

On May 3, 2015, at 1:03 PM, Abbot John Klassen's private account wrote:

Dick,

We are dealing with a list of monks who are likely to have offended against minors because that has been the focus, given that the entire state of Minnesota is dealing with the Child Victims Act. Our recently published list also parallels the settlement the survivors' lawyers have worked out with the Archdiocese of Saint Paul & Minneapolis. As you know, we have been transparent in disclosing the names of monks who breached their vows and had inappropriate relations with adults. So, you are wrong when you say that the present release of names is sort of "cover-up." I hope that your public statements about Saint John's will be factual and, as such, will note that all of the credible allegations of abuse against minors involve incidents that occurred more than two decades ago. It is because of the Abbey's intentional and effective actions that we have achieved this success.

+John