

Archdiocese of St. Paul-Minneapolis releases additional names of priests

The Crosiers remain steadfast in their commitment to ensure accountability and the safety of the people the Order serves. On Feb. 17, 2014, the Archdiocese of St. Paul-Minneapolis, Minn., released an additional list of priests' names credibly accused of abusing minors. Among those named is former Crosier, Jerry Funcheon.

When the archdiocese originally released its list on Dec. 5, 2013, Jerry Funcheon's name was not included. Soon after the list was released, the Crosier Province notified officials of the oversight so that it would be corrected going forward.

Crosier Prior Provincial Thomas Enneking, osc, stated, "With the Archdiocese of St. Paul-Minneapolis, we are continuing our efforts to be transparent to help the victims and their families continue to heal and move forward."

Jerry Funcheon had assignments to serve in the archdiocese at St. Odilia Parish in Shoreview, Minn., (1971-1974), and St. Stephen's Parish in Anoka, Minn., (1974-1975 and 1985). He permanently left the Order in 1987 to become a member of the Diocese of Lafayette, Indiana. He was removed from ecclesiastical ministry in 1993.

There have been claims and lawsuits alleging sexual misconduct against Jerry Funcheon while he was a Crosier. The Crosiers take each of these claims seriously, along with any claim of abuse by any Crosier, staff person or volunteer associated with us.

"The Crosiers do not tolerate any forms of sexual misconduct, and we are profoundly sorry for actions committed by these members of our Order. We have heard the pain and suffering the victims have endured and our foremost concern is to help foster their healing. The Crosier Order has stringent policies and actions of accountability in place to prevent future abuse," Fr. Tom Enneking said.

Anyone who wishes to report past abuse is encouraged to contact our Victim Assistance Line at 320-248-1563 or Prior Provincial Thomas Enneking, osc, at 602-443-7100. Other contact information may be found [here](#).

You may find further information about the Crosier Misconduct Policy and the ways in which the Crosiers are dealing with misconduct by its members, including the results of the separate investigation conducted by the Minnesota-based law firm Faegre-Benson (now known as Faegre-Baker-Daniels) in 2002, in the [Safe Environment](#) section of this website.