis; incardinated, Diocese of San Diego,
  1988

Diocese or religious order: Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis and Diocese of San Diego

Date permanently removed from ministry: Retired in 1998, limited ministry until 2012

Current location: Santee, Calif.

Current status: No longer in ministry, (determined by the Diocese of San Diego)

Joseph Pinkosh

Date of birth: 10/27/1943 (Age 70)

Date of ordination: 1969

Cleric's prior assignments in archdiocese:

- Associate priest, St. Joseph, Hopkins, 1969-1972;
- Associate priest, St. Wenceslaus, New Prague, 1972-1974;
- Associate priest, Holy Cross, Minneapolis, 1974-1981;
- Pastor, St. Patrick, Shieldsville, 1981-1992

Diocese or religious order: Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis

Date permanently removed from ministry: 1992

Current location: Columbia Heights, Minn.

Current status: Left ministry in 1992

## Francis Reynolds

Date of birth: 9/5/1922, deceased

Date of ordination: 1955

Cleric's prior assignments in archdiocese:

- Associate priest, Maternity of Mary, St. Paul, 1955-1957;
- Associate priest, St. Patrick, St. Paul, 1957-1964;
- Associate priest, Visitation, Minneapolis, 1964-1966;
- Associate priest, St. Margaret Mary, Golden Valley, 1966-1968;
- Pastor, St. Francis Xavier, Buffalo, 1968-1985;
- Pastor, Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Minneapolis, 1985-1986;

Diocese or religious order: Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis

Date permanently removed from ministry: 1987

Current location: Deceased

Current status: Died in 1988

Richard Skluzacek

Date of birth: 8/10/1932, deceased

Date of ordination: 1957

- Associate priest, St. Stanislaus, St. Paul, 1957-1964;
- Administrator, St. Stanislaus, St. Paul, 1964-1966;
- Associate priest, St. Stephen, Anoka, 1966-1967;
- Associate priest, Most Holy Redeemer, Montgomery, 1967-1968;
- Administrator, Most Holy Trinity, Veseli, 1968-1973;
- Administrator, St. Nicholas, New Market, 1970-1974;
- Pastor, Most Holy Trinity, Veseli, 1974;
- Pastor, Corpus Christi, Roseville, 1974-1978;
- Pastor, St. Joseph, Hopkins, 1978-1990;
- Chaplain, Veterans Medical Center, Minneapolis, 1990-1998;

Date permanently removed from ministry: 2005

Current location: Deceased

Current status: Died in 2012

Michael Stevens

Date of birth: 12/24/1954 (Age 58)

Date of ordination: 1980

Cleric's prior assignments in archdiocese:

- Associate priest, St. Michael, Prior Lake, 1980-1982;
- Associate priest, Epiphany, Coon Rapids, 1982-1988;
- In residence, St. Mark, St. Paul, 1988;
- In residence, St. Adalbert, St. Paul, 1988-2003
- Resigned, 2002

Diocese or religious order: Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis

Date permanently removed from ministry: 2002

Current location: Believed to be residing in St. Paul, Minn.

Current status: Permanently removed from ministry

**Thomas Stitts** 

Date of birth: 5/5/1935, deceased

Date of ordination: 1962

- Associate priest, St. Matthew, St. Paul, 1962-1965;
- Associate priest, Our Lady of Grace, Edina, 1965-1966;
- Associate priest, Guardian Angels, Hastings, 1966-1970;
- Associate priest, Blessed Sacrament, St. Paul, 1970;

Administrator, St. Leo, St. Paul, 1970-1973;

• Pastor, St. George, Long Lake, 1973-1980;

Pastor, St. John the Baptist, New Brighton, 1980-1985

Diocese or religious order: Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis

Date permanently removed from ministry: 1985

Current location: Deceased

Current status: Died in 1985

Robert Thurner

Date of birth: 11/25/1925 (Age 88)

Date of ordination: 1951

Cleric's prior assignments in archdiocese:

Associate priest, Most Holy Trinity, St. Louis Park, 1951-1963;

- Administrator, Most Holy Trinity, St. Louis Park, 1959;
- Associate priest, St. Luke, St. Paul, 1963-1967;
- Pastor, St. Michael, Prior Lake, 1967-1970;
- Pastor, St. John the Evangelist, Hopkins, 1970-1983;
- Associate priest, St. Joseph, West St. Paul, 1983-1986;
- Temporary administrator, St. Edward, Bloomington, 1986;
- Pastor, St. Therese, St. Paul, 1986-1991

Diocese or religious order: Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis

Date permanently removed from ministry: 2002

Current location: Maplewood, Minn.

Current status: Permanently removed from ministry

Clarence Vavra

Date of birth: 3/13/1939 (Age 74)

Date of ordination: 1965

# Cleric's prior assignments in archdiocese:

- Associate priest, St. Rose of Lima, Roseville, 1965-1969;
- Associate priest, St. Philip, Minneapolis, 1969-1970;
- Associate priest, St. Peter, North St. Paul, 1970-1971;
- Associate priest, Guardian Angels, Hastings, 1971-1972;
- Absent, 1972-1973;
- Associate priest, St. Matthew, St. Paul, 1973-1975;
- Diocese of Rapid City, 1975-1976;
- Associate priest, Holy Spirit, St. Paul, 1976-1977;
- Pastor, Sacred Heart Rush City, 1977-1978;
- Administrator, St. Gregory, North Branch, 1977-1978;
- Associate priest, St. Wenceslaus, New Prague, 1979;
- Associate priest, St. Jerome, Maplewood, 1979-1981;
- Pastor, Holy Redeemer, Maplewood, 1981-1986;
- Unassigned, 1986-1987;
- Temporary administrator, St. Genevieve, Centerville, 1987;
- Pastor, St. Nicholas, New Market, 1987-1992;
- Temporary administrator, St. Philip, Minneapolis, 1992-1993;
- Pastor, St. Philip, Minneapolis, 1993-1996;
- Sabbatical, 1996-1997;
- Associate priest, Nativity of Mary, Cleveland, 1997;
- Associate priest, Most Holy Redeemer, Montgomery, 1997-2003;
- Associate priest, St. Patrick, Shieldsville, 1997-2003;
- Retired, 2003

Diocese or religious order: Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis

Date permanently removed from ministry: 2003

Current location: New Prague, Minn.

Current status: Permanently removed from ministry

Joseph Wajda

Date of birth: 2/9/1947 (Age 66)

Date of ordination: 1973

- Associate priest, St. Raphael, Crystal, 1973-1977;
- Associate priest, Immaculate Conception, Columbia Heights, 1977-1981;
- Administrator, Immaculate Conception, Columbia Heights, 1980-1981;
- Associate priest, St. Rose of Lima, Roseville, 1982-1986;
- Temporary administrator, St. Joseph, Waconia, 1986;
- Temporary administrator, Sts. Peter and Paul, Loretto, 1986;
- Pastor, Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Minneapolis, 1986-1987;
- Pastor, St. Andrew, St. Paul, 1987-1989;
- Associate priest, Blessed Sacrament, St. Paul, 1990-1991;
- Student, Catholic University of America, 1992-1994;
- Judicial Vicar, Metropolitan Tribunal, St. Paul, 1996-2002

Date permanently removed from ministry: 2003

Current location: Minneapolis, Minn.

Current status: Permanently removed from ministry

Raymond Walter

Date of birth: 7/28/1915, deceased

Date of ordination: 1941

Cleric's prior assignments in archdiocese:

• St. Alphonsus, Brooklyn Center, 1964-1978, 1981-1989

Diocese or religious order: Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer (Redemptorists)

Date permanently removed from ministry: 2003

Current location: Deceased

Current status: Died in 2003

Curtis Wehmeyer

Date of birth: 9/28/1964 (Age 49)

Date of ordination: 2001

Cleric's prior assignments in archdiocese:

- Associate pastor, St. Joseph, West St. Paul, 2001-2006;
- Parochial administrator, Blessed Sacrament, St. Paul, 2006-2009;
- Pastor, St. Thomas the Apostle, St. Paul, 2009-2011;
- Pastor, Blessed Sacrament, St. Paul, 2009-2012

Diocese or religious order: Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis

Date permanently removed from ministry: 2012

Current location: Minnesota Correctional Facility – St. Cloud, Minn.

Current status: Permanently removed from ministry. Incarcerated

Robert Zasacki

Date of birth: 5/13/1940, deceased

Date of ordination: 1967

Cleric's prior assignments in archdiocese:

- Entered archdiocese from Archdiocese of Newark, 1979;
- St. Bridget, Lindstrom, 1982-1983;
- St. Joseph, Lino Lakes, 1983-1984:
- Cathedral of St. Paul, St. Paul, 1984-1985;
- Administrator, St. Peter, Forest Lake, 1985-1987;
- Incardinated, 1987;
- Pastor, St. Peter, Forest Lake, 1987-1989;
- Pastor, St. Peter, Delano, 1989-1995;
- Pastor, St. Joseph, Delano, 1989-1995;
- Pastor, Sacred Heart, Robbinsdale, 1995-2001;
- Pastor, St. Joseph, Hopkins, 2001-2002

Diocese or religious order: Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis and Archdiocese of Newark, N.J.

Date permanently removed from ministry: 2002

Current location: Deceased

Current status: Died in 2008

# Clergy included on John Jay Commission list with unsubstantiated claims

We have disclosed above the names of 29 of the 33 priests on the list provided to the John Jay Commission in 2004 by the archdiocese. We have been able to determine that those 29 priests had substantiated claims asserted against them of sexually abusing a minor. We have not determined that the other four priests had substantiated claims against them of sexually abusing a minor. In fact, we were unable to verify any claim in two of the four cases. Nevertheless, in deference to a recent order from the Ramsey County District Court, we are listing these four priests separately below with further explanation on each.

Eugene Corica

Date of birth: 7/31/1933 (Age 80)

Date of ordination: 1960

Parish assignments:

- Associate priest, St. Patrick, Inver Grove Heights, 1974-1979;
- Pastor, St. Bridget, Minneapolis, 1979-1983;
- Associate pastor, St. Raphael, Crystal, 1983-1985;
- Temporary administrator, Holy Childhood, St. Paul, 1985;
- Administrator, Holy Family, St. Louis Park, 1985-1987;
- Pastor, Holy Family, St. Louis Park, 1987-1995

Diocese or religious order: Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis

Date no longer in ministry: 1995

Current location: Minneapolis, Minn.

Current status: Left ministry in 1995

Eugene Corica was accused of having sexual relationships with adult women. No claim of sexual abuse of a minor was made or substantiated against Corica. We have not been able to determine why he was included in the list provided to the John Jay Commission.

Robert Loftus

Date of birth: 12/22/1930 (Age 82)

Date of ordination: 1963

### Parish assignments:

- Assistant pastor, St. Stephen, Anoka, 1963-1966;
- Assistant pastor, Christ the King, Minneapolis, 1966-1967;
- Assistant pastor, St. Mary's Basilica, 1967-1971;
- Pastor, St. Frances Cabrini, Minneapolis, 1971-1977
- Leave of absence, 1977

Diocese or religious order: Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis

Date no longer in ministry: 1977

Current location: Coon Rapids, Minn.

Current status: Laicized in 1977

Robert Loftus was credibly accused of sexual misconduct with a "young woman" in the early 1970's. We do not have knowledge of the complainant's age at the time of the misconduct. An independent investigator was hired to review the file and advise on whether Loftus should be disclosed as a "substantiated claim." To date, the investigator has not determined whether a claim of sexual abuse of a minor was or can be substantiated. The investigation is continuing, and our disclosures will be updated when the investigation is completed.

Patrick Joseph Ryan

Date of birth: 12/2/1892, deceased

Date of ordination: 1919

#### Parish assignments:

- Associate priest, St. Mary, St. Paul, 1919;
- Associate priest, St. Clement, Minneapolis, 1919-1921;
- Associate priest, St. Stephen, Minneapolis, 1921-1922;
- Associate priest, Immaculate Conception, Faribault, 1922-1933;
- Pastor, St. John, Ortonville (New Ulm), 1933-1943;
- Pastor, Guardian Angels, Hastings, 1943-1965

Diocese or religious order: Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis

Date no longer in ministry: 1965

Current location: Deceased

Current status: Died in 1965

Patrick Ryan was accused posthumously in 2002 of sexually abusing a minor in 1961, and was consequently included in the list provided to the John Jay Commission. The Archdiocese subsequently met with the complainant and hired a private investigative firm. The firm investigated the matter through more than two dozen conversations and face-to-face meetings with the complainant as well as interviews with more than a dozen persons thought to have information relevant to the claim against Ryan. The private investigative firm reported that "this investigation found no credible, corroborating or supporting information which would validate [the] claim of sexual abuse." The claim of sexually abusing a minor was never substantiated.

Roger Vaughn

Date of birth: 6/16/1948 (Age 65)

Date of ordination: 1977

Parish assignments:

 Crosier Monastery and Seminary, Onamia, 1977-1980. Never assigned to ministry or residence in the archdiocese

Diocese or religious order: Canons Regular of the Order of the Holy Cross (Crosiers)

Date no longer in ministry: 2000

Current location: Yonkers, N.Y.

Current status: Left the Crosier order in 2001

We have not been able to determine why Roger Vaughn was included in the list provided to the John Jay Commission. There is no record of Vaughn being assigned to ministry or residence in this Archdiocese. He was a priest of the Canons Regular of the Order of the Holy Cross (Crosiers) until he left the order in 2001. We do not have knowledge of any claims that Vaughn sexually abused a minor in this archdiocese.