

Jan. 1, 1997.

## Gifts / Thanks

My health:

Clearing - leaves in wind

Bird chirping

A friend's voice

Eyesight - the beauty of God's creation

To see people who are important to me.

Basic needs are taken care of - many people do not.

Time / Leisure to rest and to reflect.

My freedom

Peace of mind - not overwhelmed with grief, loss, mental anguish.

For being accepted by my monastic community - for being loved / liked by alot of monks, family, friends  
A feeling / assurance of God's love and protection

The blessing, joy, and the reality of this moment.

The time to pray and to be with God.

To be presently free from legal and the confronting consequences of my past.

Words / Concepts in my life which have power.  
Thanksgiving - continued.

For Jesus Christ who came into my life April '93.

Thanks to God for allowing me to give permission to those I have harmed to do what they have to do to be healed.

My mind, intellect - ability to reason - education.

Gifts of humor, being friendly, social / tenderness, an

increased sense of compassion and empathy.

God's gratitude for all the people in my life, work, priesthood I have helped.

Thankful for music in my life & the arts, beauty. Nature for me is a blessing - land, trees, lakes, etc -

Recent gift of being able to tell a few that I love them - need them - and the openness to receive love from them.

My looks, agility, walking and to be independent.

Gifts of leadership, ability - talents for past positions.

The healing power of touch in our lives. Message.

Jan 1, 1997 -

Thoughts, words, issues, words of power - Always to be remembered.

Surrender - one day at a time

God's power and strength is within me

I have the need to control - let go for → let God

My charm and seduction can be good or abused

Seduction - again for good or for bad

Manipulations - respecting people - their rights, dignity -

The keeping of secrets - not in my recovery interests

lying - so much a part of my past - so many reasons

I thought <sup>it was</sup> important to lie.

possessions - what are the values in my life

Alcohol / drugs - } my addictions - a history behind

Gambling } Deas -

Stealing } (Separate notes over!)

Sex

How fear has been so powerful in my past and

how it controls me today.

The importance of what other people think of me - how

I give them power - Ye (Co-dependency issues)

It's only OK if you think I'm OK.

Stuttering - the impact on my life - fear hiding

ridicule - different - what I've overcome.

Homosexuality - hiding, pretending - in fear (and later)

accepting, embracing! Alives, that's who I am.

Become a person of integrity - my goal! ~~That's who I am.~~

Social skills for the good of others - not just to impress.

Respect for people - not to see them as sex objects, people <sup>to use.</sup>

Concern for the people I have hurt, used, abused

Learning how to fill my hole - emptiness

How do I ~~come~~ <sup>live with</sup> loneliness - key to avoiding relapse.

Accepting and trying to understand my family, how

alcohol / Drug -

Not wanting ever to return to this high -

Helping others to be "sober" - 12 step -

Keep with the program - AA - etc - always

I'm thankful that I will always be sober when people suddenly need me to help or be with them (not being in to stupor when called)

I'm grateful that this addiction has been easier to control than it has been for others.

Gambling - the excitement of the high - the thrill of winning - something for nothing -

The above are lures to my progress to

gambling - to fill with the "hole" of loneliness, intimacy, inadequateness.

I will stay away from Casinos, and the horse race - those places of action and excitement which I loved.

Stealing - I've always had a tendency to steal -

take something off the top - try to get something for nothing, trying to set-up a several rationalize to justify my taking, hotels, taking back for exchanges old items to

Dept Stores etc. Being "caggy" when it comes to money. Both Gambling and

Stealing were used and related to

the funding of my Sexual Addiction (esp in Japan)

Sexual

To be sexually celibate to my religious commitment To be respectful of other people's dignity and boundaries - Not to use or exploit others - male or female.

Not to use my skills / gift of Massage to sexually use people - but to restore and to heal

Continued — Sexual Addiction Reflections —

Not to treat people as sexual objects  
To be aware when I'm cruising and  
cratch watching.

To still appreciate beauty and people who  
are good looking and sexually attractive — these  
are also God's Gifts.

Not to negate that I am still a human  
being with needs of love and intimacy.

Not to be afraid of intimacy (as in the past.)

Do not substitute intimacy and love for  
Sex — hard or soft core.

Watch when I am being sexually seductive.  
Double agendas — not up-front with whom  
I'm at.

To treat with honesty my homosexuality —

To keep and develop my friendship with women.

To understand and accept the attraction  
to the 'big cock' and the role this has played  
in my pursuit, my feeling of shame/inferiority

To feel more comfortable and not to be afraid  
when people say that I'm important to them,  
that they like or love me or need me.

To try to develop honest healthy ways  
of giving and taking love, intimacy.

Not to do and "sexual ~~ways~~ embraces" ~~etc~~  
which are respectful to integrity and  
my religious calling.

To stay out of cruising parks, places, Baths  
which have been a part of my "active life"  
in Sex keepaway from Sex telephone 900 lines,  
Adult book stores/videos, reading/looking at  
Porno — (books/mags.)

28 February 1997

Dear Finian:

After giving a lot of thought to your request to go to the Stutterer's Convention in San Francisco, I've decided to again encourage you to go even though you have rescinded your request after my earlier permission. In ruminating over this the past couple of days, I've concluded that the primary issue for me had been that of simplicity. It was not the only reason since I sensed there was something more to this than simplicity. I just had a difficult time figuring out the other reasons. I am not convinced that an international convention for stutterers is essential to you either personally or professionally. As I pointed out to you, there are ways of getting care and support in regard to your stuttering locally. However, after grinding away at this for the past couple of days, I've come to see that there is more to your request than simply going to the convention. Your anger and frustration over my hesitancy with this request I think points to something more serious. It is that which I had difficulty placing my finger on until now.

And so, at least in my judgement, the issue is not just simplicity. Your becoming so angry, so indignant over this, as well as your repeated attempts to go to this convention over the last few years, tells me how important your going there is to you. It almost gives the appearance of an obsession. Your persistence with this request surpasses any other that has been brought to me in my tenure as prior. Others would have dropped it and moved on. Issues of monastic obedience, humility and simplicity aside for now, after our conversations this week it is apparent to me that your request has more to do with your striking out on your own, seeking freedom from the strictures that have been imposed on you these past years, than what it has to do with simplicity. You are getting bored with recovery, impatient with the process, and angry at superiors who expect you to toll the line; superiors who, as you indicated, you feel don't trust you.

At least this is what I think is going on. What is odd is that had you asked to go to San Francisco on vacation to see friends and, while you were at it, to take part in the stutterer's convention, I would not have had a problem with your going. But seeing your friends in San Francisco was always incidental to your request. However, going on a vacation with that purpose in mind would have been a legitimate and fair request. It is not something that would be allowed every year, but the occasional visit to see good friends is appropriate. And if you want to spend your vacation, in part, taking in a convention of this sort, it is your business. You will recall that I indicated to you in the past it was not the weekend after the convention when you would see friends that I had problems with, any more than I did when you went to Saint Luke's and took the excursion to New York to see your friends there. That is not the problem. I was happy to see you happy. I shouldn't have to point out to you that allowing permission to go to New York required an element of trust, as you put it. But you don't appear to recognize that now. I've been generous with permissions to you in the past in this regard, both in the case of New York and in your excursions to the Cities. If you set

Robert Emory,  
This is a letter I gave Finian following  
a "permission" spat last month. After  
yesterday's staff discussion which touched  
upon Finian's credit and request, I  
thought you would be interested.

aside your anger, you would see this is true. So the accusation of mistrust is misplaced -- at least in this regard.

Finian, I want to point out to you that in the three years that you have made the requests to go to the convention, I have never said you could not go. For reasons evidently based in pride you would always come back to me and rescind the request. Also, I've never asked you or expected you to "kiss ass" as you indicated the other day. I'm surprised you thought that is what was going on. I attribute the statement to your anger. Apparently you wanted permission from your superior without him reflecting at all on the request. If I'm not to reflect on it then why should we even bother with permissions or obedience in monastic life?! Finian, one of the primary reasons for joining a monastery is to allow confreres to help each other in their pursuit of the monastic goal -- the kingdom of God. I assume that is partly what you are about here. Obedience is one of the monk's disciplines. It is a discipline that is intended to aid in that goal. Recognizing that we can all find ourselves straying from the path that leads to that goal, we have a *Rule* which lends some discipline to our lives, and we have an abbot, who appoints officials, to help guide the monks to their goal. Does that mean we don't trust each other? I wouldn't want to put it that way. It sounds sinister. I simply believe we do better at achieving our goal with the help of others. Why else join a monastery? If you want to be your own man, why are you here?

As I was saying, I am entitled to reflect upon requests that are made to me. You will recall that three years ago when you first brought your request to me, since I was having a difficult time evaluating the request, I asked you to provide me with input from your abbey support group. When I made that suggestion to you then, you were insulted because you said the request to go to a stutterer's convention had nothing to do with your addiction recovery. It was totally unrelated. The other day when I suggested that perhaps the stuttering was not tied to your recovery, as you had once seemed to indicate, you were extremely offended and all but accused me of being an idiot for thinking the two were unrelated. I'm not a psychologist, Finian, and I'm not trying to be one. I'm simply trying to do a difficult job with some semblance of dignity. My lack of clarity in regard to the stuttering issue and your recovery has something to do with the incongruent responses I've received from you. This has not helped in my trying to figure out just what this request is really all about.

Furthermore, last summer, Saint Luke's Institute reported in its evaluation of you that you said that you had been denied earlier requests to go to the convention. If you told them that, it was not true. As I pointed out above, in the past, what happened is that you failed to follow through on my instructions to you of checking the request out with your support group. As I stated above, in each case you rescinded the request instead of following through with my instruction. I will admit to my hesitancy in regard to the request, but I never denied you permission to go. I am not upset by this misrepresentation. I just want to set the record straight.

Finian, I can understand your wanting your recovery behind you. However, I think you are angry and frustrated with a situation for which you need to take responsibility. Your history of addictive behaviors is exacting a price from you. The other day you challenged me to come up with an answer as to how much time I (read "superiors" and/or "community") would require to begin to again fully trust you. Quite frankly, I believe we have begun to place trust in you already. This should be apparent to you. Your position as personnel liaison is one significant example of that since it is a position of some confidence. Also, the frequent permissions that you have been granted in the past should also be proof of trust. However, in regard to full trust, I suspect we will require at

least as much time as you will require to trust fully in yourself. You admitted to me on Wednesday that you did not entirely trust yourself in regard to sexual addiction. And you admitted rightfully that addiction is something that an addict will always have to be on guard against, sexual or otherwise. As a superior, I am very much aware of that, too. You have indicated several times that you have to live in a world where you are always waiting for the other "shoe to drop," referring to the possibility of someone(s) coming forward to make an allegation(s) against you. I suspect that as long as that shoe is waiting to drop for you, it is also waiting to drop for the community as well. This could possibly mean that the issue will never be behind you or us. Perhaps your greatest effort, beyond dealing with the addictions themselves, will now have to be to learn to live with this situation. I sincerely feel bad about that but it is probably the reality of your circumstance.

Somehow, related to all of this is the whole business of the charge card. I had no problem with your applying for a charge card. But when you asked me about it I had to let you know that you were to do it according to our policy and that you, like everyone else, would require the abbot's permission. You initially didn't like hearing that from me and, furthermore, you were upset and indignant when the abbot told you he would take the issue of your having a card up with his staff. Given that everyone is supposed to get the abbot's approval for a corporate charge card, it would seem to indicate that he wishes to handle this on a person by person basis, recognizing that everyone is different and has his own histories that need to be taken into consideration. That goes for you as well as for me and everyone else. It is fair and it is responsible for him to do so. However, having to subject ourselves to such procedures as this, requires of all of us obedience and humility - not only of addicts, but of all of us. Furthermore, such occurrences are not peculiar to monasteries. The world beyond the pine curtain operates in much the same way. Ask most any employee or spouse and they will be able to respond that they too are expected to be accountable to someone. Finian, again, I wonder if you aren't confusing the issue of trust with that of obedience and the nature of monastic life. I wonder if you are not also seeing our typical monastic life here in the monastery through the cloudy lens of one struggling to be finished with recovery and attaining independence.

Finian, it seems you have moved to another level of issues in your recovery. At least this is my nonprofessional appraisal. You are frustrated, resentful and angry. You gave the appearance this week to be biting at the bit to be finished with your recovery. You appeared tired of it. I can understand that and I sympathize with you in that regard. I know it must be difficult and having superiors with only a limited understanding of the issues only complicates things. I realize that all too well. But this is all something you need to learn to deal with as a part of the reality that you are living in.

In closing, I again want you to note that you do have permission to go to the convention this year. I gave you permission the other day and I repeat it here. One reason for granting the permission is that it has become all too clear to me that you have a lot of "unpacking" to be doing in regard to your request. I am hopeful that your simply going to the convention might help you deal with some of this unpacking.

Peace,

Geoffrey, OSB  
Prior

~~April 11, 97~~ April 11, 97

Father about;  
you asked me to write up an account  
of our conversation of Weds. Apr. 9. Alan Ward  
expressed interest in having me serve for a  
period of time under his patronage in the  
Bahamas. I told him that I could be  
interested in a short stay - I was thinking  
of up to 24 months - to see how it  
would work out. We reviewed my skills  
in general community contributions, possible  
involvement with the AIDS Project (that  
one of the Sisters already works <sup>part</sup> part time)  
and perhaps other needs yet to be identified  
We reviewed my special situation  
including personal recovery needs and also  
legal and institutional restrictions. We  
did not see this as an obstacle that with  
the proper provisions, couldn't be worked  
out to present for your approval.

I love St Johns / Collegeville and I'm not anxious to leave but I'm healthy and excited about new adventures and would be willing to give myself fully to this new Chapter at St. Augustine. I do not view this as a long term assignment and would expect the time there to be even shorter than 6 months if it did not mutually work out.

Down the line also was my wish to return to Tokyo for a short time - hopefully to help them make the move to Fuji Ni. I would love to return for a short time before the "aging body goes".

I am due to return to St. Lukes June 97 and again for the completion of their after care program in June 98.

I might add that should the Tokyo period suggest a possibility that there are the appropriate 12 step groups in Tokyo for English speaking recovery people.

In the Bahamas there are 12 steps in AA, ACOA, EA but no SAA. I feel there would be good support for my recovery in the Bahamas.

I would be thinking of Sept/Oct departure to St. Augustine. The issue of my job of Abbey Personal Liaison

would have to either handed over  
completely, or given the 6 month  
time slot time could be chosen which  
would be the least disruptive to my  
relaxing this job.

Perhaps after four years as Liaison  
it is time for a younger member of this  
community - or at least someone else to  
take over. I feel that I've solidified the  
position and have established important  
functions between you ~~and~~ the various  
divisions and other monastic divisions.  
In fact, I'm rather pleased with my  
efforts and ~~am~~ grateful for your  
support.

These are roughly the thoughts  
I remember. All of the above of course  
was discussed before the topic of my  
leaving for Hawaii to assist Brother  
Henry - but it was noted that this experience  
would give me some idea of what was  
like and if I still wanted to "serve"  
under Dan Ward -

Tom



## Saint Luke Institute

July 2, 1997

**CONFIDENTIAL**

Very Reverend Timothy T. Kelly, O.S.B.  
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RE: Reverend Finian McDonald  
SLI 12647

Dear Abbot Kelly:

Father McDonald attended a workshop with us the week of June 9-13, 1997 as a part of his continuing care program. The following is an evaluation based on a June 10, 1997 structured interview, collateral letters received, and his participation in group sessions.

**1. Recovery Program:** This was Father McDonald's seventh continuing care workshop. He reports regular attendance at two weekly SAA meetings and a weekly monastic AA fellowship. He is in frequent contact with his SAA sponsor by telephone, in addition to seeing him at meetings and joining him on occasion for lunch. He checks in formally with his spiritual director every other week, but is in more frequent contact informally. His therapist has reduced their sessions to once a month. His support group meets every other month.

Father McDonald opened the workshop group sharing by telling the group of his relapse into old behaviors during his stay in the Bahamas. He was very remorseful, but the group and staff helped him to move away from his shame to focus on reviewing the budding signs he had failed to note in order to plan more carefully the external supports he needs to build around his addictions, particularly when going into unfamiliar territory. Several of his collateral letters mentioned his occasional impatience with his recovery schedule and wish to be free of the restrictions and accountability. Father McDonald was able to acknowledge his continuing desire for perfection, and the ability to achieve perfection on his own, which are two impossible dreams. To the extent that he is able to come to accept his failings as realities he can live with and plan around rather than foreign intruders which he can eradicate, he will be able to reinstate and retain his recovery.

Beyond these issues, Father McDonald also brought to us the credit card issue. We saw his point about feeling unsafe not having a way of taking care of emergencies such as getting stranded in snow storms. When we suggested that acceptable accountability might be achieved by having the bill sent directly to the monastery, he noted that the bill is always reviewed by the prior. A larger issue was his importuning the prior for permission to attend a stutterer's convention. He was able to separate the issue of whether this was a beneficial activity for him from the issue of whether he had fully considered the prior's feelings and position. He agreed that further discussion is in order with the prior and the support group as well.

**2. Current Living Experience/Vocational Functioning:** Father McDonald continues to discharge his ministry as abbey personnel liaison with dedication. In addition, he is devoted to AIDS and prison ministry, as well as reaching out to those in SAA recovery and confreres returning from treatment here. Collateral letters mentioned his difficulty in setting time boundaries on telephone calls from those seeking his advice. This problem was discussed in group session, and Father McDonald received feedback from the group with characteristic respect and appreciation.

All collateral letters characterized Father McDonald as an important member of the community. Several noted that he is sought out for his wry stories or comments that entertain and please. It is important for Father McDonald to know that he is valued for the person he is, rather than the person he wishes he were. His support network is manifestly eager to convey this message to him.

**3. Medical:** During the course of the workshop we monitor physical health via various laboratory indices. As in past workshops, Father McDonald brought with him a current laboratory report ordered by his personal physician. The report this time indicated that he has gotten a bit slack with his attention to dietary fat: his cholesterol was 239 with LDL levels at 148. He reports continued regular daily walking and bicycling. He is maintaining a good weight.

**4. Recommendations and Treatment Plan:** The Bahama experience with its reminder to Father McDonald that he is an addict, came at a good time for him to allow him to fully commit himself to a lifetime of recovery while still working within the continuing care program. If he can learn to understand himself as the talented, intelligent, valued member of the community and the larger human community that others see him, he will be able to accept living within his human limitations with the serenity that characterizes true sobriety. We encourage him to rely on his caring support group and other caring members of his support network to help him achieve that peace. His program schedule as outlined is adequate, and we suggest no modifications at this point, unless he would feel the need of additional short-term support from his therapist.

A copy of this letter is being sent Father McDonald for his record, and to share with his support network for their observations on the workshop week. We ask that he convey our thanks to all who wrote the insightful letters that help us to assess his recovery.

We recommend that Father McDonald return for a continuing care workshop December 1-5, 1997 for an evaluation of his progress and to share his recovery experience with his group. We expect that all will go well, and that he can plan to complete the program on schedule next June. In the meantime, we encourage him to continue his good habit of calling us when he has comments or concerns.

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We thank you for the support you offer to Father McDonald. We believe that a life of sobriety helps him to continue in his life-giving ministry with God's people. We ask for your prayers in behalf of the many clergy and religious persons whom we serve and for continued blessings on the work of the Institute.

Sincerely,

*Catherine Turner, LCSW-C*

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Continuing Care Therapist

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## Saint Luke Institute

January 9, 1998

**CONFIDENTIAL**

Very Reverend Timothy T. Kelly, O.S.B.  
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RE: Reverend Finian McDonald  
SLI 12647

Dear Abbot Kelly:

Father McDonald attended a workshop with us the week of December 1-5, 1997 as a part of his continuing care program. The following is an evaluation based on a December 5, 1997 structured interview, collateral letters received, and his participation in group sessions.

**Recovery Program:** This was Father McDonald's eighth and final continuing care workshop. He has fulfilled the letter and spirit of his continuing care contract and has committed himself to a lifetime of recovery, acknowledging that while his addictions will be ever with him, he can choose not to let them rule his life. He plans to continue his active participation in his two weekly SAA meetings and monastic AA fellowship, his weekly update with his sponsor, his monthly spiritual direction and bimonthly support group meetings. Letters from his support group assured us of their willingness to continue their current level of involvement in his relapse prevention program. Some noted his occasional chafing at the continued high level of accountability his addictions require. The consensus, however, seems to be that he has come to recognize that his failure to achieve perfection is not related to the high regard and personal liking his friends, particularly those in his support group, have for him.

His therapist, whom he sees biweekly, reports that they continue to work on boundary issues as they relate to relapse prevention, reviewing past relapse scenarios for patterns that he needs to be alert to in order not to be "surprised" by apparently new or unfamiliar slippery situations. He notes that Father McDonald approaches therapy with intelligence and honesty, and is growing in consciousness of his own gifts and strengths.

As always, Father McDonald's honesty and willingness to share set the tone for the workshop week. He makes good use of every opportunity for help here in such a way that others are encouraged to do the same. He was a blessing to us all.

**2. Current Living Experience/Vocational Functioning:** Prior Fecht reports to us that Father McDonald consistently handles personnel matters with intelligence and sensitivity, appropriately seeking his prior's input when dealing with particularly problematic situations. He noted that Father McDonald is less perfectionistic in being able to let go of problems that manifestly cannot be resolved to everyone's satisfaction. He praised Father McDonald's contributions to the support groups of confreres, observing that he is direct and confronting, but always with respect and a compassionate sense of humor. He further reports that Father's prayer life and community life are vital and genuine, and that he is truly loved by his confreres. Other collateral letters reflected similar observations.

In addition to his primary assignment as Personnel Liaison, Father McDonald reports continuing community work as barber and sacristan, and volunteering in AIDS and prison ministry.

Father McDonald noted, when asked about friends and leisure activities, that he is now satisfied to have fewer friends, that being liked and a friend to everyone is less important. This should result in a deepening experience of trust and safety in quality friendships that will mitigate the pull toward addictive behaviors.

**3. Medical:** During the course of the workshop we monitor physical health via various laboratory indices. As in past workshops, Father McDonald brought with him a current laboratory report ordered by his personal physician. Ordinarily, we paraphrase rather than quote from the nutritionist's report, but this time let us share her informal note: "Finian McDonald - he is a joy. Weight is fine at 170#, lipids improved and almost back to normal in all areas." For maintaining fitness, Father reports daily hiking, biking or walking, and cross country skiing when conditions permit.

**4. Recommendations and Treatment Plan:** We congratulate Father McDonald on the successful completion of his continuing care program. He has had many challenges on his recovery journey, and has met them all directly, refusing to "throw in the towel." We commend him for his prudent plan to continue his current level of recovery activities for the foreseeable future, including periodic or as-needed telephone consultation with his continuing care therapist. At any time he might like to use a future continuing care week as a retreat and recovery renewal, we would be happy to put him on the schedule.

A copy of this letter is being sent Father McDonald for his record, and to share with his support network for their observations on the workshop week. We ask that he convey our thanks to all who wrote the insightful letters that help us to assess his recovery. If you have any questions regarding the report, please don't hesitate to call us.

Very Reverend Timothy T. Kelly, O.S.B.  
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We thank you for all your help in supporting Father McDonald's recovery, Abbot Kelly. Our prayers are with you for the good work you do for Christ's Church, and we ask in turn for your prayers for continued blessings on the work of the Institute.

Sincerely,



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cc: Reverend Finian McDonald

**Kelly, Timothy**

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**From:** McDonald, Finian  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 24, 1998 11:33 AM  
**To:** Kelly, Timothy

Abbot Timothy: Wanted to thank you for your conversation yesterday.. I had the good feeling of sharing with you the thoughts that were on my mind concerning possibilities in both the Bahamas and Japan. I realize that this is early and there are many variables in this tentative plan. Depending on these variables, the plan could include a three venue assignment. A time in the Bahamas, return to St. Johns for a time and the last segment could be in Japan for an unidentified length of time--depending on what happens there. I also appreciated the recovery focus of our conversation and what implications this would seem to require. I just finished a long talk with Catherine at St Lukes. I reviewed with her as much of our conversation as I remembered and we talked about support systems in each of these two locations. She would welcome the opportunity to discuss this possible plan with you when you are here on your next visit. She suggested that you call in advance to set up some time as she is aware of your crowded schedule when you are at St. Lukes. She and I both thought that my up-coming visit to the Bahamas (this Friday the 27th March) would be valuable in terms of my assessing the impact of my previous slips on that island. I plan to call her when I return. This, I think, will be after your visit (and hopefully your discussion with Catherine. I called St. Augustines this morning and also chatted with the Prior about our discussion and my leaving this Friday. Thanks for this permission, and for your considering my suggestions. Finian

McDonald, Finian

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From:  
Sent: Friday, April 10, 1998 10:51 PM  
To: McDonald, Finian

Good Friday Afternoon

Dear Finian,

Kieran just mentioned to me that you called. Did you get any kind of an answer out of him? With all the fast moving developments regarding diocesan take over the parish (in exchange for money to build and operate Fujimi), he seems to have been in a bit more confused state than usual. If he remembered who you were, take that as a good sign!

You have mentioned the possibility of your coming to Japan a couple of times, and I don't think I have ever picked up on it. But since this time you asked me directly for a response, I will say that I have mixed feelings. First of all, the "good" feelings.... It would be great to have you here, because I like you and a wonderful addition to community life. I think I have told you that I find the interaction with most of the other members of the community here to be so minimal and so shallow as to be almost counterproductive. I realize that it takes two to tango, and I have to assume my share of the responsibility for the lack of communication. But (to engage in a bit of self justification) I have almost despaired of finding a topic of conversation that elicits any response beyond a monosyllable. So it would be wonderful to have you here just to have someone to talk to.

On the negative side, though, is my feeling that the move to Fujimi might be just the change (or incentive, or whatever) we need to get us to move in two directions that I think are crucial to our future: communication among ourselves and a serious effort to adapt to Japanese language and culture.

I think we have to make a tremendous effort in the area of "becoming Japanese" -- though I have very serious doubts about just how much progress we will be able to make. Neal is not going to change (and whether he should even make the move to Fujimi is a big question in my mind); I have heard Kieran's Japanese for three years now, and if there is some improvement, it is almost unnoticeable. Thomas, I am afraid, is also hopeless. He probably understands how the language works better than anyone else, but he can't use it (not surprising, I guess, given how difficult it is for him, at times, to get something out in English....bad, bad, bad). But I still think we have to make a try, painful for all of us (for the Japanese, most of all, probably) as that try is going to be. A shiny, new monastery may attract some people, but unless there is something going on inside that monastery which indicates to the candidates that these Americans are at least trying to adapt to Japan, those candidates are not going to stay.

And so that brings me to the problem I see in your coming to be with us for a time. Your presence, I am afraid, would give us just the excuse we need to put off again any serious efforts we might have thought about to make Japanese the language of the house. At least it will make the effort much more difficult. Given who you are -- your gifts for engaging in conversation and for getting others to talk -- I am sure you would help us a lot to communicate better with one another, but more \*English\* communication will probably make it even harder for Japanese people to feel at home among us.

Having said all this, I want you to know that if Kieran and the Abbot think that it would be good to have you here, I will welcome you with delight.

And now it's off to Fujimi for me (I am finishing this up on Saturday morning). I get back late Sunday night (have Mass in Ueda too,

later in the day), and then on Monday afternoon I will be at the seminary for a day. We're looking forward to having Benedict here with us. Now that we are entering into some serious negotiation with the diocese, it will be good to have his expertise. And the cherry tree in the garden should be in full bloom on the day he arrives. The buds are just starting to open now, and with today's warm weather and sunshine it won't take long for them to burst open.

Happy Easter. And if you think I am being too "kibishii," tell me.

**Kelly, Timothy**

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**From:** McDonald, Finian  
**Sent:** Thursday, July 09, 1998 11:43 AM  
**To:** Nolan, Kieran  
**Cc:** Kelly, Timothy; Ward, Dan  
**Subject:** Time Table for future assignment

Dear Kieran: I tried to call you last night but couldn't get through... too much international traffic .At any rate, I wanted to chat with you about what you were thinking was the best time for me to come. Now that all that chapter approval is behind us and the process has started on the building, perhaps at this time we can begin to set, at least, rough timetables. I realize that the deadlines of all construction plans are not cast in stone but we can at least talk about chunks of time. In past conversations, we talked about my being of help by being at Tokyo--helping with packing, getting ready for the move, and the advantages that an extra person would be at this busy and stressful time. I would envision my going along with you all to Fujimi, helping in the unloading, setting up, getting comfortably settled and then leaving you all to God. I realize, that it is important that you begin from the start to be "a Japanese community", so I would not want to interfere with this important first phase of the new foundation. My departure date is not important at this time. There are just too many variables. Be assured that I would be sensitive to the concerns of your community.

Having said all of this, what do you think of this as a suggestion from this end: Arrive in Tokyo some time in mid-January or first part of February, and stay for four or possibly five months (depending on the building dead-lines, moving, etc.) Or arrive first week in January and stay until mid-May or what ever time it seems appropriate to depart. This is what I have come up with.. I would want to hear what you wish and how you would suggest changes to the above. If this would roughly fit your thinking, I would then plan the first part of my year by going to the Bahamas first. I could leave as early as mid-August and remain until after Christmas---a little over four months. Return to St. John's for a few weeks and they leave for Tokyo.

This is the first time that I've actually concretized this on paper so I'm sending a copy of this to the Abbot and Dan Ward. I did talk to Dan last week when he was here, and run this above schedule past him and he was pleased with the Bahamian segment but realizes that the Tokyo wishes and needs are the first priority. When you give me your thoughts and have time to run this past your community, please let me know . I can then submit this schedule to the Abbot for his possible changes and approval. Thanks.

On a more personal note, it is good to have Tom with us. He was celebrant at the Liturgy yesterday and gave a very fine homily. He seems to be busy but not too busy to make bread for the 4th floor. How is Al doing? He was very excited about returning (as I am). Give all the brothers my love and, God willing, I so look forward in being with you again. Tell John-Bede not to do all the work so I can feel useful when I do arrive. All best Kieran love and joy in the approaching feast of St. Benedict. Until later, finian

**Kelly, Timothy**

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**To:** McDonald, Finian  
**Subject:** RE: Your blessing, approval, and money

Dear Father Chrysostom Schreiner:

The schedule looks good. However, I think you should be taking a slow boat -- especially for the return trip!  
Abbot Bernard

-----Original Message-----

**From:** McDonald, Finian  
**Sent:** Thursday, July 30, 1998 10:38 AM  
**To:** Kelly, Timothy  
**Subject:** Your blessing, approval, and money

Dear Abbot Baldwin: I would like to submit my rough time table for my next year in the missions. Some dates are set and others not--the date for the Japan return is still uncertain and I suspect will be that way until plans unravel while I am still in Japan.

I leave for the Bahamas on August 17th and I am scheduled to return on Jan.11th. I'm flying on Senior Pass tickets so more preferred dates are not available to me. But these dates should work out fine. I'll be there for Christmas and add what ever I can to this celebration. I plan to return to St. John's on the 11th of January and then leave for Tokyo on the 26th of January. Kieran says that this arrival time would seem to fit their planning, packing, and last phase preparation to leave for Fujimi. Brother Nick also thinks this would be a good time to arrive. I time of departure is not certain. It is my plan to go to Fujimi and help them get unpacked and settled in and then leave. If this is longer than the three month limit, I would leave the country before the three month limit and then return to Japan for the time it is feasible for me to return. I am trying to build into my Japan ticket a way for me to leave the country at a minimum cost.

So that's the plan for now. I realize that there is no definite schedule for the Japan portion of this assignment and I am comfortable with this. I look forward to this year very much. I have so much to be thankful for .... each day is a new gift and opportunity. Thanks for your considering this assignment. More later, finian (Now get back to work!)

## Kelly, Timothy

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To: McDonald, Finian  
Subject: RE: Recovery "round-up", August 1998

I appreciate your report and want to assure you I have every confidence in you to take the steps needed to promote your continued recovery. You have been very much of a blessing to me these five years as well and it is wonderful to see the grace of God given and accepted over and over again. I will miss you while you are gone but I am certain you will be a great help and support in the Bahamas and in Japan. Do keep in touch and I hope to see you during your "inbetween" time in January. Peace and many blessings.

Abbot Timothy

-----Original Message-----  
From: McDonald, Finian  
Sent: Thursday, August 13, 1998 10:47 AM  
To: Kelly, Timothy  
Subject: Recovery "round-up", August 1998

Dear Abbot Timothy: Before I get too swept up in last minute details of my leaving, I want to give you a short report about my recovery and how it relates to the next segment of my journey--the Bahamas. I've recently had my last appointment with Richard Fingarson, my psychologist from the Central Minnesota Mental Health Center. We talked about preventive relapse concerns (as we have continually done) and issues that may arise in this year away in the missions. Reviewed the need to keep up my daily program of meditation and prayer regarding the 12th step program, setting up a specific time each month with Antony Hellenberg to get impressions, suggestions, and encouragement (you recall that Tony was a member of my support team at St. John's for the time he was here), check in with the AA group in the Bahamas, reminded myself of my recent slips during my last visit there and the lessons which were learned, and we again reviewed other preventive strategies. It was a good talk and I really love and value this man and the long relationship we have had together. He supports my year in both the Bahamas and Japan. I will be in touch with him in January--when I return for a few weeks before leaving for Tokyo.

This past Sunday I met with my Support Group at St. John's. We talked about what's been happening to me during the eight weeks since we met last.....my lung illness and the effect this had on my life, where I was in recovery, my next year, and their suggestions for my stay in both the Bahamas and Japan. They have been such a great group of confreres. For the last six years we have met almost every month. I am grateful for their support, understanding, and the time they have freely given. (For your reminder they are: John Klassen, Ray Pedrizetti, Fran Hoefgen, Alberic Culhane, Alan Reed, Tony Hellenberg, and Bill Cleary) I am grateful for their concern and love. I will continue to use this support.

I have had several long conversations with Catherine Turner at St. Lukes. She loves me dearly and has been a very supportive person in these five years of aftercare. We talked about many of the same issues as above and included topics of my own self worth and the many gifts I have. These, I sometimes, let go un-noticed, but are also a very important part of my recovery. I will continue to keep in touch with her by E-Mail. She has, indeed, been a gift.

I am having my last lunch-session with my SAA sponsor tomorrow. He has been also very helpful to me over these five years--a graduate of St. Lukes, a priest, not a member of our community, he has been able to give me another side in my recovery. He is also a member of my SAA twelve step group. I have talked with my 12step groups for the last several months about my recovery concern and challenges while I will be away from their support. The Group has been both honest and supportive with my preparation. We are having a little farewell Breakfast party this Saturday.

I have talked with my confessor and spiritual director, gave a mini-report to the Prior, and have tried to keep you informed. I depart with a feeling of confidence, grateful to God and this community for so many kindnesses and understanding love. I feel like I have been close to the "shadow of death" and that God is giving me a new opportunity for life and service. I hope I am not that foolish to be too confident or dumb enough to forget that I am still a person in recovery.. I will be a risk anywhere, of course, but I go trusting in the power and grace of God. Thank you, Abbot Timothy, for so many things. You have been a loyal henpecte for me--like the rule says you have to be as Abbot. I am grateful to you for all your support and your love. Finian.

## Kelly, Timothy

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**From:** McDonald, Finian  
**Sent:** Friday, October 23, 1998 8:26 AM  
**To:** Kelly, Timothy  
**Subject:** RE: January Workshop

Dear Abbot Timothy: Thanks for your note. Just returned from an extended weekend with Fr. Mel on Long Island--six days, actually. It was a great experience in many ways. It was certainly a different Bahamas than Nassau. Much poverty, especially on the southern side. This is where I celebrated my three Sunday Masses. Bright and early Deacon Patrick and I left for the furthest Mission and from there we just continued up the road until we arrived at Clarence Town. I got tired of hearing myself preach the same sermon over and over but I had it almost memorized by Clarence Town. The time on the Island and with Mel was an unforgettable experience--the primitive Island life, the poverty, the goodness and appreciation of the people, and the simplicity of life. The work of Fra Jerome is quite impressive to me. I have been reading his life and some of the books about his architecture which Fr. Francisco and others have collected at St. Augustines. I'm very much an admirer of his architecture. Seeing that impressive church at Long Island, Clarence Town, the site those white towers command of the harbor, was inspirational to me and as it must be to those who see this church of St. Peter and Paul. To think Father Cornelius and his 'helpers' built this church with the design and cooperation of Fra Jerome, made me so proud of all these confreres who lived on these Islands for so long. Sorry, I didn't mean to get carried away, but it is impressive and somewhat humbling. I have planned my second and last trip to the out-islands for next month--second week in November--to Cat Island. I'm going to stay with Sr. Kelly, the "chief" of the Island. (How do I always get mixed up with all these Kelly chiefs?? ) I'm excited about seeing the Hermitage and the famous church of the Holy Redeemer. Happy I hooked you about not being familiar with small community living. I just wrote Jerome C. a letter. I too am pleased at what seems to be a very good and life-giving experience that St. Lukes was for him. Funny, what seems to be a kiss of death, turns out to be a gifted kiss. I will not be able to be home for the workshop where you plan to have this 'recovery testimony'. The Senior Fare from Cont. blacks out all fares until Jan 7th. This is the date that I plan to leave the Bahamas. Cont. Air returns by way of Newark. I had asked the Prior before leaving if I could spend a few days with the Paulists on 59th so I am scheduled to return home on the afternoon of the 11th of Jan. The rest of the 'graduates' will do a good job without me. You didn't mention Allen T. or Kevin L. You don't want too many on a panel like this, anyway. You might ask John H. also--just to get the 'other side'. (Sorry) I hope it goes well. Sounds like a good idea. Make it on the short side in the planning. If it goes over, the discussion will propel itself. Hope your trip to Rome goes well and that these China talks will pave the way for your arrival in April. Being that you didn't comment on me 'protecting you' for a city or two after you leave Japan, I am presuming that this is not workable. I will proceed with my Tokyo flight plans and build-in a leaving the country feature before the three month 'visa stay' runs out. I'm still excited about this part of my 'missionary' year. I understand that building is moving right along. Hope you are well, happy, and that Fall is still beautiful. I know you miss the heat, but try to offer it up... Love and peace to you, Timothy, and keep me in your prayers...you are in mine. Finian

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Kelly, Timothy  
**To:** McDonald, Finian  
**Sent:** 10/22/98 10:08 AM  
**Subject:** January Workshop

Dear Hutzpah,

Greetings from paradise. When I was at St Luke's for Jerome's closing interviews he surprised me by saying he would like to be able to speak to the community about his journey at St Luke's. I fully support his sentiment. As we talked with his primary therapist we evolved to a plan that perhaps during the January workshop there could be a panel of alums of St Luke's who could talk about their experiences there without going into any unnecessary details of what got them there. Jerome liked the idea, and later when I talked with Tom G. about it he agreed as well. I haven't talked with Brennan yet but will and thought I'd get your input on the idea as well. I believe you'll be home by that time and if you would like to be a participant in it let me know.

In your last missive (missile?) you commented about small community, but since I had never lived in one I wouldn't understand as you do. You seem to forget I was in Mexico, Bahamas, New York, Belmont -- all small communities. And I thought "old-timers" disease was bad on short term memories only!!!

The t-shirt is quite nice and I'm thinking of having it made into a mitre. I see you have forgotten even your own name.

Peace (and quiet) to you, Viejo.

Abbot Timothy

## Kelly, Timothy

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**To:** McDonald, Finian  
**Subject:** RE: Health concerns

I just got home this evening from Rome. So far I've been up 23 hours. Thanks for the info on the spots. That sunshine down there is not too good for such problems, and I hope you know that. You are very much in my prayers and I hope you'll let us know what's up next. Peace.

Abbot Timothy

-----Original Message-----

**From:** McDonald, Finian  
**Sent:** Saturday, November 07, 1998 7:58 PM  
**To:** Kelly, Timothy  
**Cc:** 'ahellenberg@csbsju.bs'  
**Subject:** Health concerns

Dear Abbot Timothy--

I'm sending you both this recent report on my trip to the dermatologist. Tony a few days ago noticed a spot on my leg and expressed concern. There was also a little scab-like growth on my left cheek also. Anyway, through a referral by one of the priory's doctors, I went to St. Luke's clinic to see Dr. Orlander. He gave two possibilities for the cheek spot, both not serious and at this point benign, but for the spot on my right leg he without hesitation, identified it as malignant carcinoma. I return to him on the 18th of November to both check the face tissue (after having been applying a perscription ointment since then), but to set up an appointment in the hospital to take the biopsy of both areas. Hopefully, this be be scheduled a few days after the 18th of November. I have called the St. John's health service telling them of this interview and the details of my chat with Dr. Orlander. Hopefully, this more ominous spot, if indeed it is a real malignancy, has been caught in time.

I really don't know how long I've had this spot--it's in such an awkward place, that it's difficult for me to see this front side of my leg. I'm feeling surprisingly calm about the situation. There's no pain or itch or anything to remind me of trouble. This is my secoud round with cancer possibilities--I pray God, it will be as positive as the lung situation. Also, this is my second round with "St. Luke Hospitals"..... how long, Lord. Anyway, I know you two are not home at this time that's why I haven't E-Mailed before. Rene called me this morning and suggested that I put it on E-Mail for the record.

Otherwise I'm healthy and still enjoying my life on the Island. I leave on Monday for Cat Island, the site of Fra Jerome, the Hermit of Cat Island. I'm excited about this visit--I've been reading his life, the Hermit of Cat Island, and other materials. It will be sort of a retreat for me. I'm staying with Sr. Kelly. Which brings my life into a third round of repeats. So to both you and the Prlor, my love and prayers. Put me on your list----that's a prayer list I'm referring to. God bless, and I'll keep you informed. Until later, Finian  
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**Kelly, Timothy**

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**To:** McDonald, Finlan  
**Subject:** RE: health and return visit to St. John's

Dear Fr. Finlan:

Thanks for the message. George Allen was asking about you last evening. I wasn't sure whether your message got to the prior and guest master so I have forwarded it to them just in case. I told George last night that if I didn't hear from you today I'd be contacting you tomorrow to see how the examination went. Look forward to seeing you on your return. Peace.

Abbot Timothy

-----Original Message-----

**From:** McDonald, Finlan  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 19, 1998 7:19 PM  
**To:** Kelly, Timothy  
**Subject:** health and return visit to St. John's

Dear Abbot Timothy; In my telephone conversation with Dr. Hafner this afternoon, and with Eileen Haeg the day before, it has been suggested that I return to St. John's for the medical care for the two skin spots that I had mentioned to you in an earlier E-Mail. It would be more convenient to have it done here, of course, but there are a number of reasons to have both the initial biopsy and any required follow-up treatment done at St. John's. I will leave here December 1st and have scheduled my return to Nassau on December 11th. I hope that this will be sufficient time to take care of this treatment. If this schedule has to be changed, we will take this as it comes. I am concerned, along with others, about having this done as soon as possible, otherwise I would have waited until the 11th of January when I am due to arrive back at Collegeville. Hopefully, all will go well and I'll be able to return to St. Augustine's for most of Advent and the Celebration of Christmas and the New Year—including my first Junkanoo. I look forward to these remaining days in the Bahamas. Sorry to have to use this one letter to tell everyone concerned, but it is easier. I have my first appointment with Dr. Hafner at 10 AM on Dec 2nd. Fran, if my room is not available for these days, you may put me elsewhere—with some limits. If questions, Fr. Abbot, you may E-Mail. Asking prayers from all of you, I am your confrere Finlan.. (who?)....

**Kelly, Timothy**

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To:  
Subject:

McDonald, Finian  
RE: finian who??

Thanks for the news. It was good to have you home and especially to find out that you were faking it all and have no health problems, just a gyrovaging spirit. / and spouse are off on a 2nd honeymoon to Ireland. When I first heard about it he didn't know about it yet. Apparently it was to be a surprise for him. Monastic life is so much simpler, no? Yes, there is enough to keep me busy here but I guess I take a certain pleasure in being occupied. On days like this, however, I tend to hole up and read, nap, listen to the Texaco opera on NPR, and get relaxed. Whatever comes after this job I'll try not to rest to distraction. Enjoy these next several weeks. I'll see you when I get back here from where you are now. Peace.

Abbot Timothy

-----Original Message-----

From: McDonald, Finian  
Sent: Saturday, December 12, 1998 7:04 PM  
To: Kelly, Timothy  
Subject: finian who??

Dear Father Abbot: Just a note to officially record my arrival in the Bahamas. Tony was at the airport trying to be pleasant when my baggage didn't arrive on the plane. We had to wait for the next plane from Miami. We stopped at a nice cafe on the way home and caught up on most of the news. He's feeling pretty up-beat after the very recent visit of Sr. Ann Marie B. and companion. It's great to be back and the time will go really fast from now until Jan 7th--the day you arrive. The timing couldn't be better. I just had such an important time home--my health, being the main one, of course. my trip to the cities to be with my and a few relatives, in new Lady Friend. I'm so happy for . Hopefully, this will make him less lonely and less crazy with his adjustment. Good things happened to me in recovery--an appointment with Rich Fingerson, lunch with my SAA sponsor, call to Cathering at St. Lukes, several recovery meetings, talks with several members of my support team and to my Abbot and Prior. What else could I have done--maybe a little prayer, you say?? Let me say again how grateful I am to you and so many people in the community who actively support me. I'm in such a good place now and I'm grateful to God for being so good to me. I am really happy and at peace. That's sounds presumptuous, but it is where I really feel that I am. Thanks be to God. Your next few weeks will be really busy....you look busy to me. Have you ever thought of slowing down? Take care, good Abbot, let's play for each other and my prayers and love are still with all of you. Until later, Finian

## Kelly, Timothy

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**From:** Kelly, Timothy  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 06, 1999 10:19 AM  
**To:** McDonald, Finian  
**Subject:** RE: Easter peace and love

Good to hear from you. What did you say your name was? Holy Week and Easter went well as busy as it was with the added liturgy for Father Jordan. This week so far has proven to be just as busy and shows little sign of letting up until maybe Friday or Saturday. From April 21 to 26 I expect to go to Eagle Lake and get some rest time though I'll probably have to make a trip to St Luke's either this month or next to see J.H. I hope there are no glitches in getting the things that were shipped and that things can get put together in good fashion at Fujimi. Bro. Benedict's stay is brief but I'm hopeful he'll get much done while there. Jim has done a magnificent job with the usual generous spirit he always shows. I admire his dedication very much. Last night it snowed and the ground is covered. Now the sky is showing blue and I suspect the ground will be clear by tomorrow if not later this afternoon. Greet the brethren for me. Peace to all.

Abbot Timothy

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**From:** McDonald, Finian  
**Sent:** Monday, April 05, 1999 9:27 PM  
**To:** Kelly, Timothy  
**Subject:** Easter peace and love

Dear Abbot Timothy: Just a short note to wish you Easter Alleluias. Benedict and Jim arrived last night...we welcomed them with a very festive supper. There were ten of us, with Kamamura san here from his post at Fujimi. It was fun and I had the feeling it was the last festive hurrah at Meguro. The time-table of the big move increases everyday....with the arrival of Jim and the container, of course, this is also a sign of the transfer. I think we are in pretty good shape. Not knowing the exact time of our departure is awkward, but we work around that. Heard nice things about Easter at St. John's.... they really liked your homily on Holy Thursday. (Well, all but one) (%) Roman is giving me alot of heat about 'being in Tokyo'---it was fun. This will be a busy week here with many meetings and such going on....I'm taking my rail pass during some of Jim's stay here....leaving this Friday to spend a few days at Kyoto. The cherry blossoms are in bloom everywhere so Tokyo is really beautiful. Hope you can get some rest after your busy week....bet your schedule for the next few months is really hectic. We started an English speaking SA group--there are now four of us...one is very far away so we talk alot by phone....it's really neat for all of us. I found this one priest who has had a similiar journey as I, so this has been wonderful for the both of us. Anyway, just wanted to say hi, to check in and to wish you much joy and peace during these days of the Risen Lord...Thanks for all your love and support....it was a beautiful Easter for me and I am grateful...affection, Finian

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> Dear Abbot Timothy: Such a shock to hear of Father Peregrin's sudden  
> death....we were neighbors. Add this to your already busy schedule.  
> Death is so inconsiderate. The family was so close....I'm sure this  
> will be very difficult. God bless him and embrace him: indeed, he's in  
> God's arms. Thanks for your recent note. I hope you received a  
> complete report from Benedict about all that's happening here. He was  
> certainly kept busy. We are moving right along with the moving date set  
> for May 24th--at least that is when the trucks arrive at Meguro to take  
> our tents and looms. Whether a few of us will be up there prior to  
> that time is anyone's guess. We leave on our three day planning  
> 'retreat' tomorrow so hopefully we will get some of the issues  
> discussed and approved. They still have some hard questions to deal  
> with. Kleran asked me to be the facilitator....what was that about  
> killing the messenger.....The time is rapidly moving along. A few days  
> ago I returned from my one week Japan Rail Pass. The cherry blossoms  
> followed me everywhere. It was a wonderful trip. Good weather, nice  
> things happened to me, met some interesting people, and yes, I was a  
> good boy. Actually, it was sort of a spiritual experience. Went to  
> Kyoto, Hiroshima, Nagano, Kawazaka, Motsumoto, and Hanazawa. Came back  
> tired but so excited about all I saw and all that happened.. The last  
> evening I slept in a youth hostel at a Buddhist Temple...such a unique  
> experience. That's about it for me. Hope you still get to work in  
> your time at Eagle...you need this (for the sake of all of us) Remember  
> us in your prayers during these important weeks....we are grateful for  
> Jim being here. What a trooper he is. Bye for now, and peace and  
> affection from me. Lyle

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>>similiar journey as I, so this has been wonderful for the both of us.  
>>Anyway, just wanted to say hi, to check in and to with you much joy  
>and  
>>peace during these days of the Risen Lord...Thanks for all your love  
>>and support....it was a beautiful Easter for me and I am  
>>grateful...affection, Finian

Kelly, Timothy

To: McDonald, Finian  
Subject: RE: Easter peace and love

Peace, Finian. Hope your trip goes well. Just remember, you have to tell me your minute by minute, day by day, happenings. I'm glad you could facilitate the meeting and glad you did a good job, even if you do say so yourself. I'm just back from Eagle and getting mail taken care of. See you soon.  
Abbot Timothy

-----Original Message-----

From: McDonald, Finian  
Sent: Saturday, April 24, 1999 9:48 PM  
To: Kelly, Timothy  
Subject: RE: Easter peace and love

Dear Abbot Timothy: Just a note before the virus arrives tomorrow. I know you are still up at Eagle Lake...hopefully the weather is nice and as used to say, 'enjoying a well deserved rest'. I'm sure the funeral and all that accompanied was very draining for you, so your 'retreat' is coming at a good time. Heard many touching reports about both the wake and funeral...it sounded like a real celebration for both the family and community. Sudden deaths always take awhile to process, so I'm sure it will be the same for us. We has our scheduled three day working session earlier this week at the Jesuit Retreat House...It went about quite smoothly...good spirit, lots of participation, a feeling of bonding that I have not seen before here, important issues were agreed on, and every item that the members submitted for review was discussed. I'm sure you read the minutes. I was happy to be the 'facilitator' and felt good about the unique role I had and, quite honestly, how good I was. (blowing ones own horn--so rare for me to do.(%)). Jim was down this weekend...he seems to be on target, and with a few glitches, things seem to be moving right along. Tony writes me regularly...they are not happy campers down there for any number of reasons. I feel for the group, especially for the stress Tony is experiencing. I'm getting excited about my trip to Thailand this Thursday. Talked about it at the SA group yesterday so I'm trying to be realistic about a city that I've acted out in before. But I've returned to other cities that have been of the same scene, and I managed to put recovery principles in charge...That English group is really a wonderful bunch...we are five now. We call each other all the time and have such a concern about each other. Anyway, I'm excited about having to leave the country and with you and everyone praying for my safe and healthy trip, I'm in God's hands. I'm happy and enjoying my stay and the contribution I am making to this community at a very important time. I gave a little sermon at the end of the workshop about their 'singing a new song to the Lord' That's what they are about to do in Fujimi,,,singing a new song to the Lord....Allulua. So, good abbot, take care of yourself, and I hope when you read this letter, that you are refreshed and happy. Affection and peace to you, Finian

-----Original Message-----

From: Kelly, Timothy  
To: McDonald, Finian  
Sent: 4/18/99 7:40 AM  
Subject: RE: Easter peace and love

Dear Father Finian:

Thanks for the message. Yes, the death of Fr. Peregrin is still a shock to all of us. I got the report about 9 o'clock Friday evening through campus security. I talked to someone at the medical examiner's office and then had to contact the family. Before I could call she called me asking what happened to Peregrin. I figured she already knew -- but she didn't so I had to backtrack a bit and break it to her as gently as can be done in these circumstances. I talked to most of the immediate family that evening but couldn't get hold of until the next morning. I've been pondering the homily since then and am not terribly satisfied with what I've come up with so far. Keep that little project in prayer. Tell Jim that our classmate Jim Miller of the Diocese of Juneau, Alaska, is dying of cancer and staying with one of his sisters in Rochester, MN. I talked with him on the phone last week. He told me he has pancreatic cancer and has been given one to three months to live. He said he has lived a full life and is ready to go. I assured him of our prayers.

Greetings to all and keep the family in prayer. Peace.  
Abbot Timothy

>-----Original Message-----

>From: McDonald, Finian  
>Sent: Sunday, April 18, 1999 7:32 AM  
>To: Kelly, Timothy  
>Subject: RE: Easter peace and love

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FULL AND FINAL RELEASE AND CONFIDENTIAL SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

FOR THE SOLE CONSIDERATION OF Thirteen Thousand and no/100 (\$13,000.00) Dollars, the receipt and sufficiency of which I hereby acknowledge, and the previous discharge of my student loan obligation of approximately \$1,800.00, I fully and forever release and discharge St. John's University and The Order of St. Benedict, Inc., a/k/a St. John's Abbey, including all of its/their operating divisions, Fr. Finian McDonald, and their agents, employees, heirs, administrators, executors, successors, insurers, and assigns, and all other persons and organizations who are or might be liable, from any and all claims of any type and nature and for any and all damages which I claim or could claim as a result of incidents during the early 1970's and thereafter which are or could be the subject of claims, legal actions and lawsuits asserted against the above parties.

I.

By executing this Release, I represent, state and agree that:

1. "Claims" includes demands, actions, and rights of action also includes all claims which I now or hereafter may have arising out of, in consequence of, or on account of said incidents, including, but not limited to, claims of assault, battery, sexual abuse, negligence, breaches of contract, and fault and liability of any type, nature or legal theory.

2. "Damages" includes past, present and future damages for personal injury; bodily injury; sickness; disease; pain; suffering and emotional or psychological injury and damage; loss

of income and or earning capacity, both past and future; sickness, disease, or damage; damage for care and loss of services arising from such injury, sickness, damages, or disease; past and future medical care, treatment, rehabilitation, medications and counselling expenses of any type; and all other damages of whatever kind or nature.

3. That I have not retained any attorneys and that there are no persons other than myself who have any claim, right, entitlement or interest in or to the proceeds of this settlement.

II.

I expressly intend and agree that this Release applies to all of my claims arising from said incidents, including, but not limited to, claims for known, unknown, latent, developed and undeveloped injuries; anticipated and unanticipated consequences, and known and unknown developments of any of such injuries; and claims as respects the nature, extent and permanency of any of such injuries.

III.

I expressly agree to satisfy any liens, now claimed or which could be claimed relative to this matter, from the above noted proceeds of settlement and to defend, indemnify and hold harmless the released parties from any such claims.

IV.

In executing this Release, I am relying on my own judgment, belief, and knowledge as to all aspects of my claims, and I am not relying on representations or statements made by any of the

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parties herein released or anyone representing them.

V.

I acknowledge that said sum is paid in compromise and settlement of disputed claims, that payment thereof shall not be construed as admission of any liability, whatsoever, by any of the parties herein released and by whom liability is expressly denied.

VI.

The undersigned, \_\_\_\_\_ agrees that the type and nature of the claims asserted by him against the parties released and the fact of this settlement and the existence of the Full and Final Release Agreement and its terms and conditions are to be held in strict confidence. I agree not to disclose to any person the type, nature, and description of such claims, the fact that a settlement has been made, the existence of this agreement, and/or its terms and conditions, except as may become necessary to my accountants, tax consultants, state and federal tax authorities or as may be required by law.

VII.

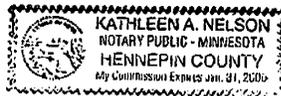
Understanding that I and the other parties released by this Agreement each have rights to peace and privacy which should not be disturbed or affected by one another, I, \_\_\_\_\_ further agree and promise that I will not personally solicit, advertise or otherwise engage in any activities seeking to identify, locate and contact any other person who may have similar claims against any of the parties released herein for the

purpose of assisting and encouraging the bringing of similar claims.

Dated: May 6, 1999.

Subscribed and sworn to before  
me this 6 day of May, 1999.

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May 6, 1999

HAND DELIVERED

Re: Claims against St. John's Abbey  
and University and  
Fr. Finian McDonald  
Our File No. 8579

Dear

I am hand delivering to you, the following:

1. My firm's trust account check in the amount of \$13,000.00 payable to you as full and final settlement of all of your claims.
2. A duplicate original copy of the Full and Final Release and Confidential Settlement Agreement signed by you.
3. Original National Direct Student Loan Program Promissory Note marked "PAID IN FULL" for loans totalling \$1,900.00.
4. Original and photocopy of May 3, 1999 letter of Student Loan Collection Manager, verifying that the loan was considered paid in full as of July 10, 1998.

The other matter we have discussed involved your desire to request to be allowed to complete incomplete classes or courses which you began as a student at St. John's. In that regard, you have the same rights as any other former student to petition for that assistance. Your claims and the settlement of those claims

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neither helps nor hinders you if you want to follow whatever University procedures there are in place for completion. It will be entirely up to you to determine what rights you might have in that regard and to pursue any such rights.

Yours very truly,



Jerome R. Klukas

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Enclosures

cc: w/encl. Abbot Timothy Kelly  
Fr. ~~Rene McGraw~~

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**Kelly, Timothy**

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**From:** McDonald, Finian  
**Sent:** Sunday, May 16, 1999 8:17 PM  
**To:** Kelly, Timothy  
**Subject:** Last days from Meguro

Dear Abbot Timothy: As you can imagine, there is lots going on here during these last hours at Meguro. I returned from my two weeks in Thailand and Cambodia the day before yesterday. It was all so exciting, especially my four days in Angkor Wat...you must see it if you already haven't. Also went to the Capitor of Phnam Phen, (spelling), which was also quite interesting, the Killing Fields, the High School prison, some wats and the palace and museum. Will tell you about other parts of the trip when you arrive. It was all very good and I'm grateful. Things here are moving at a very rapid pace...I'm sure Kieran is keeping you informed. We all went to Fujimi yesterday for the first of the open-houses. This one for our immediate neighbors...about 40 were there, good spirit, nice feeling and a beautiful day. I think it was very successful...this one was quite important, more important than the parish of Fujimi open-house which is scheduled for next week. We all came back by car and train that same evening. Meanwhile, back at Meguro, things are really jumping. No more common meals, everything is being packed, I and a few others have to leave our rooms by Thursday...going back and forth to Fujimi for various reasons, the movers are here the 24th, arriving with all our possessions on the 25th at Fujimi and we all move into our new place on the 26th....It will be very hectic for awhile. I find it all very exciting, of course, but a few find it understandably very stressful. But the spirit is good and there is an energy of 'a new foundation in the making'. Hope you are well and taking these last days of the school years in stride....you are kept very busy as I recall. You heard of course that the Jerusalem program has been cancelled for next Spring so that cancels that 'cooking job' that I was exploring. As I recall, you didn't see much reason to continue the program anyway. Just wanted to write these few notes and I look forward to your arrival at Fujimi. Prior Nick arrives here in a few days. It will be good to see him again. I like him.

**Kelly, Timothy**

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**To:** McDonald, Finian  
**Subject:** RE: continued

Thanks for the messages. I did hear from Kieran about the open house for the neighbors. It all sounds good. I am looking forward to being there and having the opportunity to see everyone in the new setting. I hope I can get to my homily for the occasion soon and get the Japanese parts of the ritual into pronouncable form. Assure William I'm trying as best I can. Peace to all.

Abbot Timothy

—Original Message—

**From:** McDonald, Finian  
**Sent:** Sunday, May 16, 1999 8:43 PM  
**To:** Kelly, Timothy  
**Subject:** continued

Dear Timothy: Sorry, I was afraid that I was going to lose the letter if I didn't send it. I was almost finished.....Al seems very happy to be back. He will add alot to this community. Kieran was just in to check about where everybody was sleeping for the next week.....it's all up for grabs, so to speak. Anyway, good Abbot, all is fine here and were all taking everything as it comes.....even Kieran is remembering to take his pills. Peace to you and affection, Finian

**Kelly, Timothy**

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**To:** McDonald, Finian  
**Subject:** RE: hello from fujimi

Dear Fr.Finian,

Your message touches my heart. I am equally grateful to you for the major help you have been in both the Bahamas and in Japan. You have shown a very giving spirit and they miss you in the Bahamas and will miss you in Japan when you return here. I do look forward to being there and enjoying the accomplishment of the community there. The way this got started and has been carried out has been with the blessings of God in abundance. I am really confident that those blessings will continue and that there is a future for Benedictines in Japan because of the blessings of God and the hard work of cooperation of the community there and here.

Our retreat with Fr. Dominic Milroy of Ampleforth Abbey in England is going very well. He has done a magnificent job and the community has loved him. The program tonight at the end of the festal meal was a revelation of the goodness of our membership. Makes you rather glad to be a member of this abbey. Retreat ends tomorrow with conference and a few remarks from me.

On Saturday I leave for St Bede Abbey in Illinois to give the retreat there. I return on Thursday. Keep it in prayer, if you will.

I'll be seeing you and all in two weeks. Fr. Kieran has my itinerary and I hope he confirms reception thereof. Peace and blessings to all.

Abbot Timothy

-----Original Message-----

**From:** McDonald, Finian  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 03, 1999 6:04 PM  
**To:** Kelly, Timothy  
**Subject:** hello from fujimi

Dear Abbot Timothy: Just a last note to you before you arrive on the 18th. It seems like soooo much has happened during these last few weeks.....Kieran, I'm sure, has kept you much informed. We are pretty much set up in our new home....and a home it is. It is really quite extraordinary. I was walking down the long connecting hallway last night after office and thought what a unique opportunity it was for me to be a part of this venture. The place is beautiful, the site, the architecture, the materials used, the 'feeling' of the place is quite dramatic and yet so simple. You will love your new priory. We do look forward to your visit and to the blessing on the 20th.....slowly the last details are being made. The place will not be fully completed yet ---- this may take a year, but for the most part, it's ready for your magic wand. I'm sure you'r just as excited about the place as we are. I say again, it was so good for me to be a part of this historic move. I enjoyed my stay with these men and I was the one who received the most....Parts of the 'journey' were difficult, especially these last two weeks, but it vanishes with the job completed. In fact, Timothy, this past year has been a gift,,,,helping out at our two priory's at times when they needed someone to help them. I am grateful to you and to all concerned for this opportunity. It has been a wonderful year for me in so many ways. I will go to Tokyo on Saturday, the 12th of June, for my last gathering with three people in my SA group.....three men who have been such a source on support, friendship and inspiration for me for my time in Tokyo....we are having lunch and our final session together. I will miss them. I am happy and also happy to be going home again. It will be so good to return to St. John's. This is all for now. We will see you soon.....safe trip and mucho affection. Peace and love from Finian

**Kelly, Timothy**

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**To:** McDonald, Finian  
**Subject:** RE: Recent Health status

You mean the blue pills with the smiley face on them?

-----Original Message-----

**From:** McDonald, Finian  
**Sent:** Friday, July 09, 1999 6:57 AM  
**To:** Kelly, Timothy  
**Subject:** Recent Health status

Dear Abbot Timothy: Just a note....I have scheduled an appointment with you for next Wednesday, but I did want to inform you now of my recent health situation. I had my regular appointment yesterday with my throat and Achalasia Doctor, Peter Nelson. He said that we can't play around any longer with my esophagus...He's scheduled an appointment with the surgeon, Dr. Jung, St. Cloud Clinic for next Tuesday to set up the surgery preparation details. I had another little episode of aspirating something into my lung. Dr. Hafner also thinks it's time. Fortunately, this is not as serious as the last time and will hopefully stay that way. See you Wednesday...keep taking your blue pills. You're looking great. Finian

**CONFIDENTIAL****AUTHORIZATION TO RELEASE RECORDS - CONTINUING CARE**Patient Name: Finian McDonaldSLI #: 12547Birth Date: 12/23/28**COMMUNICATION FROM:****SAINT LUKE INSTITUTE, INC.**8901 New Hampshire Avenue  
Silver Spring, Maryland 20903  
USA

Telephone: 301-445-7970

**COMMUNICATION TO:**

(Program/Person/Agency)

Very Rev. Timothy Kelly, OSB

(Address)

St. John's AbbeyPO Box 2015

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Collegeville, MN 56321

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(320)363-2011**AS SPECIFIED AND AGREED TO BELOW:**

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**SIGNATURES:**

Finian McDonald Aug 3, 99  
Patient Signature Date

Amy J. Stueck 8/3/99  
Witness Signature Date

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## Saint Luke Institute

August 25, 1999

### CONFIDENTIAL

Very Reverend Timothy T. Kelly, O.S.B.  
St. John's Abbey  
Collegeville, MN 56321

Re: Reverend Finian McDonald  
SLI # 12647

Dear Abbot Kelly:

Father McDonald attended a workshop with us the week of August 2-6, 1999 as a week of reflection and renewal of his recovery commitment. The following is our evaluation of his current spiritual and emotional health a year and a half after his successful completion of the Continuing Care Program, based on an August 4, 1999 structured interview, collateral letters received, and his participation in group sessions.

**Recovery Program:** This was Father McDonald's ninth continuing care workshop, one beyond the completion of his contract. Originally planned as a reunion and renewal week, Father used the workshop to "get current" on considerable addictive slippage in his recovery. As difficult as it was for him to admit to the group and the staff that he had lapsed into old behaviors, it is no longer in Father McDonald's behavior repertoire to be less than truthful with those to whom he holds himself accountable. He reported gambling slips in Bermuda and Tokyo, a momentary stealing slip, relapses into anonymous sex in Bangkok, and behaving inappropriately when greeted with a hug by a junior monk at Saint John's. Each of these relapses he reported almost immediately to support group, spiritual director, to you, Abbot, or 12-step sponsor and friends, as he was faithful to a regular recovery schedule throughout his several changes of location. Upon returning to Saint John's, he immediately reconnected with his individual therapist.

During the workshop, we strategized with Father McDonald ways of heeding "budding signs" and taking preventive action before relapse behavior occurred. We noted in the letters from Father Ward and Father Skudlarek their observations of what they termed "immature" behavior around some people, particularly young men, which we interpreted to mean, essentially, flirtatiousness. We had considerable discussion around recognizing the difference between exercising an unusually delightful sense of humor, which none of us would change in Father McDonald, and using humor or playfulness for ulterior purposes. In a brief conversation with his inpatient therapist, Father got

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to the heart of the matter when Brad Brodeur asked him, "Have you prayed to God and asked him to remove your lust?" Father acknowledged that to the extent that he is able to so pray without reservation, he will be able to employ recovery strategies effectively.

**Current Living Experience/Vocational Functioning:** From Nassau to Tokyo to Fujimi, Father McDonald received high praise for his ministry. Father Skudlarek wrote that his help in moving the priory from Tokyo to Fujimi was invaluable, saying, "Without him there to organize the project and to gently prod us along, I can't imagine how we could have pulled it off. There were times when he became frustrated by the passive (and not so passive) resistance of some members of the community to his suggestions. His response, however, was to deal with these difficulties directly and yet gently. In the end he succeeded in getting people to work together and to get the job done. In addition...he was an excellent confrere, contributing generously to the daily tasks of community life, to prayer, and to our communication with one another."

Prior Fecht wondered in his letter to us if Father would find it difficult to re-emerge back at Saint John's after the excitement of travel and new projects. Father expressed to us his love for Saint John's and the peace he finds there. Nevertheless, he admitted finding 12-step meetings with certain of his confreres difficult for him. As is his style, however, he is willing to stay with the process to gain whatever benefit he can regardless of the discomfort.

**3. Medical:** During the course of the workshop we monitor physical health via various laboratory indices. As in past workshops, Father McDonald brought with him a current laboratory report ordered by his personal physician. Our nutritionist notes that he has lost five pounds over the last two-and-a-half years, which she said was positive. She noted that his lipids were also improved. As always, Father has been faithful to a regular exercise program wherever his ministry has taken him.

All present were very concerned for Father's upcoming surgery. The workshop participants organized an anointing for him during the final liturgy of the week.

**4. Recommendations and Treatment Plan:** Father McDonald showed rare courage and dedication to his recovery during this workshop, and throughout the time since his last visit here. We commend his tenacity, his honesty, and his positive approach. We encourage him to stay with his recovery schedule, including individual therapy, which we know he will do. We especially invite him to ponder the words and the unconditional love offered him here and in his community as a strong support for his continuing progress. We are happy to be a part of his recovery journey, and welcome him back whenever we can be of further help to him.

A copy of this letter is being sent Father McDonald for his record, and to share with his support network for their observations on the workshop week. We hope he will express our thanks to all who wrote us for their help in making the workshop a useful experience for him. If you have any questions regarding the report, please don't hesitate to call us.

Very Reverend Timothy T. Kelly, O.S.B.  
Re: Reverend Finian McDonald - SLI 12647

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Your continued faith and support are invaluable in supporting Father McDonald's recovery, Abbot Kelly, as we're sure you know. Our prayers are with you always. Please remember us to the Lord for continued blessings on the work of the Institute.

Sincerely,



Catherine Turner, LCSW-C  
Continuing Care Therapist



Stephen Montana, Ph.D.  
Director of Clinical Services



for Rev. Kenneth D. Phillips, TOR, MS, NCC  
Coordinator, Continuing Care Services



Frank Valcour, MD  
Medical Director

CT/ct-lc  
cc: Reverend Finian McDonald

Jan 17, 2001

Dear Father Prior: Thanks for inviting comments on your Blessed Sacrament Chapel Site document. It sort-of reminded me of Father Dunstan Tucker's oft quoted remark: "The real power of a committee is not in the members themselves, rather, it lies with the Chair and/or the person who writes the minutes and publishes the reports." That truism being honored, I, too, submit the following 'unbiased' comments. I am sending this to you but will possibly distribute this rough draft response to other members of the community.

I see the need for the improvement of the space we reserve for the Blessed Sacrament... both in function and in how we witness to the pre-eminence of this sacrament in our liturgical life. The current space has served us for almost forty years...and we also note that we have four other chapels on campus in which the Blessed Sacrament is reserved. But, having said this, I also feel, along with the various committees, that the current space in the main Abbey Church is not adequate. It was appropriate, therefore, that the Guest House Program Committee and other monastic leaders included this need along with the guesthouse plans in the initial programmatic requirements sent to the selected architects.

I feel that the committees you have chaired have not given sufficient attention to the exploration of current spaces and existing structures. . You have honored various suggestions that have been suggested from members of the community but you have not commissioned or given significant direction to professionals and other architects to explore the possibilities of existing spaces. We have therefore been presented with possible sites where the primary focus has been with new sites and additional buildings. The conclusion of your recent document reads: "After assessing the above noted sites, the broad consensus of all the committees is that Site A be the recommended site for the construction of the Blessed Sacrament Chapel...Site B is the alternate choice...." . Both of these options are new building sites. More importantly, this document and the concluding recommendation does not refer to the opposition of some committee members to the building of any new structures nor does it sufficiently honor the other people in the community who feel that another monumental structure is excessive.

I would like to suggest that a new effort be instituted which would again review, in a more directed manner and with additional outside architects, the careful study of the possible re-design of a site of our existing spaces.

Related thoughts would include: 1) With the realistic estimate of our Community size in years to come, do we really want another major architectural building to both finance and maintain. 2) Haven't we enough significant (and expensive) spaces that are not currently being used and remain empty the majority of the time. (I refer to St. Benedict's Chapel, the many side altars in the lower chapel, and (The Chapter House is one of these spaces, of course, but it is now being held in reserve for future renovation). 3) We talk of the importance of witness in respect to Eucharist, but what kind of witness would we be giving to a world with poverty, social justice, and hunger needs by the building of another architectural jewel. Could not these several million dollars be used for a more important contribution to the faith and service mission of our St. John's community. 4) I also respect the contribution of M. Breuer to the St. John's community and I'm happy we have people who are concerned about maintaining the integrity of his buildings....I can only add that we have already seriously done significant alterations to St. Bernard Hall and to the old Abbot's Chapel, which was certainly one of his jewels. When the time and needs of the community warrant the change and redesigning of the Breuer spaces, it would sound reasonable and responsible to consider these renovations. ...perhaps even Breuer would approve.

Thanks, Brian, OSB

Scripture  
and Reading  
Evening  
of Misses Funeral

Feb. 11, 2001 -

Reading, Mk. 6: 7-13

Sometimes when I read or hear Scripture, I see its application in ways that seem to be speaking to me for the first time ~ and I find myself saying, "Has the meaning of these words been here all this time?"

well, for me, today's first reading from Hebrews is one of those "first time" experiences. (Pause)

This afternoon we come to worship at the altar of Sinai ~ and like the Jews of the Old Testament, we are also aware of the importance and power of symbols and the signs of sacrament! And so, we come to this altar to offer bread and wine ~ we hear the trumpet sounds of words that change these ordinary elements into the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ ~ our ears explode with these sacred sounds of our salvation ~ as in Hebrews, we also "tremble with fear."

Pause ~ This afternoon we also worship at the altar of Zion!  
the cornerstone of the living God - our Heavenly Jerusalem.

|| An altar ~~is~~ <sup>so</sup> essential to our <sup>previous</sup> Sinai altar of signs and symbols. For Zion is the altar of unseen powers - a creation beyond signs, symbols or sacred words!

① Angels surround us ~ <sup>with their</sup> inaudible - Holy Holy Holy ~

② All the first of creation are assembled, <sup>and that</sup> ~~enormous~~ incredible chorus of the spirits and souls who have come before us, <sup>the</sup> unseen God of Compassion and power ~

and the <sup>love</sup> overwhelming of Jesus Christ - <sup>awesome</sup> by altar of the unseen Zion! Pause - Renewed and refreshed, we go out from these two altars - two by two ~ relying <sup>only</sup> on our faith ~~of~~ and our dependence

on God - to proclaim that Jesus is Lord -  
to cast out evil spirits and to heal  
all those (whom) we will touch with our lives.

**Klassen, John**

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**From:** Fecht, Geoffrey  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 02, 2001 10:09 AM  
**To:** McDonald, Finian  
**Cc:** Klassen, John; Glycer, Isidore  
**Subject:** Barbering

*File*

Finian, thanks for being willing to take the position of Head Abbey Barber. The responsibilities include:

- Overseeing the *Tonsorium*, including maintaining equipment, repair of equipment as necessary or purchasing new equipment as needed, giving the receipts of repairs or purchases to the prior who will pay for them out of the Abbey Recreation Account.
- Encouraging, recruiting and arranging the training of new barbers
- Scheduling of barbers

The following are current barbers:

Zachary Wilberding  
Jared Rand  
Matthew Luft (in Matthew's case, his scheduling needs to be coordinated with the socius, Br. Isidore)

Additional barbers that need to be encouraged and scheduled are:

Alan Reed - once a month for now, and more if possible once he gets into it again,  
Jeff Hutson - once a month for now, ...  
Peter Habenczius - as able. Folks simply need to be made aware that he will take them on an appointment-by-appointment basis as he as able (they need to call him)  
Xavier Schermerhorn - will require more training. He could be scheduled for either the Retirement Center or both the *Tonsorium* and the Retirement Center  
Neal Laloo - may require more training and could help during the summer  
David Rothstein - during the summer  
Placid Stuckenschneider - approach him about being on a regular schedule, if not for the *Tonsorium*, then for the Retirement Center

**McDonald, Finian**

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**From:**  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 22, 2001 1:58 PM  
**To:** McDonald, Finian  
**Subject:** Hi Finian

Hi Finian

Hope you are having a Happy Thanksgiving! We had 'our' Thanksgiving here last Sunday. We had 17 out of 18 - not a bad turn out. The only no-show was my son . He was hunting.

Meant to write sooner, however shortly after we met for lunch the company offered me an early retirement offer. Been dwelling ever since on the quesiton as to if I should take it or not. I have until the end of the month to decide.

Hope things have been going well with you. Does your community have a large Thanksgiving dinner?

What have you been doing? Working, or getting ready to travel again. After all cold weather is coming. Time for you to go to the Bahamas again. :-)

When we met last I said I would send you my info to be called in case of an emergency:

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Have you heard from . ? I havn't.

Take care and let me know when you're ready for anchovies again,

My new nest of sea  
for your birds  
Finian

SAINT JOHN'S ABBEY

BOX 2015

COLLEGEVILLE, MINNESOTA 56321-2015

OFFICE OF THE ABBOT

March 7, 2002

Father Finian McDonald, OSB  
Saint John's Abbey

Dear Finian:

I have carefully considered your proposal for returning to Holy Trinity Monastery in Fujimi, Japan during the months of April and May. When I presented this proposal to the staff, the major consideration was your health and the desire to see more improvement in your strength and weight. I would also like to speak directly with your specialist regarding the risks in the situation of being away from medical care in this country.

Finian, I know that this will be disappointing news to you at this time. Be assured that there is no hidden agenda here, just an awareness of the risks and the substantial costs involved in getting people back and forth to Japan in a crisis mode.

Blessings and peace,



Abbot John Klassen, OSB

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JBK

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**From:** Skudlarek, William on behalf of Klassen, John  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 05, 2002 11:06 AM  
**To:** JBK  
**Subject:** FW: Stuttering Conference

-----Original Message-----

**From:** McDonald, Finian  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 05, 2002 10:56 AM  
**To:** Klassen, John  
**Subject:** Stuttering Conference

Abbot John: Just a note to keep you informed. I changed my flight on NWA so that I will return on the 1st of July (instead on the 3rd). There was a penalty but that was expected. I also just had a friendly chat with Fr. Paul....told him of my change of plans and clarified that I was just hoping that he might just happen to be in LA to have lunch or for me to explore with him a hurried day trip to his place....that I was attending a stuttering and therapeutic workshop/conference and that I have added an extra two days ...thinking at the time that we might have a chance to get together. ... was sorry to have confused him thinking that I might be on his doorstep for four or five days. He was friendly and the chat was pleasant...Thanks for all your understanding ..... what a complicated journey we are all on. Finian

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F. M. McDonald — 7-26-02

8:30 -> 9:15

- Asked him how he is doing — saw up time —
- talked about the experience of feeling like a second class citizen — well defined group within the community — experience of we/they.
- F. asked about the possibility of Fujini in the future. I said that I couldn't say at this time.
- F. also talked about all the little things that contribute to feel him he is a second class citizen. But he also said that he knows that he deserves to be a second class citizen because of past wrongs, both public & private, that have occurred.
- He expressed strong concern that I and my staff be driven by the whim of Juns —
- I countered by saying that my job is to continue for friends that "all get it"
- He pointed out that neither Ray nor Doug can reach out in an empathic way to these guys — they will listen, ask how things are going, but will not be able to go deeper. So this explains the difference in experience —
- Ray & Doug think they are doing what I asked but only at a surface level — meanwhile they feel abandoned.
- I asked F. to work in earnest for 12-15 hours a week — he is ok with that

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Excerpts from October 21, 2002 Call Report -  
As Reported by John Young to Br. Dietrich and Abbot John

caught me off guard when he said that he wanted to share something with me that he had only told his family. He began by saying that during his freshman year at Saint John's, Fr. Finian was Dean of Men. He added that he was a 17 year old freshman and a member of the Johnnie Hockey Team. Fr. Finian accompanied the team to the Twin Cities for an away game and on the way home he and Finian had a nice conversation and he considered it the beginning of a friendship. This was a Friday evening and on the following Monday morning Fr. Finian called [redacted] to his office. [redacted] said that they were having another conversation and, suddenly out of no where, Finian made a very sexual advance toward him. "He literally grabbed my crotch." [redacted] said that he was completely stunned but that he had the sense to immediately get up and leave his office. He went on to say that as unbelievable as it might sound, the next day he decided to go to confession in the Abbey and behind the confessional was none other than Fr. Finian. He said that this really blew him away so when the weekend came he went back home to the Twin Cities and told his dad what had happened. Unfortunately, his dad didn't believe him. From that day forward it has impacted [redacted] relationship with the Church and his experience as a Catholic. He said that now, some 30 years later, he has resolved these issues with his dad because how his dad believes him.

[redacted] went on to say that in spite of this incident, and the fact that it shook his believe in the Benedictines, he has remained loyal to Saint John's and financially supportive of the institution. What he struggles with, and what he doesn't understand, is why individuals like Fr. Finian are allowed to continue to be active members of the community. He is especially troubled by his knowledge that Fr. Finian is allow to be in regular informal contact with students. [redacted] s convinced that he is one of many individuals who were "hit on" by Fr. Finian, and to this day he says it hurts to know that this is a fact, especially knowing that others didn't have the presence of mind to flee a bad situation.

## Skudlarek, William

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**From:** McDonald, Finian  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 20, 2003 9:22 PM  
**To:** Klassen, John  
**Cc:** Pedrizetti, Raymond; McGraw, Rene  
**Subject:** Japan assignment

Dear Abbot John: Sorry not to be more prompt in responding to your offer of a temporary stay in Fujimi. I guess I was taken back when William Skudlarek conveyed your proposal to me. My initial response to this offer was one of surprise and a surfacing of other emotional 'junk' that was still floating around in my mind. Having said that, I am grateful for your offer and the awareness on your part that I have need of space and distance from the community at this time of my life and how it relates to my quest for healing. I am trying to understand your concern about unapproved wanderings throughout the world and the resulting conditions that you have attached to my travel. I have some fears about being caged in the little town of Fujimi for this time....It is my understanding that longer travel would require me to have someone with me...and I would hope that opportunities to travel with other monks in the community would happen.

I would like to request that I begin these eight weeks by leaving the Monday or Tuesday after Easter Sunday, April 21st or 22nd. For the following reasons is this postponement requested: 1) Holy week is a very rush time for sacristans, all of us are very busy during the days before and the week itself. An added note to this is that people are concerned about Brother Luke's busy schedule and the impact this is currently having on his health. 2) I am also one of the few remaining members of the community that is involved with church environment and the current assignments I have for the rest of Lent and Holy Week itself seems to be falling on a few of us. 3) Finally, I would like to be around for the preparation and the 'getting off the pad' my monastic flower garden.... these early weeks of April will be important for the rest of the garden year and for the 150 new tulip bulbs which I planted last Fall.

I would therefore be leaving Japan on June 23rd (eight weeks after my arrival)....resulting in my not being home for the community retreat. This relates to my second request...The National Stuttering Association conference begins on June 24th in Nashville, Tn. As you may recall from previous discussions, this organization is very important for me and I would like very much to make this a stop-over on my return from Japan. Attending this conference and being with the many friends has a renewable and spiritual energy for me. This would be joined with the spiritual retreat and reflection time that would be a part of this Japan experience. I am confident that it would be a suitable substitution.. I could also read any of the published conferences and listen to the tapes. As for my stay in Nashville, I will, of course be with many friends who are in recovery; in fact, many of the conferences are centered around the 12 step program.... one of my recovery sponsors plans to attend so this would be a contact which I hope you would be comfortable in giving you justification for this conference. ...I could also call daily to report to any one at St. John's to act as a further check-in. I would then continue with my return trip from Japan and arrive at Collegeville on June 30th. These five days at the Stuttering Conference would also count as the remaining days in this year's vacation allowance.

I have already done considerable checking on options, schedule and prices...with this timetable in mind, the total cost will be about 1300 dollars, including the stop-over in Nashville...this is a very good price for a stay of more than thirty days, and has to be secured by March 26th (consolidators require this date for this price). This fare could be even less if the war situation and airline competitive policies decide to adjust fare costs.

I look forward to this possibility to return to Japan...it's a feeling and opportunity that I feel may be my last time. (That's the Irish in me!) It will be great to return to the monastery that I had such a significant part in it's moving from Tokyo to Fujimi..I love this land and culture.

I have a very good priest friend near Tokyo..years ago Father Bart and I founded the first SA in Tokyo.. It is still meeting weekly and doing very well...serving the English speaking addicts in Tokyo. As a part of my support recovery while I'm in Japan, I would like to visit this group ( which meets Saturday afternoons at the Franciscan Center) several times during my stay...staying with him at his parish during those Saturday nights on those nights that I would be there. I would not like to bring another monk with me for these two visits.These are my recommendations for my eight weeks stay in Japan. Plane travel arrangements are to be confirmed by March 26th. Thanks again your your invitation and understanding. I am also pleased that you had the opportunity to share the discussion that I had with n when he was visiting St. John's.  
Gratefully, Finian

SAINT JOHN'S ABBEY



February 21, 2004

Abbot John:

As I have expressed before, I do not give my permission for handing over my files. If you choose to pass them on in spite of this and previous requests, I believe you are violating my rights both as a monk and as a citizen of the United States. I am sending a copy of this letter to Bob Stich so that it will be safely on file for later use, should such use be necessary. I am also sending a copy of this letter to my Vicar and Prior, Raymond Pedrizetti, Rene Mc Graw and Dan Ward.

Sincerely

Finian McDonald

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SAINT JOHN'S ABBEY

BOX 2015

COLLEGEVILLE, MINNESOTA 56321-2015

OFFICE OF THE ABBOT

March 26, 2004

Father Finian McDonald, OSB  
Saint John's Abbey  
Collegeville, MN 56321

Dear Finian:

This letter is in response to your letter of March 4, 2004 expressing concern about your file which you reviewed with my permission. Just so we are clear about it, this file has been shared with the members of the Abbey Review Board.

From a legal point of view I have consulted with Mr. Dan Connolly from Faegre and Benson to draft the language for the by-laws that govern the operation of the Review Board. This language makes the Review Board a part of the normal operation of Saint John's Abbey. The Review Board is advisory to the abbey and to me. The sharing of files in this difficult situation cannot be considered sharing them with a "third party."

In addition, I had Father Jonathan Licari, who has a doctorate in canon law, review all the documentation and the way in which we are proceeding. He concurred that the pathway we are on meets with canonical principles. I am enclosing Father Jonathan's letter to me so that you can be assured that I am taking counsel.

Finian, the Review Board has to know what happened, the details of the past. I was careful to exclude any of the initial evaluative material from either Saint Luke's or as well as all of the follow-up material from aftercare. Each member of the Review Board has signed a confidentiality agreement prepared by Mr. Bob Stich.

I believe that the only path to credibility with our students in the Prep School, the University, and the School of Theology, with parents and alums, with our employees and neighbors is by allowing an independent group of experts, who care deeply about us and our future, to see and understand our past. Your good friends and would certainly support this path. This is not about punishing or shaming you. It is about laying out a plan of

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accountability and care that is credible with our students, parents, employees, neighbors, and all who care about you and Saint John's.

Right now we have false allegations against three monks. You and all of other monk offenders are sitting ducks for even the most outrageously false allegations. A fundamental dimension of a plan of care and accountability is that it can protect you from false allegations in the future.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "John Klassen".

Abbot John Klassen, OSB

Enclosure: Father Jonathan Licari letter

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COLLEGEVILLE, MINNESOTA 56321-2015

OFFICE OF THE ABBOT

March 30, 2004

Abbot Timothy Kelly, OSB  
Saint John's Abbey  
Collegeville, MN 56321

Dear Abbot Timothy:

I have received your letter regarding Father Finian McDonald's request for a judicial forum. I am willing to enter into conciliation on this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "John Klassen", with a small cross symbol to the left of the first letter.

Abbot John Klassen, OSB

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## **Abbot John Klassen's private account**

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**From:** McGraw, Rene  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 14, 2004 8:30 PM  
**To:** Abbot John Klassen's private account  
**Subject:**

Hello Abbot John,

I am sorry for not getting back to you after I got done with the independent study. I simply forgot. And then when I checked after Eucharist, you were not in your office. Then I was at the senior banquet. I apologize.

Some of my memory may be wrong on the details of this case.

first came to Abbot Jerome when Finian was on his way back from Japan.

The incidents he referred to had occurred when as a student and had made contact with Finian. He was concerned about some of his attractions to adolescents and about his general sexual orientation since he was working in the Prep School at the time as a college student. Some situations of sexual contact with Finian occurred.

He had himself been abused earlier--I believe when he was in high school--I believe by a Christian brother, though I am not sure. He had also been involved with a number of our other monks--I believe either Aaron or Richard or both, perhaps with Allen Tarlton, and I think one other, though I don't remember. But in any case there were others. It was never clear why he did not feel it necessary to out the other monks. Perhaps the kind of abuse was not as egregious, but I don't know.

He was a teacher after he left here, and eventually got involved with some high school students (males) at the high school and was fired. He had come to see Finian a couple of times after he was teaching to tell him about his worries about the attraction at the first school and then shifted school. The first school was only voyeuristic, the second school he got involved directly sexually with a couple of the boys.

The case dragged on. Abbot Timothy was very supportive of him, liked him and his wife very much. I think that he even spoke to the community, but I am not sure about that. He and his wife seemed to come to some peace at the time when we had the settlement.

I was present at his deposition in the Twin Cities as was, of course, Jerry Klukas and Bob Stich. Jeffrey Anderson was his lawyer, but he was not present.

We eventually settled with him and his wife. They both received extensive counseling. I think either Abbot Jerome or Abbot Timothy offered them up to in counseling. I don't remember what the settlement was apart from the , which I do remember.

In any case, Abbot Timothy would also remember.

A complete file on that case is in the locked file in the archives, I believe in the third drawer. John Kulas would have the records of the therapy payments to him.

He was working for at that time on the board of regents). Jeffrey Anderson was going to have put an ad in the sports page of the Minneapolis Tribune asking whether any other Johnnies had been abused by him, but apparently persuaded him not to do it.

I have a committee meeting from 8:00 - 9:15 tomorrow morning and class from 9:40 -10:50. But if you want to call, I'll be up until late at 3936.

Rene

April 29, 2004

To: Abbot John Klassen. St. John's University  
From:  
RE: Sexual Assaults by Fr. Finian, Fr. Tarelton

**For Consideration**

I want to make sure my kids are ok and can get a good education. My son, \_\_\_\_\_, would like them to be able to attend SJU/CSB, (if this is the college of their choice) for four years, having SJU subsidize their expense. I would, however, want my kids to work in the student work program to participate in the funding of their education.

If they are not accepted into SJU/CSB or choose another institution, I would like SJU to be responsible for the cost of tuition, room and board, equivalent to the current rates at the University of Minnesota.

For myself, I am a talented HR professional. However, I have learned over the past fourteen months that employers are not willing to hire an HR leader with a my criminal record. I would like SJU to consider an interest-free loan to purchase/start a business that can be repaid in a reasonable and mutually acceptable amount of time. Retraining and reeducation would also be a very helpful option.

I've been asked what I needed for my healing. My answer is simply to ensure my kids are ok and I can provide a GOOD college education for them. All I want for myself is to have an honorable career, using my gifts and talents as best I can. I want to contribute meaningfully in what I do and make a positive difference. Perhaps spiritual counseling would be helpful and/or therapy for myself and my family, as needed.

I appreciate your willingness to listen to my story.

Sincerely,

April 29, 2004

To: Abbot John Klassen, St. John's University  
From  
RE: Sexual Assaults by Fr. Finian, Fr. Tarelton

I am writing this letter to recap the sexual abuse I suffered by Fr. Finian McDonald and Fr. Alan Tarelton, while studying at St. John's University between 1974-1978. The scars have been deep and many are left unhealed. After nearly 30 years, the impact of these events is as powerful as ever.

I first encountered Finian in January of my Freshman year. (January 1975) I sought him out for counseling, as I had just been jolted by a young lady, with whom at the time I thought I was deeply in love. I was, EXTREMELY vulnerable. It is clear now that Finian manipulated and controlled me in order to fulfill his own selfish sexual desires. Before the abuse he quickly became what I thought was a trusted friend and mentor. Yet his goal, from the onset, was to have sexual contact with me.

There are three incidents of sexual abuse by Finian I will recount.:

**1<sup>ST</sup> Event**

I was invited to Finian's room in late January of 1975, after about three weeks of counseling. He certainly had gained my full confidence and trust!

After a short time, he offered me wine. I accepted and the entire bottle was finished. Candles were lit during this process, the room was darkened. Finian then invited me to lay down on his bed for a back rub.

In a few minutes he removed my shirt and massaged my chest and stomach. He insisted I keep my eyes closed and then massaged my legs and thighs. He removed my pants, turned me on my stomach and continued to caress my entire body. Finian then removed my underwear and deeply massaged my buttocks and testicles. I was turned back over to lay on my back. He then proceeded to masturbate me and performed oral sex on me until I ejaculated. I quickly left, very anxious, confused and frustrated!

**2<sup>nd</sup> Event:**

I felt ashamed and guilty. After three or four days I became angry and felt that Finian had betrayed me. I tried to summon the courage to confront him to TELL HIM OFF!

In early February of 1975 I went back to his room to do this. He was very coy and seemingly apologetic, initially. He was acting like a hurt puppy, was quiet in his demeanor. He was able to switch the subject to a general discussion about sexuality. After a long conversation about priests and sexuality I was convinced by him that his previous sexual abuse of me was a natural expression of love and affection. He indicated that this was a gift that should be expressed, not suppressed!

He turned down the lights and undressed me to my underpants. He then disrobed himself to his underpants. He said I should lay on his bed, where he straddled me and massaged my entire back, buttocks, legs and thighs. He talked softly and again insisted that I enjoy all the sensations, "just let myself go". He talked about erogenous zones, caressing my nipples and stroked my penis and inner thighs, being careful NOT to arouse me to the point of ejaculation.

Finian then suggested that I reciprocate. He took off his underpants and laid beside me. I awkwardly began to rub his stomach, thighs and penis. He sensed I was very uncomfortable, at which he told me to lay back again and relax. He licked and sucked my testicles and penis until I had an orgasm.

**3<sup>rd</sup> Event**

Mid to late February 1975. For the next two weeks or so, I was DEEPLY confused, did not sleep well, couldn't focus on school and seriously questioned my sexuality. I did not know where to turn. I took a HUGE risk in suggesting to a classmate, I would like to give him a backrub and more. The same

type of assault Finian had perpetrated against me. My classmate said no way.

The very next day I saw Finian. I wanted to talk more and try to make sense of this. I kept asking if this is who I really was? Was this right? Why do I feel such tension and anxiety?

Finian said to let nature take its course. He suggested I remove my clothes and he removed his. We were standing naked and embraced. My heart was pounding and I know I was sweating a lot, from my nerves. He tried to kiss me, but I turned away. We laid on the bed. He held me tightly and began thrusting. This thrusting lasted a long time until I had an orgasm and continued to embrace for a time after that. I kept saying that I don't feel right and this is wrong. Finian suggested it will all work out in due time. Again, as a trusted counselor/therapist he violated my trust and continued his manipulation. There is no doubt that he had been grooming me in every way.

I was on the track team. This helped me greatly. It gave me an outlet to try to think clearly. I vowed to avoid Finian at all costs in the weeks and months that followed. I was successful at doing that. I must say that Finian's circle of gay brothers knew of our encounters. I received MANY awkward stares, smiles and suggestive body language from monks. I felt I was being hit on. I remember this occurring at track practice and even at one meet. It was NO coincidence that the monks were there. It was NOT to support the track team, but to "check-out" the boys!

For the next three years every time Finian approached in the refectory, Mary Hall or on campus, I froze and went into a cold sweat. I would get a huge knot in my stomach and often changed directions to get out of his way.

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#### **Tarelton Incident**

The incident with Fr. Tarelton occurred in the late fall of 1977. I lived at the Prep School and was a student prefect. The lounge at the end of the hall was where the abuse by Tarelton occurred. He knew I was a huge professional football fan and watched Monday night football games on TV. On the night of the abuse, I had actually fallen asleep on the couch with the TV on.

I was dressed in gym shorts and a tee shirt. I remember waking up with my shorts pulled down to my knees and Tarelton performing oral sex on me. I remember the strong smell of alcohol and the roughness of his beard on my thighs and stomach. When he noticed I was awake he told me, in his deep soothing voice, to just lay there. I, however, did not. I protested, he tried to settle me down. It did not work and I hurriedly left.

I avoided the lounge and Tarelton as much as possible for the remainder of the year. I do remember a feigned apology from him that took place sometime within a week.

**I lived with this abuse for the next fourteen years. I felt guilty, shameful and at times cursed.** I have had MANY dark days and nights.

In November of 1991, as a teacher at \_\_\_\_\_ school, I solicited two senior boys. It was a devastating and very poor decision on my part. The boys came forward and I admitted the solicitation towards them. I was forced to leave teaching and coaching, a profession I TRULY loved. I realize now, through years of intense counseling, that I did it to act out the sexual abuse I had suffered at the hands of Finian and, to a lesser extent, Tarelton.

As a result, I became a convicted sex felon. Although no contact had occurred, an aggressive and unscrupulous prosecutor was going to make her mark with this landmark trial. For months they investigated, certain I had numerous other victims. NONE emerged. To avoid a possible prison sentence, and for my family's sake, I accepted the plea bargain of 4<sup>th</sup> degree sexual assault. It warranted 10 years probation, no unsupervised contact with minors and counseling. It was a felony conviction.

I had to start a new career and took a 35% pay cut from that of a Catholic High School Teacher! I simply did what had to be done to try to care for my family. My kids, now teenagers, have had to live

with their dad's burden. My son especially has been ridiculed by his classmates, to the point we moved out of our home in . last year to , hoping to give them both a fresh start. Kids can be VERY cruel!

I have had to be careful with this issue with my previous employers. I was terminated from ; in 1998 because of my past. This was of course never admitted by the company, however it was confided to me by my manager. No one wants to work for a convicted sex felon! I worked with a professional recruiter to get an HR job at . in 2002. After being there only six months, I was let go. They never admitted it, but my past was the key cause of my demise. It has been a year since being terminated at . I have had numerous interviews for HR leadership positions. However when I complete employment applications, I must disclose my offense. I often feel totally and utterly rejected by society. I have a SCARLET LETTER pasted on my forehead. I accepted FULL responsibility for my actions back in 1991, yet thirteen years later, this HUGE black mark will NOT go away!

I am very saddened by all of this and do not know if I will ever be rehired. I've explored and researched going into my own business, but this requires a capital investment. I feel almost desperate at this point....I only want to provide for my family, yet our future is very, very uncertain.

I was NOT in a good mental state back in 1993, with the wrapping up of the legal action against me and trying to save my family and get back on track. I foolishly accepted a small judgment from SJU regarding these abuse matters. I am requesting that you set this judgment aside, in order to help me for the abuse I suffered and the TREMENDOUS impact this has had on myself and my family to this very day!

The consequences of my abuse at SJU are undeniable. I know you have taken extraordinary efforts in recent years to rectify the past and offer help to victims. It is my hope that you consider my requests.

Thank you,

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SAINT JOHN'S ABBEY

BOX 2015

COLLEGEVILLE, MINNESOTA 56321-2015

OFFICE OF THE ABBOT

May 1, 2004

Abbot Timothy Kelly, OSB  
President  
American-Cassinese Congregation  
Saint John's Abbey  
Collegeville, MN 56321-2015

Dear Abbot Timothy:

I have asked Father Jonathan Licari, OSB, to act as my canonical counsel in the matter of the request of Father Finian McDonald, OSB. Father Jonathan has agreed to this.

I am currently gathering the documentation that Sister Lynn Marie McKenzie, OSB, Father Finian's canonical advocate, has requested.

Sincerely,



Abbot John Klassen, OSB

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OSB McDONALD\_00495

SAINT JOHN'S ABBEY

BOX 2015

COLLEGEVILLE, MINNESOTA 56321-2015

OFFICE OF THE ABBOT

May 19, 2004

Father Finian MacDonald, OSB  
Saint John's Abbey

Dear Finian:

With this letter I am formally requesting you to comply with the External Review Board's insistence on supervision as outlined to you by Father Dale Launderville at his meeting with you on Thursday, May 13, 2004. Prior Raymond Pedrizetti and Subprior Paul Richards will assist you in making this as humane as we can at this time. Please remember that this is a short term measure that will be in place until we are able to do a current assessment. Father William Skudlarek is in the process of arranging a meeting with the leadership of Project Pathfinders to clarify the process as well as reducing anxiety levels.

Peace,



Abbot John Klassen, OSB

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**OSB McDONALD\_00496**

**Skudlarek, William**

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**From:**  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 27, 2004 5:30 PM  
**To:** Klassen, John  
**Subject:** I help if possible ASAP...

5-27

Dear Abbot John:

Thank you again for meeting with Phyllis and I about 4 weeks ago and allowing me to discuss the incidents of sexual abuse that occurred while I attended SJU. I know you were hoping to get back to me in a couple of weeks; at the same time, I know you have MANY duties and responsibilities as the Abbot and that you are presently out of the country until June 7th.

The last month has been extremely difficult for me and I due to our attempts to become owners of [redacted] provides counseling to adults with chemical dependency and mental illness issues. The practice has been very successful in the past seven years, in meeting client needs. [redacted] is highly regarded by the case managers that refer clients to them

We see this as a GREAT opportunity for [redacted] and I. [redacted] we and practiced in this area years ago. Operating a practice that truly GIVES BACK to the community would be very rewarding to us.

Briefly, the owner has accepted our offer of [redacted] for the business. Through friends, relatives and ourselves, we have scraped together [redacted] and have attempted to seek additional funding this past month, but have been declined three times. This is NOT because of the business financial which are strong. SBA loans require a personal credit check. Since I am unemployed and [redacted] has only very part-time income we do not meet SBA guidelines and can't get the additional funding. We now have only TWO WEEKS to locate other funding sources.

I am wondering if the Abbey (or other contacts you have) could fund a 5 year business loan for (amortized over seven years, with a small balloon payment after 60 months) at an interest rate of 5%.

This would allow us run the business and continue this successful practice!

We are absolutely RUNNING OUT of options. I am more then willing to secure this loan not only with company assets. I have ALL financial information for the past three years to verify this is a solid business opportunity. We have [redacted] personally at stake and am VERY CONFIDENT [redacted] and I will improve the current position of [redacted]. The current owner has NOT been active this past year. There is a great need in the community we serve, we simply need to get the word out. ALL business has been by referral to date!

PLEASE, PLEASE consider my request. or if there is another funding source you know that can help us in this very short period of time!

Thank you in advance. I am anxiously awaiting your reply.

5/27/2004

Sincerely,

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5/27/2004

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**OSB McDONALD\_00498**

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I apologize for the lateness of this response to your request for further assistance. I have shared the request with a number of decision makers in the abbey, trying to position the abbey for a positive response at this time. Unfortunately I have not been successful. Surely my not getting back to you before I went on the trip with the Bible project was due to my conflicted sense of this situation. I want to assure that I have heard your request and I take it seriously.

The simple fact of the matter is that our abbey is in serious financial condition right now. We have run a significant deficit for three years running. We are in mediation right now for further claims against us, our earning power is decreasing with an aging population while health care costs for our elderly members climb. This is the story everywhere, of course – I am not trying to gather your sympathy but rather your understanding.

We do not a                    available for a loan at this time. We do not have those kind of resources. You may have seen a clip on the Saint John's Bible – a 4 million dollar project. This project is not running out of the abbey resources but out of gifts to the University that are specifically designated for this project.

I want to assure you that I am deeply and personally grieved by the impact that the sexually inappropriate acts of my two confreres has had on your life. I will continue in conversation with our leadership to see if something can be worked out to your benefit.

Respectfully, +John

**Skudlarek, William**

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**From:** ]  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 03, 2004 8:43 PM  
**To:** Klassen, John  
**Subject:** Re Need help if possible ASAP...

6-3

Dear Abbot John:

Don't know if you did receive that e-mail I sent 5-27. We are trying to make the deal work. We have been able to renegotiate terms with the seller and now require an additional to close on or before 6-15. I would be willing to pledge my lake property to help guarantee a loan...I know this is a most unusual request and am trying to look for any opportunity to get this deal done. Any suggestions you could offer would be GREATLY appreciated.

If nothing else, I would like to get on your calender to continue our discussions sometime after 6-7. I thank you again for the apology you gave when we met. At the same time, I need to know that you were sincere in your willingness to follow-up with us. Six weeks have past and I was hoping we could have reconnected within that time frame.

I look forward to your reply in the near future.

Respectfully,

wrote:

5-27

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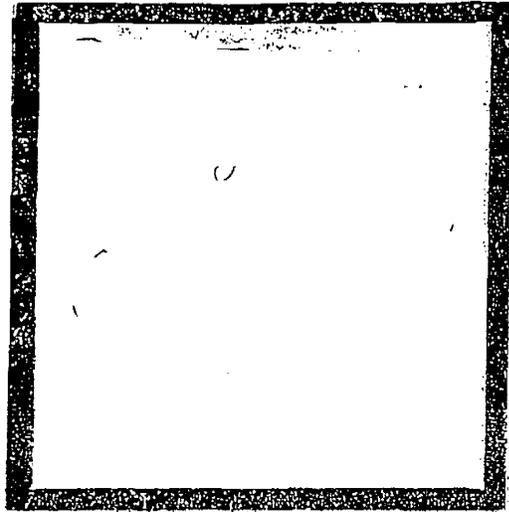
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6/4/2004



October 9, 2004

Dear Abbot John:

Thank you for your offer of extending counseling to my family and myself!

During our transition I have two requests I would like to you consider:

For the next six months help with our monthly living expenses...

Mortgage:	\$1195
2 <sup>nd</sup> Mortgage	840
Car/Gas	250
Food	300
Utilities	300
Health Insurance	650
Total	\$3535

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My \_\_\_\_\_ id would like to attend the U next fall.

I want my kids to participate in the funding of their education through student work and summer employment. With that being said, I am requesting that some assistance can be provided to supplement \_\_\_\_\_ tuition, room and board

SAINT JOHN'S ABBEY

BOX 2015

COLLEGEVILLE, MINNESOTA 56321-2015

OFFICE OF THE ABBOT

October 15, 2004

Br. Benedict Leuthner, OSB  
Saint John's Abbey

Dear Benedict:

Last Saturday I met again with Mr [redacted] after an e-mail from him while I was in Rome. We met at Saint Anthony Parish in Saint Cloud for about an hour. You may recall that [redacted] made a plea for an interest free loan of [redacted] last spring. We told him at that point that we could not help with such an amount.

They found another way to finance the purchase of the counseling business but had to put a double mortgage on their house in the process. They are highly leveraged. Subsequently they have discovered some irregularities in the business that have cost additional funds. Their needs are short term -- six months -- and they come to about \$24,000.

The second request is for assistance for their son [redacted] who wishes to attend the U of M next fall. At this point [redacted] is in no position to help at all.

I wish to explore the first half of the proposal with you because I believe it to be the most important. Assistance to [redacted] at this point does have legal implications and we need to check with Mike Ford and Bob Stich. In the overall scheme of things, I believe that we should assist [redacted] use it will make a huge difference in their lives. Obviously, we need to talk this through for all kinds of reasons.

Blessings and peace,



Abbot John Klassen, OSB

cc: Bradley Jenniges, OSB

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**Holy Name of Jesus  
Catholic Community**

# Fax

To: Albert John, OSB From: Fr. Jonathan, OSB.

Fax: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: 10/22/04

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Pages: \_\_\_\_\_

Re: \_\_\_\_\_ CC: \_\_\_\_\_

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SAINT JOHN'S ABBEY

BOX 2015

COLLEGEVILLE, MINNESOTA 56321-2015

OFFICE OF THE ABBOT

November 8, 2004

Memo to: Senior Council

From: Abbot John Klassen, OSB

Re: Request by a survivor for additional support

Last week I sent you a request for additional funding for a survivor of sexual misconduct by one of our monks. Some background information may be helpful in thinking about his situation.

The inappropriate behavior occurred when he was enrolled at SJU in the early 1970s. He went on to become a teacher at a high school in the Twin Cities. In the early 1990s he himself propositioned two senior students and the cases became public. He was forced out of teaching and ended up pleading guilty to fourth degree sexual misconduct.

After this he worked for a firm at the middle management level. In the face of all the publicity, the company let him go because they were afraid of damage to their business. He retrained as a Human Resources professional and was hired by a big company. He was doing very well but the company hit some economic difficulties and since he was one of the last hired, he was among the first released. Since that time (over two years ago) he has been trying to get a position as an HR person but as soon potential employers see his resume with the sexual offense, he is not called back for interviews.

, he and his wife purchased a counseling service. He is completely in the background as an assistant. He is requesting \$3535/month for the next six months (\$21,120) to help him and his family through a very difficult financial pinch. The counseling service had some additional expenses that were not apparent at the time of the purchase. At this time, he and his spouse do have a fairly good read on income and expenses.

I regard this assistance as an issue of charity and justice. While he takes responsibility for his inappropriate behavior, there is strong evidence to suggest that his inappropriate behavior was caused in some degree by what he experienced here at Saint John's. In addition, we settled with this individual in the mid-1990s for a modest amount of money ( ). If we provide the assistance that is being requested, it would go a long way toward stabilizing this family.

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OSB McDONALD\_00510

SAINT JOHN'S ABBEY

BOX 2015

COLLEGEVILLE, MINNESOTA 56321-2015

OFFICE OF THE ABBOT

November 11, 2004

Bruce L. Kerber, M.S.W., LICSW  
Alpha Human Services  
2712 Fremont Avenue South  
Minneapolis, MN 55408-1198

Dear Mr. Kerber

This letter is to acknowledge your letter of October 22, 2004 regarding our agreement to provide therapy for \_\_\_\_\_ with this letter Saint John's Abbey is agreeing to pay for therapy for \_\_\_\_\_ d/or members of his family for a period of one year dating from October 1, 2004, with an evaluation at that time as to whether further therapy is required. I imagine a conversation with you, only with \_\_\_\_\_ ritten permission to do so.

You mention in your letter a bill for \$171.36 for two session with on October 4 and 20, respectively. I checked with our Business Office and you should have received payment for these at this time.

If you have any further questions on this matter please do not hesitate to give me a call.

Sincerely,



Abbot John Klassen, OSB

cc:

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November 17, 2004

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Br. Kelly Ryan, OSB  
Secretary, Office of the Abbott  
Saint John's Abbey  
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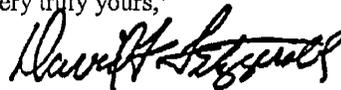
Dan Gerhan, Esq.  
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90 South Seventh Street  
Minneapolis, MN 55402

Re: Finian McDonald, OSB, monk of Saint John's Abbey – Canonical Advocacy  
My file PRBN/000845

Dear Parties and Representatives:

Enclosed for your information is a copy of my curriculum vitae.

Very truly yours,



David F. Fitzgerald, Conciliator

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Enclosure

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## DAVID F. FITZGERALD

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### Areas of Practice

Corporate and Commercial Litigation  
Products Liability and Aircraft Litigation  
Personal Injury Litigation  
Agents and Brokers Liability Litigation  
Insurance Coverage Issues

### Education

Georgetown University; B.S.S., J.D.

David Fitzgerald is a Rule 114 Qualified Neutral. Active in civil litigation for 37 years, he now concentrates his practice in alternative dispute resolution. His areas of experience in litigation include commercial and corporate, personal injury, insurance coverage, professional liability, aviation and products liability.

Mr. Fitzgerald is active in several professional organizations. He is a fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers and the International Society of Barristers. A diplomat of the American Board of Trial Advocacy, he served as president of the Minnesota Chapter in 1982. He is a member of the International Association of Defense Council and served as faculty at the International Association Trial Academy in Boulder, Colorado in 1984. He is a member of the Defense Research Institute and Trial Lawyers Association, where he has served as regional vice president, director, and chairman of the Local Defense Association Committee, and a member of the American Arbitration Association.

Listed in *Best Lawyers in America* since 1986, he serves locally and nationally on panels of CDR, AAA, and DRI. He has written publications connected with ADR including the chapter on products liability for the MSBA 1998 ADR Desk Reference. A frequent CLE lecturer on alternative dispute resolution, personal injury liability, products liability, and insurance coverage issues, he presented *Mediating the Multi-Party and Complex Litigation Case* at the MSBA Law Center in November of 1998.

An active member of the community, Mr. Fitzgerald is the conciliator for the Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis Conciliation Council.

SAINT JOHN'S ABBEY

BOX 2015

COLLEGEVILLE, MINNESOTA 56321-2015

OFFICE OF THE ABBOT

January 13, 2005

Father Finian McDonald, OSB  
Saint John's Abbey

Dear Finian:

At our conciliation meeting on November 22, 2004 I promised to write a letter of apology to you. With this letter I hope that I am fulfilling that promise.

I apologize to you for the way in which I handled the situation last spring. I should have met with you and explained clearly to you that I needed to share your file with the Review Board.

I apologize to you for not arranging for your review of your file before I shared it with the Review Board.

I apologize to you for the mistake I made in not detecting your safety plan from Saint Luke's, the evaluation from Hazelden, and the letter you wrote to Father Dan Ward. I don't know how I overlooked these documents. I can say with absolute truth that all of these were in the file and were not gotten from somewhere else.

I also can assure that you that I was not acting vindictively towards you but out of a need to act for the greater good of Saint John's Abbey. I am sorry for the emotional and spiritual anxiety that this situation has caused you.

Sincerely,



Abbot John Klassen, OSB

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OSB McDONALD\_00514

**Abbot John Klassen's private account**

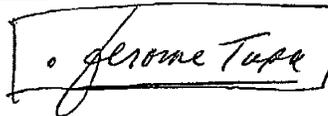
**From:** McDonald, Finian  
**Sent:** Monday, January 24, 2005 1:07 PM  
**To:** McDonald, Finian; Abbot John Klassen's private account  
**Cc:** Pedrizetti, Raymond  
**Subject:** RE:

Abbot John; I'm just wondering where you are with this request...I realize that you have many other things on your plate (including my 'portions') but I would like to get in totch with Mel as he waiting on my schedule. I would also like to get as cheap a flight as possible...and to arrange other responsibilities here which have to be handled in my absence. I'm thinking of the schedule below unless you have other suggestions.  
 Thank you...finian

**From:** McDonald, Finian  
**Sent:** Sat 1/15/2005 4:13 PM  
**To:** Abbot John Klassen's private account  
**Cc:** Pedrizetti, Raymond  
**Subject:** RE:

Abbot John: I'm attaching this to a previous e-mail of yours..I just can't catch on about how to use your private account. Anyway, I trust by this time you have heard from Father Mel asking for me to help him out in this "pre-phase" of preparing to leave St. Augustines. I was really pleased when he asked me if I was interested...as you know, this monastery has been very special to me during my various assignments to serve there. I was helpful when I assisted Brother David Klingeman when we recently sorted out their archives...besides the general work of preparing to leave and to be of whatever assistance that I can be, I have some knowledge of the artifacts that could be returned to St. John's. My tentative plan and suggestion is to leave for Nassau on Feb 2nd and return March 22nd...this would bring me back here at the beginning of Holy Week to decorate the abbey church, arranging flowers, and to be of help to the sacristy crew for the many details of Holy Week. American Airlines is presently offering a fantastic fare of \$402.15 for this round trip and this includes the tax...this price is for the dates indicated above. I would also be interested in helping with those final weeks of June if this is still a possibility. It would be an honor to help out at this magnificent place and to visit the people, the Island, and this very special monastery before we leave. I realize that we have other issues in process, but I thought this could be requested as a seperate request. If asked, I would be willing to give the recovery support systems and people which I have previously relied on during my stay on the Island. Sincerely, Finian

**From:** Abbot John Klassen's private account  
**Sent:** Wed 12/1/2004 9:47 PM  
**To:** McDonald, Finian  
**Subject:** RE:



Dear Finian – I apologize for this delay – I have been snowed under with stuff. You have permission and blessing for this vacation trip. +John

-----Original Message-----

**From:** McDonald, Finian  
**Sent:** Wednesday, December 01, 2004 4:00 PM  
**To:** JBK@csbsju.edu  
**Subject:**

Abbot John: This note is to remind you of the change of location for my suggested stay in NYC...The Paulists have closed their 'bed and breakfast' arrangement for visiting priests and firemen...it was just too

2/2/2005

**OSB McDONALD\_00515**

popular and was having its impact on their small community. So substitute Newark Abbey instead of the Paulists on 59th in that section of my letter requesting vacation time starting Dec 9th. I just called Melvin V at Newark asking him if they have room should you approve my proposal and he said that they would be very happy to have me. I await your reply. Finian

2/2/2005

**OSB McDONALD\_00516**

SAINT JOHN'S ABBEY

BOX 2015

COLLEGEVILLE, MINNESOTA 56321-2015

OFFICE OF THE ABBOT

February 3, 2005

Father Finian McDonald, OSB  
Saint John's Abbey

Dear Finian:

I must deny your request to go the Bahamas to work with Prior Mel to get ready for closing the monastery. Without a current risk assessment and safety plan in place I could not justify the decision even though I know you would be of incredible assistance to the monks there. Finian, the community and I need you to participate in the risk assessment process with Project Pathfinders now. When I said that your participation could wait I meant until after the November conciliation.

As you know, Finian, you are not being singled out for this request for risk assessment and the development of an up-to-date safety plan. On Tuesday, December 21 the monastic chapter voted overwhelmingly in support of our full participation in the Hope and Healing process developed by Praesidium Religious Services. The Hope and Healing program includes twenty-eight standards that define a commitment to the protection of those to whom we minister. All religious communities in this country are holding themselves to these standards. While these National Standards require the development of a risk assessment and a safety plan for anyone who has been sexually inappropriate with a minor, we are surrounded by students: the Preps up on the hill to the east, the University residences on the north side, and the School of Theology to the west who must have our commitment to their safety.

Your full participation in the Project Pathfinder process is very important, both in individual interviews and with the full group of confrere participants. This is also an opportunity for you to bring whatever fears you have into the context of the process. With this letter I am officially requesting such full participation under holy obedience. This is not about me. The entire community needs you to participate. Please let me know of your intentions by Monday, February 7, 2005.

Sincerely,



Abbot John Klassen, OSB

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OSB McDONALD\_00517

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February 6, 2005

Abbot John Klassen, OSB  
Saint John's Abbey  
Box 2015  
Collegeville, MN 56321-2015

RE: Finian McDonald, OSB -- your letter to him of Feb. 3, 2005

Dear Abbot John:

Father Finian has relayed to me your letter of February 3, 2005 to him in which you state that "With this letter I am officially requesting such full participation [in the Project Pathfinder process] under holy obedience." I was surprised to read this directive from you for two reasons. One is that Father Finian's canonical process is still pending, now in Rome, and Finian had told me that you agreed to put off Project Pathfinders until that process was complete. But, more important than the fact that the recourse is still pending in Rome is the fact that it has been the constant position of the Apostolic See and canon 630§5 explicitly states that "superiors are forbidden to induce the members in any way to make a manifestation of conscience to them."

I have advised Finian that he has a canonical right not to follow your directive. Please understand that it is really Finian's desire not to be a difficult member. However, in conscience, he has a right not to take part in the Project Pathfinders process.

I hope that you understand that I respect your authority and your position, but must object to this decision. Please understand that this Pathfinders process is one of a number of points that has been raised in Father Finian's recourse to the Congregation for Institutes of Consecrated Life and Societies of Apostolic Life at the Vatican. I do not know how long it will be before CICLSAL rules on Finian's recourse, but we will await that decision.

Sincerely,



S. Lynn Marie McKenzie

**Abbot John Klassen's private account**

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**From:** McDonald, Finian  
**Sent:** Monday, March 21, 2005 8:28 AM  
**To:** JBK@csbsju.edu  
**Cc:** Pedrizetti, Raymond  
**Subject:** permission

Abbot John: I have discussed this request with Father Prior ...he approves the plan but thought it best if it be run by you for your final approval. Brother David Manahan will be staying with Dan Ward in Washington from April 12 until April 19th. I would like to request that I go to Silver Springs and stay with Dan at the same time David is there and return to Collegeville with him on April the 19th. I would like to set up appointments at St. Luke's to talk with Brad, my former primary therapist, and with Father Ken Phillips, Director of Post Treatment Programs. These are two people who have been very important for me in both my treatment and post recovery program. This is a special time for me in my recovery, healing and hope process and I would value their suggestions and support for my decisions. Father Dan would be happy to have me with him and it would also be a time for me to have conversation and to receive further counsel from Dan, my legal advisor. I would like to be able to get a good price on air tickets in order to coincide with David's, and I would like to set up appointments with Brad and Father Ken ...thank you for a prompt decision. Fr. Finian, OSB

3/24/2005

**OSB McDONALD\_00519**

**Abbot John Klassen's private account**

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**From:** Abbot John Klassen's private account  
**Sent:** Saturday, August 13, 2005 9:46 AM  
**To:** McDonald, Finian  
**Subject:** RE: News from St. Augustine

Hello Finian –

I have returned from the CMSM meeting in Phoenix (hot, hot, hot) and have begun the process of digging out.

Thank you for your e-mail. You are certainly right about the incredible beauty of Fox Hill, the location, the chapel and the work of Jerome Haws. I was struck by it the very first time I visited in spring of 2000 – it blew me away that this island country, so resource poor until very recently, should have the gift of such architecture. What a gift Jerome Haws made to the Bahamian people. And that such beautiful architecture should also be a place of refuge during the worst storms imaginable during the hurricane season. I have never lived through one of these but when I speak to Bob Pierson, Dan Ward, or Mel, I get a sense of the stress and danger of being in one of these.

I have so many precious memories of praying together in a small group of two or three or four in the crypt – such fidelity to the Divine Office – and then to remember as you do, the Work of God done by all of our monks in that chapel. It is truly a beautiful, contemplative place.

That you see Tony everywhere – such a dear friend to you and such a loss at a relatively young age. He was a good man and did an enormous amount of good for BUC, which the Omega company and many students are still benefitting from. I only wish that when CSB-SJU had pulled out of the program, there had been much greater continuity with Omega and that the computer and other equipment would not have been sold, probably for a song. We did not do a good job with the transition – it was much too quick.

If you can get a good photograph of the plaque at the the Cathedral church I would much appreciate it. It is a beautiful tribute to our community and all the monks who served in the Bahamas. When it wa unveiled I did not have a camera with and besides it was already getting dark.

I know on some level how much this place means to you, and my earlier denial of your request was not in a spirit of meanness but trying to do the right thing, to balance many demands and forces. Peace and blessing on you, George and Mel. +John

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**From:** McDonald, Finian  
**Sent:** Monday, August 08, 2005 9:22 AM  
**To:** jbk@csbsju.edu  
**Subject:** News from St. Augustine

Abbot John: I thought of our community when Mel, George, and I had morning prayer this morning. It brought back so many memories of this magnificent little chapel and the people that lived and prayed here. My love of Jerome Haws is still very appreciative of his skills...The Priory and grounds were still as beautiful for me as ever..of course I see Tony everywhere. It was a good trip back...that Orlando airport is still somethat of a zoo when it comes to International transfer...I was glad I was with George..even 'know it all ' Finian had a difficult time. I'm very appreciative of your permission for me to be here...I didn't realize has important and restorative this sacred hill is to me...it's a gift to be here for the last time..In fact that is exactly what my camera eye is doing ..seeing everything with wonder and finality. After attending Mass yesterday at St. Anselm's with Preston Moss presiding, I went to Cabbage beach and just walked up and down the entire length, floated in the warm water, and marveled at the many hued blue water. The Liturgy at St. Anselms was a celebration and a half. Preston has all the qualities of the masterful showman when he presides from his 'chair'..the people sang, the ladies hats

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**OSB McDONALD\_00520**

were bigger than usual and all in all it was simply grand. George is glad to be back...and many remark about your being at the celebration at the Cathedral a few weeks ago..the plaque outside is very impressive and a wonderful way for St. John's to be remembered. Anyway, I just wanted to thank you for this opportunity. I'm having chats with two old members of my support team...and being in a good place in my recovery is just too important right now to me.....so I'm doing what I have to do to stay in health. Thanks for your cautions and support. Again, I'm grateful, for your allowing me this opportunity. Hope your visit with the other Religious superiors was a good one....peace ...finian

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OSB McDONALD\_00521



Saint  
Luke

INSTITUTE

August 19, 2005

VIA FAX  
320-363-3082

CONFIDENTIAL

Abbot John Klassen, OSB  
St. John's Abbey  
Collegeville, MD

Re: Fr. Finian McDonald  
SLI# 12647

Dear Abbot Klassen:

Following are the copies you requested:

Authorization to Release Information to Abbot Jonathan Licari from October 1992  
Authorization to Release Information to Abbot Timothy Kelly from August 1999  
Blank format of Authorization to Release Records currently in use at SLI

Should we be able to help in any other matter, please feel free to contact us.

Sincerely,

Linda Crawford  
Saint Luke Institute  
Medical Record Department

8901 New Hampshire Avenue  
Silver Spring, MD 20903-3611  
Tel. 301-445-7970  
Fax. 301-422-5400  
www.sli.org

If this fax fails in transmission, please call 301-422-5580.

Affiliated with Ascension Health

OSB McDONALD\_00522

**Update**  
31 August 2005

**ID M0113**

**Last Name** McDonald  
**First Name (Religious Name)** Finian

**Date of Birth**  
23 December 1928

**Date of First Profession** 11 July 1956  
**Date of Final Profession** 11 July 1959  
**Date of Ordination** 2 June 1962

### **EDUCATION**

A.A. 1948 University of Minnesota ( )  
Minneapolis, Minnesota

B.A. 1956 St. John's University (Philosophy)

Ordination 1962 St. John's University (Divinity)

M. Ed. Psychology 1971 Boston College  
Boston, Massachusetts

Advanced Certificate Psychiatric Counseling  
Georgetown, Washington D.C.

### **ASSIGNMENTS**

Pastoral Associate  
Holy Family Mission  
Cloquet, Minnesota 1962; 1963 (Summers)

3<sup>rd</sup> Benet Hall Prefect  
St. John's University 1962 – 1963

Director of Special Events  
St. John's University 1962 – 1963

Dean of Men  
St. John's University 1963 – 1967

Ground Floor Benet Prefect  
St. John's University 1963 – 1967

Freshman Academic Director St. John's University	1963 – 1967
Director of Business Placement St. John's University	1963 – 1967
Director of Counseling St. John's University	1968 – 1971
Counseling Center Staff St. John's University	1968 – 1980
Director of Counseling St. John's University	1980 – 1982
Faculty Resident (2 <sup>nd</sup> Patrick) St. John's University	1980 – 1982
Sabbatical Year Japan and Israel	1982 – 1983
Director of Academic Advising St. John's University	1983 – 1988
Missionary/Monk St. Anselm's Priory Tokyo, Japan	1988 – 1992
Abbey Personnel Liaison St. John's Abbey	1993 – 1998
Missionary Monk St. Augustine's Monastery	1998 (August 15 - January 7, 1999) 2000 (February 15 – April 15)
Missionary Monk Holy Trinity Priory Fujimi, Japan	1999 (January 26 – June 30)
Sacristy and barbering Saint John's Abbey	1999 - present

**COMMUNITY SERVICE AND EXPERIENCES OF LEADERSHIP:**

Head Barber  
St. John's Abbey                      1963 - present

Assistant Sacristan  
St. John's Abbey                      1992 - present

**INTERESTS OR HOBBIES**

Gardening  
Environmental Design and Decorations  
Flower Arrangement  
Bicycling  
Clowning  
Resident Abbey Humorist

**AWARDS**

**SOME DAY I WOULD LIKE TO HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO:**

**MY MAIN ASPIRATION OR FAVORITE DREAM IN LIFE IS TO:**

**SOME SIGNIFICANT PERSONAL GROWTH EXPERIENCES ARE:**



CONGRÉGAZIONE  
PER GLI ISTITUTI DI VITA CONSACRATA  
E LE SOCIETÀ DI VITA APOSTOLICA

Vatican, 7 March 2006

Prot. n. 39038/2005

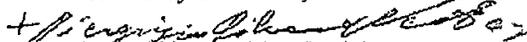
Dear Abbot Klassen,

Thank you for having forwarded the information regarding the case of Fr. Finian McDonald.

Enclosed you will find the response of this Congregation for Institutes of Consecrated Life and Societies of Apostolic Life to the recourse presented by Fr. Finian McDonald, OSB.

May the Lord abundantly bless you and all the monks of St. John's Abbey during this holy season of Lent.

Sincerely in Christ,

  
+Piergiorgio Silvano Nesti, C.P.  
Archbishop Secretary

*Enclosure:*

Abbot John Klassen, OSB  
St. John's Abbey  
Box 2015  
Collegeville, Minnesota 56321-2015  
USA



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**RESPONSE TO RECOURSE PRESENTED BY  
FR. FINIAN MCDONALD**

**Facts.**

In the early 1990's, Fr Finian McDonald, a Benedictine monk of St John's Abbey was accused of illicit sexual relationships with adults. He participated in a residential program and a five year after care program.

Following the Sexual Abuse Scandal in 2002 The Abbot, John Klassen, chose to review all cases of monks accused of sexual abuse. Following this review, Fr. Finian was placed on house restriction. According to Fr. Finian the restrictions were the same for those who abused adults as for those who abused minors.

**Establishment of External Review Board**

In January 2004 all monks accused of sexual activity were called to meet with Abbot Klassen. Fr. Finian states that the Abbot insisted that these monks give permission to have their files released to the External Review Board. Fr. McDonald refused to give permission

Fr McDonald received a letter from Abbot Klassen, dated February 13 2004, in which the Abbot describes a 4 step program for those accused of abuse: 1. they were to share their file with members of the External Review Board; 2 they were to meet with certain members of Board; 3. there was to be a current assessment using objective tests; 4. in view of the above, a supervisory plan was to be developed. On February 21, 2004, Fr. McDonald sent a letter to Abbot Klassen reiterating his refusal to grant permission to release his files to the Review Board

Fr. Finian presented recourse to the Abbot President, Timothy Kelly in March of 2004. In November of 2004 he participated in a mediation process which proved to be unsuccessful. In February 2005 he presented recourse to Abbot Timothy Kelly who along with Fr. Finian's canon lawyer at the time of his treatment, Fr. Daniel Ward, OSB, recused themselves from the case. The recourse was forwarded to this Congregation for Institutes of Consecrated Life and Societies of Apostolic Life.

**The recourse seeks the following:**

1. A finding that Fr. McDonald's rights have been violated
2. An order that Abbot Klassen and his successors may no longer release psychological data from any monk's file without the prior written consent of the monk.
3. Removal of all restrictions on Fr. McDonald's ministry and movement
4. No further evaluation and or treatment by Pathfinders or other facilities since it would require him to manifest his conscience in violation of Canon 630§5.
5. Reconstitution of the Review Board.
- 6 Admission that Abbey has gone beyond the requirements of Essential Norms

**The Law**

1. Admission that his rights have been violated
2. No release of files without written consent

*Can. 220 No one may unlawfully harm the good reputation which a person enjoys, or violate the right of every person to protect his or her privacy.*

*Can. 223 §1 In exercising their rights, Christ's faithful, both individually and in associations, must take account of the common good of the Church, as well as the rights of others and their own duties to others.*

The release of the contents of Fr. McDonald's file to the External Review Board after he had twice informed the Abbot that he did not give his consent to the release of the file (following January meeting & February 21, 2004 letter to Abbot Klassen), even if done in consideration of the common good, was a violation of Fr. McDonald's right to protect his privacy and an error in judgment on the part of the Abbot.

The fact that information regarding Fr. Finian's alleged abuse had been brought into the external forum through the settlement negotiations and later media coverage does not mean that it could, or should, have been made available to anyone, not already familiar with it, without his explicit consent.

In a letter to Fr. Finian (January 13, 2005), Abbot Klassen apologizes for the error made in handing over contents of the file without first having discussed the matter with Fr. McDonald.

It has been noted that in the minutes of the Senior Council meeting of April 6, 2004 it was stated that "Any access to a monk's personal file will not contain reports from treatment centers, other health reports will be released with the monk's signature."

### 3. Removal of all restrictions

*Canon 1341 §2 In the case of behavior which gives rise to scandal or serious disturbance of public order, the Ordinary can also correct the person, in a way appropriate to the particular conditions of the person and of what has been done.*

*1342§2 Perpetual penalties cannot be imposed or declared by means of a decree; nor can penalties which the law or precept establishing them forbids to be applied by decree.*

*Canon 630§5 The members are to approach their superiors with trust and be able to open their minds freely and spontaneously to them. Superiors, however, are forbidden in any way to induce the members to make a manifestation of conscience to themselves.*

In the light of the present climate regarding sexual abuse and taking into account the media coverage of the abuse involving monks of St. John's Abbey, Abbot Klassen had the right, if not the duty, to re-study all cases involving any sexual misconduct as did all Ordinaries and Major Superiors. The proximity of the Abbey to both a Preparatory School and a University requires close vigilance.

The Abbot has the right to impose restrictions on members under his jurisdiction, however, the restrictions imposed must be in proportion to the offense committed. The expressed goal of Project Pathfinders is that of determining an individual supervisory plan after a thorough examination of the facts regarding each case. In refusing to take part in this program Fr. McDonald is subject to the restrictions placed upon him by his legitimate superiors.

The restrictions imposed, however, should not be perpetual. The duration of the restriction should be part of the communication of the restriction, subject to periodic reconsideration and re-evaluation.

#### **4. No further evaluations or treatments**

In the opinion of this Dicastery, the questions which appear on the evaluative instrument of the Project Pathfinder program do seem to constitute a violation of the right to privacy and do seek what might be interpreted as a manifestation of conscience. Even if, with research, one could find the material sought in the external forum.

While superiors can encourage subjects to undergo a treatment program they cannot require them to do so under obedience as seems to be indicated in Abbot Klassen's February 3, 2005 letter to Fr. McDonald

#### **5. Reconstitution of the Review Board**

#### **6. Admission that Abbey has gone beyond the requirements of Essential Norms**

The Essential Norms published by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops in 2002 and revised in 2005 have received the recognition from the Holy See. The Conference of Major Superiors of Men has chosen to follow the Standards presented in the Hope and Healing Program developed by Praesidium Services as a means of responding to the call accountability regarding cases of sexual abuse.

#### **ESSENTIAL NORMS**

*4 To assist diocesan/eparchial bishops, each diocese/eparchy will also have a review board which will function as a confidential consultative body to the bishop/eparch in discharging his responsibilities. The functions of this board may include*

- A. advising the diocesan bishop/eparch in his assessment of allegations of sexual abuse of minors and in his determination of suitability for ministry;*
- B. reviewing diocesan/eparchial policies for dealing with sexual abuse of minors; and*
- C. offering advice on all aspects of these cases, whether retrospectively or prospectively.*

5. *The review board, established by the diocesan/eparchial bishop, will be composed of at least five persons of outstanding integrity and good judgment in full communion with the Church. The majority of the review board members will be lay persons who are not in the employ of the diocese/eparchy; but at least one member should be a priest who is an experienced and respected pastor of the diocese/eparchy in question, and at least one member should have particular expertise in the treatment of the sexual abuse of minors. The members will be appointed for a term of five years, which can be renewed. It is desirable that the Promoter of Justice participate in the meetings of the review board.*

#### **Standard 20 Instruments of Hope and Healing**

*The Institute will utilize a Review Board for the purpose of providing advice to Major Superiors on the response to incidents and allegations of sexual abuse of minors.*

#### **By-Laws of St John's Abbey External Review Board.**

*"The Abbot charges the board and vests authority in it to help him..." "In making his decisions, the Abbot takes into consideration the diverse perspectives and points of view..." "the Board does not have authority to replace, supplant or in any way diminish the Abbot's sole authority and responsibility." (Excerpts from By-Laws 5-15-04.*

The Abbot has the right and now the duty to establish a Review Board. The method which he and his council choose to constitute the Board is to be considered an internal matter at the discretion of the Major Superior.

Both the *Essential Norms* and *The Instruments of Hope and Healing* serve to determine the minimum requirements to insure the safety of minors. A Major Superior, if he so chooses, can go beyond these minimums requirements, provided that the rights of individuals are respected. If indeed the Abbey has gone beyond the minimum, that choice remains under the jurisdiction of those entrusted with the governance of the Abbey.

## CONCLUSIONS

Following a study of the information submitted, this Congregation for Institutes of Consecrated Life and Societies of Apostolic Life finds That:

Fr. McDonald's right to privacy was violated in the handing over of his file to the External Review Board without his consent.

In the future, no information contained in a monk's file, is to be released to third parties without the expressed written permission of the monk in question.

While it might be both to his benefit and to that of the Abbey to participate in a program such as Project Pathfinders, no monk can be required to do so under obedience.

The Abbot has the right to seek council regarding abuses committed by those under his authority and to impose the restrictions which he deems most suitable in the light of counsel received. All restrictions however must have a specified time limit after which the situation which prompted the restriction is to be reviewed.

The Abbot has the authority to determine the make up of an Advisory Review Board and the criteria used to choose members.

In the interest of the common good, the Abbot can determine to what extent the External Review Board is to be used in its Advisory capacity.

Vatican, 7 March 2006

*Sor. V. Bertolone S.S.P.*  
Sac. Vincenzo Bertolone, S.d.P.

Undersecretary

*+ Piergiorgio Silvano Nesti*  
+Piergiorgio Silvano Nesti, C.P.

Archbishop Secretary

**Skudlarek, William**

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**From:** Naughton, Michael  
**Sent:** Monday, March 27, 2006 3:55 AM  
**To:** Klassen, John  
**Cc:** Naughton, Michael  
**Subject:** Case

Abbot John,

The case concerning Fr. Finian has been completed.

There is a copy for you and a copy for Finian. They are the same except for the cover letters, which contain no details of the case.

I will send you a .pdf (Acrobat) file of the contents, and mail the originals, one to you and one directly to Finian.

Two questions:

1. Should I send a .pdf copy also to Abbot Timothy?
2. Should I send a .pdf copy to Finian?

Thanks,

Michael

3/27/2006

**OSB McDONALD\_00533**

April 7, 2006

Father Finian McDonald, OSB  
Saint John's Abbey

Dear Finian:

I wish to take this opportunity to thank you for you for the fine service that you did for the community and for me in going to the Bahamas to help Mel, to prepare the 90<sup>th</sup> birthday party celebration for Father George, and for helping George make the trip back up to Minnesota.

Truly, you were the perfect person to respond to these needs: you know the Bahamian and Saint Augustine's Monastery culture well. You know most of the people who would be coming and how to throw a good party for this special celebration for George. Finally, you were able to help George accept this difficult transition with grace and courage. Thank you, Finian, for this excellent service.

In this context, I visited George on the day after he arrived here. It was clear that he hadn't really moved in yet. Would you be willing to occasionally check in with George, to give him a hand with what he doesn't know about the place, and to help him get what he needs to live here? He may not be very good at asking for help – it's a guy thing – but I would appreciate whatever assistance you can give him in this regard.

Blessings and peace,

Abbot John Klassen, OSB



Finian poses with his orchids.

## Finian McDonald, OSB, Is Hooked on Orchids

by Daniel Durken, OSB

*How does a person get addicted to orchids?*

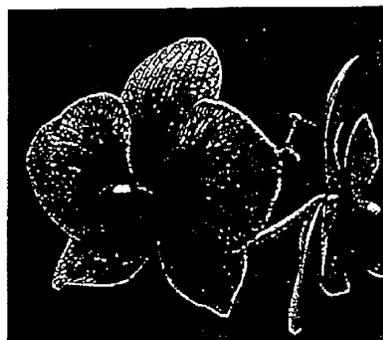
**F**ather Finian, caretaker of some 250 orchids at Saint John's, explains the addiction to orchids: "It began with the acquiring of a single orchid. Attracted by the variety and beauty of this stately flower, I soon added another orchid, then another and another. Friends and

neighbors heard I had a few orchids and asked me to take care of one that wasn't blooming any more and was ready to be discarded. By this time I had learned how to spoil an orchid while the orchid spoiled me. And soon I was hooked on orchids."

Acquiring his first orchid three years ago, Finian kept it in his small monastic cell with only one north window on the fifth floor of the Quadrangle. He noticed that Home Depot and Target stores were selling blossoming and non-blooming orchids which he was able to obtain free of charge or at a reduced rate. Few people have the patience to wait a whole year for the orchid to bloom again even though the original flower stays fresh for twelve to fifteen weeks.

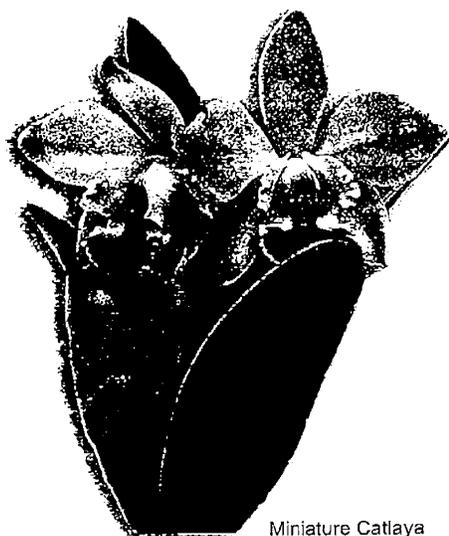
Shopping for orchids at these stores and the gifts from friends soon created a crisis. With almost one hundred orchids jostling for space and with all of his electrical outlets supplying light to his usually dimly lit room, Finian

concluded, "Either the orchids have to move or I have to move. There just isn't any more room for both them and me."



The Phalaenopsis. Omaide Pink Orchid

Not wishing to sleep in the corridor outside his room, Finian acquired space for his orchids in the Saint John's University greenhouse under the care of Susanna Hynes and **Brother Urban Pieper, OSB**. There he is able to give attention to his collection of 250 orchids, making this the largest private orchid collection in the Midwest. For old time's sake



Miniature Cattleya

he keeps about fifteen orchids in his monastery room.

But orchids are too beautiful and precious to be kept for oneself. So Finian distributes his orchid blossoms to high traffic offices in the Quadrangle such as the Health Center, Academic Advising, Student Accounts, Information Desk in the Great Hall, Registrar's Office, and the abbey refectory, recreation rooms and church.

Finian is a member of both the American and the Minnesota Orchid Societies. He occasionally attends the monthly meeting of the Minnesota group at Bachman's in the Twin Cities. At one such session he learned that there are forty-three orchids native to the state of Minnesota including the lady slipper orchid which is the state flower. Sixty exhibitors will showcase their prize orchids at the 26th New York International Orchid Show hosted April 20-23, 2006, by and at the Rink at Rockefeller Center.

Readers who would like to contribute old or new orchids to the abbey and university collection or who want further information about the care of orchids may contact Finian at [fmcdonald@csbsju.edu](mailto:fmcdonald@csbsju.edu). +

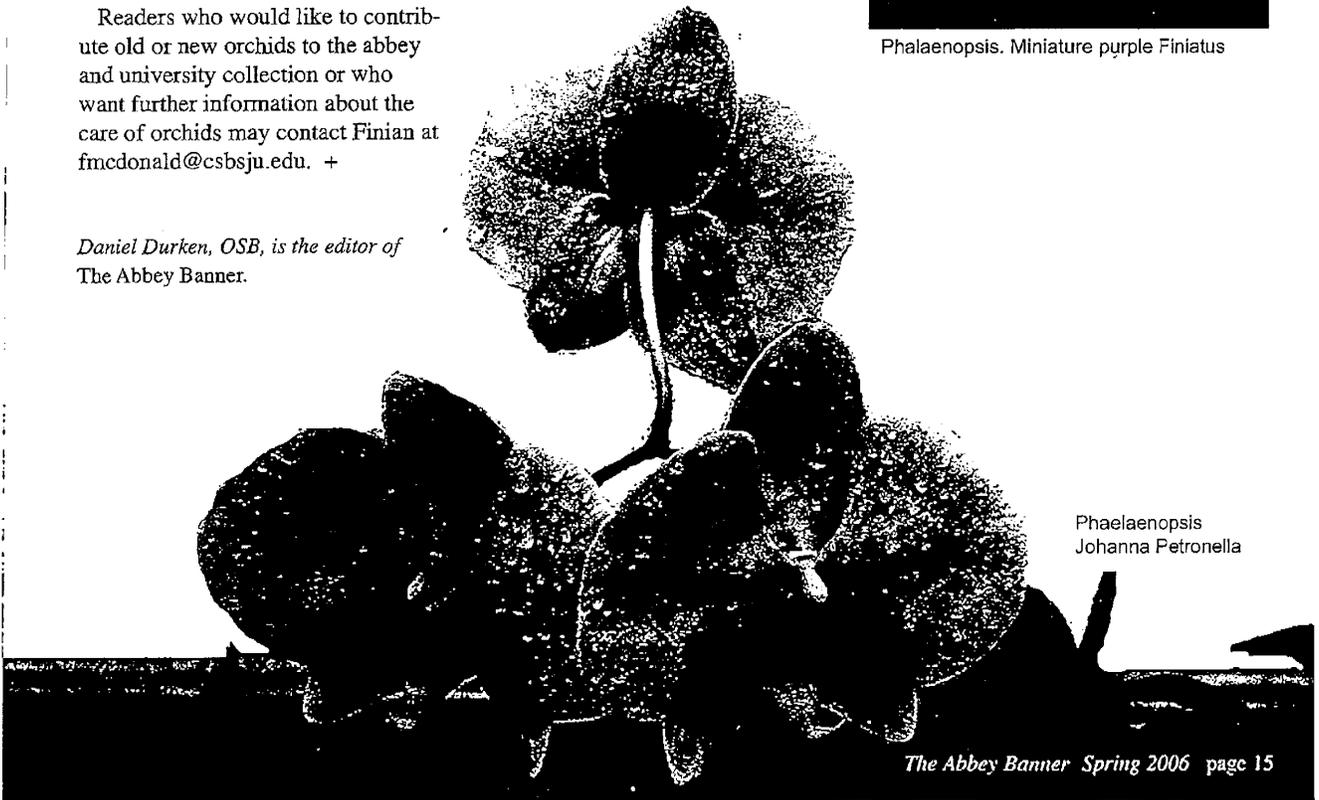
*Daniel Durken, OSB, is the editor of The Abbey Banner.*



Left, Paphopedilum, Jade Enchantment  
Above, Dendrobium densiflorum/white



Phalaenopsis, Miniature purple Finiatus



Phalaenopsis  
Johanna Petronella

STATE OF MINNESOTA

DISTRICT COURT

COUNTY OF STEARNS

SEVENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

John Doe HK,

Court File No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Plaintiff,

vs.

SUMMONS

The Order of St. Benedict of the  
Roman Catholic Church a/k/a St.  
John's Abbey, Father Bruce  
Wollmering, Brother John Kelly, and  
Father Finnian McDonald,

Defendants

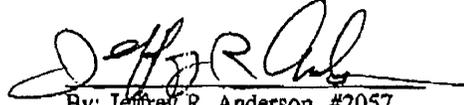
THE STATE OF MINNESOTA TO THE ABOVE-NAMED DEFENDANTS:

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED and required to serve upon Plaintiff's attorneys an Answer to the Complaint which is herewith served upon you within twenty (20) days after service of this Summons upon you, exclusive of the day of service. If you fail to do so, judgment by default will be taken against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

This case may be subject to Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) process under Rule 114 of the General Rules of Practice for the District Courts. The court administrator or your attorney can provide you with information about ADR options and a list of neutrals available in your area. ADR does not affect your obligation to respond to the Summons and Complaint within twenty (20) days.

Dated: 5/12/06

JEFF ANDERSON & ASSOCIATES, P.A.



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STATE OF MINNESOTA  
COUNTY OF STEARNS

DISTRICT COURT  
SEVENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

\_\_\_\_\_  
John Doe HK,

Court File No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Plaintiff,

vs.

COMPLAINT

The Order of St. Benedict of the  
Roman Catholic Church a/k/a St.  
John's Abbey, Father Bruce  
Wollmering, Brother John Kelly, and  
Father Finnian McDonald,

Defendants.

Plaintiff, for his causes of action against Defendants, alleges as follows:

PARTIES

1. Plaintiff John Doe HK is an adult male resident of the State of Washington whose identity is made known to Defendants by separate cover letter.
2. At all times material, Father Bruce Wollmering was a Catholic Brother and member of Defendant Order of St. Benedict of the Roman Catholic Church, a/k/a St. John's Abbey (hereinafter "Defendant Order"). Defendant Wollmering was educated and trained by Defendant Order. On information and belief, Defendant Wollmering professed vows of conversatio morum, which is the conversion of life through celibacy, simplicity, and monastic disciplines. Defendant Wollmering was placed at St. Johns University by and under the authority of Defendant Order and therefore was under the direct supervision, employ and control of Defendant Order. At all times material, Defendant Wollmering was employed as a counselor/psychologist for St. John's University.

On information and belief, Defendant Wollmering was employed in the University's Counseling and Career Services office at the time of the sexual exploitation alleged herein. Defendant Wollmering was an adult and designated holy figure at the time of the sexual exploitation alleged herein.

3. At all times material, Brother John Kelly was a Catholic Brother and member of Defendant Order of St. Benedict of the Roman Catholic Church, a/k/a St. John's Abbey (hereinafter "Defendant Order"). Defendant Kelly was educated and trained by Defendant Order. On information and belief, Defendant Kelly professed vows of *conversatio morum*, which is the conversion of life through celibacy, simplicity, and monastic disciplines. Defendant Kelly was placed at St. John's University by and under the authority of Defendant Order and therefore was under the direct supervision, employ and control of Defendant Order. At all times material, Defendant Kelly was employed as a member of the faculty at St. John's University and the faculty resident at Mary Hall. On information and belief, Defendant Kelly was employed as a member of the faculty at the University and as faculty resident at Mary Hall at the time of the sexual exploitation alleged herein. Defendant Kelly was an adult and designated holy figure at the time of the sexual exploitation alleged herein.

4. At all times material, Father Finnian McDonald was a Catholic monk and member of Defendant Order of St. Benedict of the Roman Catholic Church, a/k/a St. John's Abbey (hereinafter "Defendant Order"). Defendant McDonald was educated and trained by Defendant Order. On information and belief, Defendant McDonald confessed vows of *conversatio morum*, which is the conversion of life through celibacy, simplicity, and monastic disciplines. Defendant McDonald was placed at St. John's University by and under the authority of Defendant Order and therefore was under the direct supervision, employ and control of Defendant Order. At all times

material, Defendant McDonald was employed as head of the academic advisory program at St. John's University. On information and belief, Defendant McDonald was employed as head of the academic advisory program in the Counseling and Career Services office at the University at the time of the sexual exploitation alleged herein. Defendant McDonald was an adult and designated holy figure at the time of the sexual exploitation alleged herein.

5. At all times material, Defendant Order, a Roman Catholic religious order of priests and brothers, was and continues to be a non-profit religious organization authorized to conduct business and conducting business in the State of Minnesota with its principal place of business at St. John's Abbey, Collegeville, Minnesota. Defendant Order owns and operates St. John's University (hereinafter "SJU") which is a Benedictine college. Defendant Order represents St. John's University to be an exceptional college that provides its students a safe and secure environment through the use of full time staff that supervises and mentors students. Defendant Order also owns and operates St. John's University School (hereinafter "SJP").

#### **FACTUAL BACKGROUND**

6. Since approximately 1960 through the present, persons controlling, directing and/or participating in the operation of Defendant Order and its related entities, including SJU and SJP, conspired to intentionally, recklessly and/or negligently conceal criminal conduct of its agents, aided and abetted the concealment of criminal conduct, aided and abetted criminal sexual conduct, failed to report criminal conduct of its agents, evaded criminal and/or civil prosecution and liability, committed fraud and/or fraudulently induced its prospective and current students, alumni, parishioners and the public in furtherance of its scheme to protect predatory priests and other clergy from criminal prosecution, to maintain or increase charitable contributions and/or avoid public

scandal.

7. The following evidence shows that persons controlling and/or participating in the operation of Defendant Order, including its entities such as SJU and SJP, engaged in a pattern and practice of fraudulent conduct in order to conceal the criminal and harmful acts of its agents and employees:

**Father Bruce Wollmering**

8. As counselor and psychologist at St. John's University Counseling and Career Services office, Defendant Father Bruce Wollmering was responsible for the custody, care, health, welfare, and safety of the students.

9. From an early point Defendant Order had information regarding and was or should have been on notice of Defendant Wollmering's dangerous and exploitive propensities.

10. On information and belief, as a result of Defendant Father Bruce Wollmering's conduct and behavior, he developed a reputation in the St. John's community for acting out with students.

11. On information and belief, despite his conduct, behavior, and reputation in the St. John's community, Defendant Order allowed Defendant Wollmering to remain as counselor and psychologist to University students, where he continued to have unsupervised access to them.

12. On information and belief, Defendant Order did nothing more to investigate or discover the existence of any other victims of Defendant Father Wollmering. Instead, in conformity with its pattern and practice, it concealed these acts from victims, prospective students, current students, their families, alumni, parishioners, the public and/or law enforcement authorities.

**Brother John Kelly**

13. As a member of the faculty at St. John's University and as faculty resident at Mary Hall, Defendant Brother John Kelly was responsible for the custody, care, health, welfare, and safety of the students.

14. From an early point Defendant Order had information regarding and was or should have been on notice of Defendant Kelly's dangerous and exploitive propensities.

15. On information and belief, as a result of Defendant Brother John Kelly's conduct and behavior, he developed a reputation in the St. John's community for acting out with students.

16. On information and belief, despite his conduct, behavior, and reputation in the St. John's community, Defendant Order allowed Defendant Wollmering to remain as a faculty member and faculty resident at the University, where he continued to have unsupervised access to students.

17. On information and belief, Defendant Order did nothing more to investigate or discover the existence of any other victims of Defendant Brother Kelly. Instead, in conformity with its pattern and practice, it concealed these acts from victims, prospective students, current students, their families, alumni, parishioners, the public and/or law enforcement authorities.

18. From approximately 1981 through 1984, Brother John Kelly abused John UU Doe. This abuse occurred on the premises of St. John's School, in Brother Kelly's office, in John UU Doe's dormitory room, and in the woods on the property owned by SJU.

19. In 1982, John UU Doe told Father Francisco, St. John's Chaplin, about the abuse.

20. Despite his report of abuse, Br. Kelly continued to abuse John UU Doe in 1983 and 1984.

**Father Finnian McDonald**

21. As a member of the faculty at St. John's University and as head of the academic advisory program at St. John's, Defendant Father Finnian McDonald was responsible for the custody, care, health, welfare, and safety of the students.

22. From an early point Defendant Order had information regarding and was or should have been on notice of Defendant McDonald's dangerous and exploitive propensities.

23. On information and belief, as a result of Defendant Father Finnian McDonald's conduct and behavior, he developed a reputation in the St. John's community for acting out with students.

24. On information and belief, despite his conduct, behavior, and reputation in the St. John's community, Defendant Order allowed Defendant McDonald to remain as a faculty member and head of the academic advisory program at the University, where he continued to have unsupervised access to students.

25. On information and belief, Defendant Order did nothing more to investigate or discover the existence of any other victims of Defendant Father McDonald. Instead, in conformity with its pattern and practice, it concealed these acts from victims, prospective students, current students, their families, alumni, parishioners, the public and/or law enforcement authorities.

26. Father Finian McDonald was ordained in 1962.

27. Father McDonald sexually abused B.B. in 1975 during his senior year in college, on at least three separate occasions, while he attended St. John's University.

**Father Dunstan Moore**

28. Defendant Moore was ordained on or about 1978.

29. From 1979 through 1985, Defendant Moore taught at SJU and served as Prefect. As Prefect, Defendant Moore's duties included serving as a student monitor and ensuring the health, safety and welfare of the students.

30. From early on, Defendant Order had information and was on notice of Defendant Moore's proclivity toward acting out sexually with minors:

- a. In 1978, a Deacon's evaluation stated "teenagers posed the most difficulties in [Moore's] pastoral relationships."
- b. In 1981, Defendant Moore sexually abused Plaintiff Quenroe.
- c. On information and belief, in approximately, 1982, a priest with Defendant Order warned a student at SJU to keep his distance from Defendant Moore.
- d. In approximately 1983, Defendant Moore sexually abused SJU student John L. Doe.
- e. On information and belief, in approximately 1983, Defendant Moore grabbed another student's genitalia. This student reported the incident to a priest at SJU and was told or made to believe that everything would be handled.
- f. On information and belief, during this time Defendant Moore also made a sexual advance toward another student. On information and belief, a priest with SJU was made aware of this situation.
- g. As the following examples indicate, files and documents maintained by Defendant Order and Defendant's Abbot also show direct knowledge of Defendant Moore's conduct:

- i. Abbot's file-May 7, 1984, "Report on improper behavior toward students: some propositioning? Verbal advice in regard to sex (between men?) Chasing a student in a car. Should he be removed from the prep school, i.e., from prefecting? Linus is speaking to him about this. See him (Dunstan) if other reports come in."
- ii. Abbot's file- May 11, 1984, "He feels that the students have misinterpreted his statements and counsel. He says that he has learned from this turn of events. He wants to continue in the dorms but he realizes that the talk among students could make it difficult to remain there."
- iii. Abbot's file- June 15, 1984, "Report that parents are calling headmaster and dean of students about Dunstan's counseling, [illegible, scratched out] advice, and actions [illegible, scratched out][?]. Does he have a perspective on the seriousness of the issues? He has a car signed out much of the time. He is following the Springers (Cold Spring baseball team) because a former student is playing on the team; he is gone night after night! Should Dunstan receive some counseling now? Should he go away for graduate studies now? It seems that he should clear up some of his personal issues before going away for studies. See Otto. Some activity a year ago spring. The student is now a Senior (will be a Senior). Some inappropriate language and suggestions. He should no longer be a

perfect but he may continue to teach. It seems that he should seek some counseling. He is not very regular in monastic observance.”

- iv. Abbot's file- August 27, 1984, “He has not sought counseling; I recommend it once again for the sake of clarifying the issues in his life. He seems to be taking the matter fairly well.”

31. On information and belief, despite all of this evidence Defendant Order did nothing more to investigate or discover the existence of any other victims. Instead, in conformity with its pattern and practice, it concealed these acts from victims, prospective students, current students, their families, alumni, parishioners, the public and/or law enforcement authorities and as a result, other students were sexually abused by Defendant Moorse.

32. In 1985, Defendant Moorse sexually abused Plaintiff John Doe 43 on SJU property. After the incidents of abuse, Defendant Moorse threatened Plaintiff John Doe 43 not to disclose the abuse to anyone.

33. In 1985, Defendant Moorse sexually abused John B. Doe on SJU property.

34. Thereafter, the Abbot's file on Defendant Moorse and other documents show Defendant Order conspired to conceal Defendant Moorse's abuse from its prospective students, current students, their families, victims, alumni, parishioners, the public, law enforcement authorities and/or prospective schools or assignments Defendant might work at:

- a. On July 1, 1986, the Abbot's file indicates another report of sexually improper conduct by Defendant Moorse, “The report is about some words of invitation, holding hands, a touching, and a hugging. Dunstan says it is 85% correct. He did it to keep the fellow from coming around to him and to his

office! What a method of keeping him at a distance! The fellow's parents are divorced: . . . This incident happened last fall. [illegible] didn't the kind come in to talk about it? What and when did he report to the counselor?" . . . "I learned more about the incident that happened two years ago. He apparently asked a student to disrobe. He also blocked a student from leaving his office, or he tried to do so . . . How many more incidents are there? Julian and Dennis question the propriety of Dunstan's going to graduate school at this time. Should he not spend more time at counseling? I hope he can do both. I should insist on regular counseling and a report."

- b. In a letter dated, July 22, 1986, a priest with Defendant Order wrote to Abbot Theisen expressing reservations about writing a letter of recommendation for Defendant Moore in light of the accusations about him: "Linus had informed me just before he left for California that Dunstan would not be at the Prep school this year, that this had been your decision, and that before I began any work towards finding a replacement for his classes, I must wait until I heard further from either you or Linus. From this, I naturally assumed that the leave results from the allegations and/or incidents of sexual advance, of which I have heard rumor and received student complaint as Senior Prefect. Tonight I called Linus to ask authorization to discuss the matter with you, as I have some problems with supporting Dunstan's matriculation to a graduate program under these circumstances." (Emphasis added).
- c. A little over a month later, on August 25, 1986, Abbot Theisen wrote a letter

on Defendant Moore's behalf to the bishop of Santa Fe diocese asking for a position for Defendant Moore. In this letter, Abbot Theisen does not disclose any of the allegations of sexually improper conduct against Defendant Moore but states, in part, "... I am unsure about just how much time he will have to devote to parochial work . . . Perhaps he might even be chaplain at a small convent." Defendant Moore was granted faculties within the Archdiocese of Santa Fe on or about September 1986.

- d. After leaving the Abbey and moving to Santa Fe, Defendant Moore and Abbot Theisen kept in constant contact often discussing his problems and when he could come back to the Abbey. In a letter dated, September 30, 1986, Abbot Theisen writes to Defendant Moore about what information should be in Defendant Moore's doctors report: "He [Moore's counselor] wonders whether he needs to detail his finding in a letter. . . I will not require it but it would be helpful to have some short statement to the effect that you are doing well. I am glad that you have been able to look at some of the issues in your life, both with Dr. Lamb and with Dr. Quenk."
- e. In December of 1986, despite the numerous allegations, Abbot Theisen writes in Defendant Moore's file wondering what assignment he should take, "Quenk's [Defendant Moore's physician] letter indicates that Dunstan is not homosexually oriented but that other reasons account for his behavior. . . Should he continue in the fall or take an assignment? I think take an assignment. I told him that I am [illegible] leaning toward Benilde (he sees

that it is important to support [illegible]).”

- f. In March of 1987, Abbot Theisen writes in Defendant Moore's file about assigning Defendant Moore to Benilde and his concerns about that assignment: “We spoke briefly about Benilde. I said that I wanted him to teach there; I know it is a risk. I asked him to ask his counselor about a statement to the effect that it would be a good assignment.” (Emphasis added).
- g. On May 8, 1987, Abbot Theisen writes to Moore about working at Benilde. Abbot Theisen also mentions that he spoke with Bishop Roach and indicates that Roach told Theisen that he relies on major superiors to supply him with the proper amount of information.
- h. August 1987 (Abbot's file) “. . . We talked a bit about his moving into the archdiocese; the archbishop asked for no statements.”
- i. On information and belief, in approximately 1987 Defendant Moore was assigned to Benilde St. Margaret's High School where he was a religious instructor.

**Father Allen Tarlton**

- 35. Defendant Tarlton was ordained in 1955.
- 36. Defendant Tarlton taught at SJU from the 1970's through the 1990's.
- 37. In approximately the fall of 1982, Defendant Tarlton sexually abused John HHH Doe.
- 38. On or about December 2, 1982, the Abbot sent Defendant Tarlton for treatment at St. Luke Institute for issues with “homosexuality.” St. Luke Institute is a licensed psychiatric facility

which deals exclusively with clergy and religious men and women who have psychological problems as well as chemical dependency problems.

39. In approximately the summer of 1983, after completing his treatment at St. Luke, Defendant Tarlton returned to St. John's and continued teaching, without restriction, until 1992. As a result of Defendant Order's conduct, other students were abused.

40. On or about fall of 1985, Defendant Tarlton sexually abused Plaintiff John Doe 43. After the incidents of abuse, Defendant Tarlton threatened Plaintiff John Doe 43 not to disclose the abuse to anyone.

**Father Eckroth**

41. Father Richard Eckroth was ordained in 1952.

42. From approximately 1971 through 1972, Father Eckroth abused John Doe 10A on two occasions. The sexual abuse occurred at a cabin located in northern Minnesota, which, on information and belief, was owned and operated by Defendant Order. Following the sexual abuse, Father Eckroth threatened and coerced John Doe 10A into secrecy by telling John Doe 10A that he would kill him if anyone ever found out about the sexual contact.

43. On information and belief, in approximately 1972 through 1976, Father Eckroth abused John Doe on two occasions.

44. In 1973, Father Eckroth abused John Doe 10B on two occasions. The first instance of sexual abuse occurred at a cabin located in northern Minnesota, which, on information and belief, was owned and operated by Defendant Order.

45. The second instance of sexual abuse occurred at the St. Augustine's rectory. Father Eckroth threatened and coerced John Doe 10B into secrecy by telling him words to the effect of

"Don't tell. If you do, you'll be dead."

**Father Brennan Maiers**

46. Father Maiers was ordained in 1963.

47. In 1966, Father Maiers sexually abused John A Doe.

48. During his tenure with Defendant Order, Father Maiers acted out sexually. In the 1970's, Father Maiers engaged in adult consensual homosexual activity. In the 1970's, Father Maiers also sought counseling regarding his sexuality. Then, in the early 1980s, Father Maiers was also cited, but not charged, for soliciting an adult male police officer.

**Abbot John Eidenschenk**

49. Father John Eidenschenk was ordained in 1941.

50. From approximately 1962 through 1963, Father Eidenschenk abused John Doe 13A during weekly counseling meetings. During these counseling sessions Father Eidenschenk would lead John Doe 13A to Father Eidenschenk's bedroom and proceed to fondle him.

51. Following the first incident of abuse, John Doe 13A went to the Rector of the seminary, and asked him if Father Eidenschenk should be requesting that John Doe 13A remove his clothes and then proceed to fondle him. In response, the Rector became very angry and ordered John Doe 13A to leave his office.

52. In 1971, Eidenschenk became Abbot of St. John's.

**Father Cosmos Dahlheimer**

53. Father Cosmos Dahlheimer was ordained in 1936.

54. In 1963, Father Dahlheimer received shock treatment for psychological problems he was suffering. In letters written to the Abbot, Father Dahlheimer indicated that he worried he was

a man of weak faith and that he had been told that he may not be able to return to the priesthood. Nevertheless, Father Dahlheimer was sent back to serve and work in local parishes.

55. In approximately 1970, while serving at St. Augustine's parish, Father Dahlheimer abused John J. Doe.

56. In approximately 1975, while serving at St. Bernard's parish, Father Dahlheimer abused John Doe 19A.

57. In approximately 1977, while serving at St. Bernard's parish, Father Dahlheimer abused C.T.

58. In approximately 1978, while serving at St. Bernard's parish, Father Dahlheimer abused Jon Roe.

59. In approximately 1987, Defendant Order was made aware of two incidents of sexual abuse by Father Dahlheimer. Documents show that initially Defendant Order did not make Father Dahlheimer aware of the first incident and allegation of abuse.

**Father Francis Hoefgen**

60. Father Hoefgen was ordained in 1979.

61. Father Hoefgen served as associate pastor at St. Boniface Church, in Cold Spring, in 1983.

62. On or about 1983, John KKK Doe was staying at St. Cloud hospital. Father Hoefgen would visit John KKK Doe often. After his stay at St. Cloud hospital, John KKK Doe went to stay at St. Boniface Parish House. While staying there, Father Hoefgen abused John KKK Doe on at least two occasions.

63. In 1984, Father Hoefgen's abuse of John KKK Doe was reported to law enforcement

authorities. Father Hoefgen's statement was taken and he admitted to two acts of sexual abuse with John KKK Doe.

64. In 1984, Defendant Order sent Father Hoefgen to St. Luke Institute for evaluation. Thereafter, Defendant Order allowed John KKK Doe to maintain his position at St. Boniface—which later merged into St. Elizabeth in 1987--until 1992. Thereafter, he was a guest master and personnel coordinator at Defendant Order.

Father Thomas Gillespie

65. Father Thomas Gillespie was ordained in 1964.

66. During approximately 1977 through 1978, Father Thomas Gillespie abused John Doe 19A on Defendant Order's property.

67. Ultimately, several of these victims brought lawsuits against Defendant Order in the early 1990's. In 1993, as a result of these allegations and in an attempt to improve public relations and placate victims, prospective students, current students, their families, alumni, parishioners, the public and/or law enforcement authorities and maintain donations and contributions, Defendant Order appointed a commission to create a system in which allegations of abuse could be addressed.

68. In 1994, the commission created the Inter-Faith Sexual Trauma Institute (hereinafter "ISTI"). ISTI was presented as Defendant Order's attempt at providing a mechanism to handle and address allegations of abuse. However, on information and belief, when allegations of sexual abuse were brought to ISTI, it failed to take prompt or remedial measures to address the allegations.

69. By these acts, Defendant Order, misrepresented and/or failed to represent facts of known sexual misconduct of Defendant's priests and brothers to victims, prospective students, current students, their families, alumni, parishioners, the public and/or law enforcement authorities

and failed to investigate the allegations and/or make a pastoral outreach. Defendants' actions resulted in the sexual abuse of other children and the exacerbation of injury to victims, including Plaintiff.

70. Upon information and belief, Defendant Order, by and through its agents, persons controlling and/or directing Defendant Order, misrepresented and/or failed to represent the facts of known sexual misconduct to victims, prospective students, current students, their families, alumni, parishioners, the public and/or law enforcement authorities for the economic purpose of maintaining or increasing charitable contributions and tuition payments.

71. Upon information and belief, after learning of Defendant Wollmering's and other brothers and priests' conduct, Defendant Order, by and through its agents, ratified the conduct by failing to report them to law enforcement authorities, victims, prospective students, current students, their families, alumni, parishioners and/or the public. Further, Defendants' conduct communicated to Plaintiff and other victims that Defendant Order's priests and brothers' conduct was proper and that legal action was not necessary. Therefore, Defendants knew or should have known, that their actions would silence Plaintiff and other victims, prevent them from discovering their injuries, their complaints or possible other complaints or victims, and ultimately exacerbate their emotional distress and trauma.

**BACKGROUND FACTS APPLICABLE TO JOHN DOE HK**

72. Plaintiff John Doe HK attended SJU from approximately 1982-86. In 1984, Plaintiff John Doe HK first met and came to know Defendant Wollmering as a psychologist, spiritual guide and/or counselor with Defendant Order.

73. On information and belief, St. John's University is owned by and/or operated under

the supervision and control of and staffed and managed by Defendant Order. At the time Plaintiff attended St. John's University it operated as a full time college and university school.

74. Plaintiff John Doe HK was raised in a devout Roman Catholic family, and regularly celebrated mass and participated in church-related activities. Plaintiff, therefore, developed great admiration, trust, reverence and respect for the Roman Catholic Church and its agents.

75. Through his role of psychologist, counselor and/or spiritual advisor, Defendant Wollmering was a person of great influence and persuasion as a holy man and authority figure.

76. Between approximately 1984 and 1986, while Defendant Wollmering was a psychologist, counselor, spiritual guide and/or holy authority figure to Plaintiff John Doe HK, Defendant Wollmering sexually exploited Plaintiff John Doe HK by engaging in illegal sexual contact with him.

77. In the course of Plaintiff's participation at St. John's University, Plaintiff came to know, admire, trust, revere and respect Defendant Wollmering as a person of great influence and persuasion, and as a holy man and authority figure. Defendant Wollmering was, at all times relevant, Plaintiffs' minister, spiritual guide, advisor, counselor and trusted confidant, and he exercised extraordinary authority and control over the Plaintiff's personal and spiritual life.

78. While serving as psychologist at St. John's, Defendant Wollmering provided counseling to Plaintiff John Doe HK.

79. Between 1984 and 1986, Plaintiff continued to turn to Defendant Wollmering for spiritual and emotional guidance.

80. Beginning in approximately 1984, Plaintiff John Doe sought individual emotional and spiritual counseling and support from Defendant Wollmering. In the course of this spiritual and

counseling relationship, Defendant Wollmering deceived Plaintiff John Doe HK into engaging in sexual contact with him under the guise of providing religious instruction and emotional counseling.

81. Beginning in approximately 1984 and continuing until approximately 1986, Defendant Wollmering, in the course of providing religious instruction and emotional counseling and support to Plaintiff John Doe HK, negligently mishandled the counseling relationship by engaging him in sexual contact and by sexually exploiting John Doe HK. The sexual contact occurred, among other places, at various locations on Defendant Order's premises, and before, during and after school-sponsored activities and events.

82. By and through his association and/or employment with Defendant Order, Defendant Wollmering was provided with office space, secretarial service, telephone, supplies and other related services necessary to permit him to practice as a psychologist, counselor and spiritual counselor. Defendant Order, by associating with and holding out Wollmering to the public as a qualified priest, psychologist and counselor, provided Defendant Wollmering with the means and opportunity to have access to Plaintiff John Doe HK and other members of the public and in so doing warranted that Defendant Wollmering was a qualified and competent priest, psychologist and counselor.

83. In approximately 1984, Plaintiff John Doe HK sought counseling from Defendant Wollmering. Defendant Wollmering provided counseling services to Plaintiff John Doe until 1986. The counseling Plaintiff John Doe received from Wollmering occurred at St. John's University and other church-owned property.

84. Defendant Wollmering provided formal therapeutic services for Plaintiff John Doe on a regular basis from approximately 1984 through 1986. In the course of the therapeutic relationship, Plaintiff John Doe HK became emotionally dependent upon Defendant Wollmering.

During the course of the therapeutic relationship between Defendant Wollmering and Plaintiff John Doe, Defendant Wollmering used his position of authority over Plaintiff John Doe to sexually exploit him.

85. Defendant Wollmering used his position as a spiritual counselor and therapist to coerce and manipulate Plaintiff John Doe into sexual contact with him. By virtue of this conduct Defendant Wollmering breached the standard of care imposed upon a psychotherapist under Minnesota Statute §148A.01. Defendant Wollmering's breach of the standard of care constitutes sexual exploitation for which the Plaintiffs may recover damages.

86. As a direct result of the sexual abuse and sexual exploitation perpetrated against Plaintiff John Doe by Defendant Wollmering, Plaintiff John Doe has suffered and continues to suffer great pain of mind and body, shock, emotional distress, embarrassment, loss of self-esteem, disgrace, humiliation, and loss of enjoyment of life; was prevented and will continue to be prevented from performing his daily activities and obtaining the full enjoyment of life; has sustained loss of earnings and earning capacity; and has incurred and will continue to incur expenses for medical and psychological treatment, therapy and counseling.

87. The sexual exploitation of Plaintiff, and the circumstances under which the exploitation occurred, caused Plaintiff to develop various psychological coping mechanisms and symptoms of psychological distress, including great shame, guilt, self-blame, depression, repression and disassociation. As a result, Plaintiff John Doe HK was unable to know or have reason to know that he was a victim of sexual abuse committed upon him by Defendant Wollmering. Plaintiff did not know or have reason to know that he had been sexually exploited until within six years prior to service of this Complaint. The sexual abuse and exploitation of Plaintiff John Doe HK and the

circumstances under which it occurred caused Plaintiff John Doe HK to develop various psychological coping mechanisms which made him incapable of ascertaining the resulting damages from that conduct.

88. Furthermore, upon information and belief, after learning of Defendant Order's brothers' and priests' conduct, Defendant Order, by and through its agents, ratified the conduct by failing to report it to law enforcement authorities, prospective students, current students, their families, victims, parishioners, alumni and the public. Therefore, Defendant Order's conduct communicated to Plaintiff and other victims that Defendant Order's brothers' and priests' conduct was proper and that legal action was not necessary. As a result, Defendant Order knew or should have known, that their actions would silence Plaintiff John Doe HK and other victims, prevent them from discovering their injuries, their complaints or possible other complaints or victims, and ultimately exacerbate their emotional distress and trauma. Defendants should therefore be estopped from asserting any defense that Plaintiff's action is not timely because Defendants individually and in concert with each other, fraudulently concealed the wrongfulness of Defendant Wollmering's, and other priests' and brothers', conduct and that conduct's causal relationship to the harm suffered by Plaintiff John Doe HK.

89. As a direct result of Defendant Order's and Defendant Wollmering's wrongful conduct, Plaintiff has suffered and continues to suffer great pain of mind and body, shock, emotional distress, physical manifestations of emotional distress, embarrassment, loss of self-esteem, disgrace, humiliation, and loss of enjoyment of life; was prevented and will continue to be prevented from performing his daily activities and obtaining the full enjoyment of life; has sustained loss of earnings and earning capacity; and/or has incurred and will continue to incur expenses for medical and

psychological treatment, therapy, and counseling.

90. Through his role of psychologist, counselor and/or spiritual advisor, Defendant Wollmering was a person of great influence and persuasion as a holy man and authority figure.

91. Between approximately 1984 and 1986, while Defendant Kelly was a faculty member, faculty resident, spiritual guide and/or holy authority figure to Plaintiff John Doe HK, Defendant Kelly sexually solicited and exploited Plaintiff John Doe HK by seeking to engage in illegal sexual contact with him.

92. In the year 1984-85, John HK Doe came to know and trust Brother John Kelly as a monk and as the faculty resident in Mary Hall. On an unknown date between 1984 and 1985, Kelly was engaging in conversation and horseplay with John HK Doe when John Doe HK accidentally fell into Kelly's lap. After that event, Brother John Kelly told HK how HK had "aroused him" when he had fallen into his lap. At that time, under the guise of counseling and advice, Brother John Kelly advised HK of his own homosexuality and made this disclosure to him under the guise of counseling and as an authority figure and for the purpose of sexual solicitation of HK.

93. In the course of Plaintiff's participation at St. John's University, Plaintiff came to know, admire, trust, revere and respect Defendant Kelly as a person of great influence and persuasion, and as a holy man and authority figure. Defendant Kelly was, at all times relevant, Plaintiffs' minister, spiritual guide, advisor, counselor and trusted confidant, and he exercised extraordinary authority and control over the Plaintiff's personal and spiritual life.

94. While serving as faculty member and faculty resident at St. John's, Defendant Kelly provided counseling to Plaintiff John Doe HK.

95. Between 1984 and 1985, Plaintiff continued to turn to Defendant Kelly for spiritual

and emotional guidance.

96. By and through his association and/or employment with Defendant Order, Defendant Kelly was provided with office space, secretarial service, telephone, supplies and other related services necessary to permit him to practice as a faculty member, faculty resident, counselor and spiritual counselor. Defendant Order, by associating with and holding out Kelly to the public as a qualified priest, faculty member, faculty resident and counselor, provided Defendant Kelly with the means and opportunity to have access to Plaintiff John Doe HK and other members of the public and in so doing warranted that Defendant Kelly was a qualified and competent priest, faculty member and counselor.

97. As a direct result of the sexual solicitation and sexual exploitation perpetrated against Plaintiff John Doe by Defendant Kelly, Plaintiff John Doe has suffered and continues to suffer great pain of mind and body, shock, emotional distress, embarrassment, loss of self-esteem, disgrace, humiliation, and loss of enjoyment of life; was prevented and will continue to be prevented from performing his daily activities and obtaining the full enjoyment of life; has sustained loss of earnings and earning capacity; and has incurred and will continue to incur expenses for medical and psychological treatment, therapy and counseling.

98. The sexual exploitation of Plaintiff, and the circumstances under which the exploitation occurred, caused Plaintiff to develop various psychological coping mechanisms and symptoms of psychological distress, including great shame, guilt, self-blame, depression, repression and disassociation. As a result, Plaintiff John Doe HK was unable to know or have reason to know that he was a victim of sexual solicitation and sexual exploitation committed upon him by Defendant Kelly. Plaintiff did not know or have reason to know that he had been sexually exploited until

within six years prior to service of this Complaint. The sexual solicitation and exploitation of Plaintiff John Doe HK and the circumstances under which it occurred caused Plaintiff John Doe HK to develop various psychological coping mechanisms which made him incapable of ascertaining the resulting damages from that conduct.

99. Between approximately 1985 and 1986, while Defendant McDonald was a faculty member, head of the academic advisory program, spiritual guide and/or holy authority figure to Plaintiff John Doe HK, Defendant McDonald sexually solicited and exploited Plaintiff John Doe HK by soliciting sexual contact with him, attempted to sexually batter him, and sexually exploited him.

100. In the summer of 1985, John HK Doe came to know and trust Father McDonald as a monk and as the head of the academic advisory program at St. John's. While HK was working as an intern at the counseling and career services office, Fr. Finian McDonald approached and counseled HK numerous times. On one particular occasion, he convinced HK to come to his room and solicited him for a massage. HK went to his room trusting that it was for innocent and therapeutic purposes. At that time, Fr. Finian McDonald was the faculty resident when HK went to his residence. There Finian McDonald instructed Plaintiff to take a hot shower and after he did, instructed him to lay on the floor naked. Thereupon Fr. Finian McDonald massaged HK's body with oil under the guise of some therapeutic purpose. Fr. Finian McDonald instructed HK to turn over whereupon he was laying on his back with his genitals fully exposed and at that time Fr. Finian McDonald asked HK if he could touch his penis and engage in sexual contact with him.

101. In the course of Plaintiff's participation at St. John's University, Plaintiff came to know, admire, trust, revere and respect Defendant McDonald as a person of great influence and persuasion, and as a holy man and authority figure. Defendant McDonald was, at all times relevant,

Plaintiffs' minister, spiritual guide, advisor, counselor and trusted confidant, and he exercised extraordinary authority and control over the Plaintiff's personal and spiritual life.

102. While serving as faculty member and faculty resident at St. John's, Defendant McDonald provided counseling to Plaintiff John Doe HK.

103. Between 1985 and 1986, Plaintiff continued to turn to Defendant McDonald for spiritual and emotional guidance.

104. By and through his association and/or employment with Defendant Order, Defendant McDonald was provided with office space, secretarial service, telephone, supplies and other related services necessary to permit him to practice as head of the academic advisory program and spiritual counselor. Defendant Order, by associating with and holding out McDonald to the public as a qualified monk and counselor, provided Defendant McDonald with the means and opportunity to have access to Plaintiff John Doe HK and other members of the public and in so doing warranted that Defendant McDonald was a qualified and competent monk, faculty member and counselor.

105. As a direct result of the sexual solicitation and sexual exploitation perpetrated against Plaintiff John Doe by Defendant McDonald, Plaintiff John Doe has suffered and continues to suffer great pain of mind and body, shock, emotional distress, embarrassment, loss of self-esteem, disgrace, humiliation, and loss of enjoyment of life; was prevented and will continue to be prevented from performing his daily activities and obtaining the full enjoyment of life; has sustained loss of earnings and earning capacity; and has incurred and will continue to incur expenses for medical and psychological treatment, therapy and counseling.

106. The sexual exploitation of Plaintiff, and the circumstances under which the exploitation occurred, caused Plaintiff to develop various psychological coping mechanisms and

symptoms of psychological distress, including great shame, guilt, self-blame, depression, repression and disassociation. As a result, Plaintiff John Doe HK was unable to know or have reason to know that he was a victim of sexual solicitation and sexual exploitation committed upon him by Defendant McDonald. Plaintiff did not know or have reason to know that he had been sexually exploited until within six years prior to service of this Complaint. The sexual solicitation and exploitation of Plaintiff John Doe HK and the circumstances under which it occurred caused Plaintiff John Doe HK to develop various psychological coping mechanisms which made him incapable of ascertaining the resulting damages from that conduct.

**COUNT I**  
**DEFENDANT WOLLMERING - SEXUAL BATTERY**

107. Plaintiff John Doe HK incorporates all paragraphs of this Complaint as if fully set forth herein.

108. Between approximately 1984 and 1986, Defendant Wollmering inflicted unpermitted, harmful, and offensive sexual contact upon the person of Plaintiff.

109. As a direct result of Defendant Wollmering's wrongful conduct, Plaintiff has suffered and continues to suffer great pain of mind and body, shock, emotional distress, physical manifestations of emotional distress, embarrassment, loss of self-esteem, disgrace, humiliation, and loss of enjoyment of life; was prevented and will continue to be prevented from performing his daily activities and obtaining the full enjoyment of life; has sustained loss of earnings and earning capacity; and/or has incurred and will continue to incur expenses for medical and psychological treatment, therapy, and counseling.

**DEFENDANT KELLY - ATTEMPTED SEXUAL BATTERY**

110. Plaintiff John Doe HK incorporates all paragraphs of this Complaint as if fully set forth herein.

111. Between approximately 1984 and 1986, Defendant Kelly attempted to inflict unpermitted, harmful, and offensive sexual contact upon the person of Plaintiff.

112. As a direct result of Defendant Kelly's wrongful conduct, Plaintiff has suffered and continues to suffer great pain of mind and body, shock, emotional distress, physical manifestations of emotional distress, embarrassment, loss of self-esteem, disgrace, humiliation, and loss of enjoyment of life; was prevented and will continue to be prevented from performing his daily activities and obtaining the full enjoyment of life; has sustained loss of earnings and earning capacity; and/or has incurred and will continue to incur expenses for medical and psychological treatment, therapy, and counseling.

**DEFENDANT MCDONALD - ATTEMPTED SEXUAL BATTERY**

113. Plaintiff John Doe HK incorporates all paragraphs of this Complaint as if fully set forth herein.

114. Between approximately 1985 and 1986, Defendant McDonald attempted to inflict unpermitted, harmful, and offensive sexual contact upon the person of Plaintiff.

115. As a direct result of Defendant McDonald's wrongful conduct, Plaintiff has suffered and continues to suffer great pain of mind and body, shock, emotional distress, physical manifestations of emotional distress, embarrassment, loss of self-esteem, disgrace, humiliation, and loss of enjoyment of life; was prevented and will continue to be prevented from performing his daily activities and obtaining the full enjoyment of life; has sustained loss of earnings and earning

capacity; and/or has incurred and will continue to incur expenses for medical and psychological treatment, therapy, and counseling.

**COUNT II**  
**BREACH OF FIDUCIARY DUTY**

116. Plaintiff incorporates all paragraphs of this Complaint as if fully set forth herein.

117. As a result of Plaintiff being a patient, client and/or student of Defendants Wollmering, Kelly, and McDonald, and by Defendant Order and Defendant Wollmering's, Kelly's and McDonald's (hereinafter "Defendants") undertaking the care and guidance of the then vulnerable Plaintiff, Defendants held a position of empowerment over Plaintiff.

118. Further, Defendant Order, by holding itself out as a safe and secure residential educational institution and as a shepherd and leader of the Roman Catholic Church, solicited and/or accepted this position of empowerment. This empowerment prevented the Plaintiff from effectively protecting himself and Defendants thus entered into a fiduciary relationship with Plaintiff.

119. As fiduciaries to Plaintiff, Defendants had a duty to obtain and disclose information relating to sexual misconduct and other inappropriate behavior of Defendants Wollmering, Kelly and McDonald.

120. Moreover, Defendants had a duty to disclose to Plaintiff and others the wrongful nature of the sexual exploitation. Defendants, however, used Plaintiff's dependency as a patient/client and student to prevent him from recognizing that the exploitation was wrongful. Further, Defendants accomplished this end by enforcing the secrecy around the acts and/or by teaching Plaintiff that the acts were normal or necessary to the relationship. As a result, Defendants breached their fiduciary duty to Plaintiff by engaging in the negligent and wrongful conduct

described herein, by failing to disclose information regarding the wrongful nature of the abuse and/or in taking acts to conceal any such information.

121. As a direct result of Defendants' breach of their fiduciary duties, Plaintiff has suffered, and continues to suffer great pain of mind and body, shock, emotional distress, physical manifestations of emotional distress, embarrassment, loss of self-esteem, disgrace, humiliation, and loss of enjoyment of life; was prevented and will continue to be prevented from performing his daily activities and obtaining the full enjoyment of life; has sustained loss of earnings and earning capacity; and/or has incurred and will continue to incur expenses for medical and psychological treatment, therapy, and counseling.

**COUNT III**  
**FIDUCIARY FRAUD AND CONSPIRACY TO COMMIT**  
**FIDUCIARY FRAUD**

122. Plaintiff incorporates all paragraphs of this Complaint as if fully set forth herein.

123. As a result of Plaintiff being a patient, client and/or student of Defendants Wollmering, Kelly and McDonald, and by Defendant Order and Defendants Wollmering, Kelly and McDonald (hereinafter "Defendants") undertaking the care and guidance of the then vulnerable Plaintiff, Defendants held a position of empowerment over Plaintiff.

124. Further, Defendants, by holding themselves out as a safe and secure residential educational institution and as shepherds and leaders of the Roman Catholic Church, solicited and/or accepted this position of empowerment. This empowerment prevented the then-vulnerable Plaintiff from effectively protecting himself, and Defendants thus entered into a fiduciary relationship with Plaintiff.

125. As fiduciaries to Plaintiff, Defendants had a duty to obtain and disclose information

relating to sexual misconduct and other inappropriate behavior of Defendants Wollmering, Kelly and McDonald and the sexual misconduct of other known members of Defendant's staff.

126. Moreover, Defendants had a duty to disclose to Plaintiff and others the wrongful nature of the abuse. Defendants, however, used Plaintiff's dependency as a patient/client and student to prevent him from recognizing that the sexual exploitation was wrongful. Further, Defendants accomplished this end by enforcing the secrecy around the acts and/or by teaching Plaintiff that the acts were normal or necessary to the relationship. As a result, Defendants breached their fiduciary duty to Plaintiff by engaging in the negligent and wrongful conduct described herein, by failing to disclose information regarding the wrongful nature of the sexual exploitation and/or in taking acts to conceal any such information.

127. The fact that Defendants Wollmering, Kelly and McDonald and other known members of Defendant Order's staff had in the past and/or would in the future be likely to commit sexual misconduct with another student at Defendant Order was a material fact in Plaintiff and his family's decision whether or not to allow Plaintiff to attend SJU.

128. On information and belief, Defendant Order had actual or constructive knowledge of Defendant Wollmering's, Kelly's and McDonald's inappropriate behavior, as discussed above.

129. Defendants misrepresented, concealed or failed to disclose information relating to sexual misconduct of Defendants Wollmering, Kelly and McDonald and the sexual misconduct of other known members of Defendant Order's staff as described herein.

130. Defendants knew that they misrepresented, concealed and/or failed to disclose information relating to sexual misconduct of Defendants Wollmering, Kelly and McDonald and sexual misconduct of other known members of Defendant Order's staff, and Defendants intended

Plaintiff to rely upon Defendants' misrepresentations and/or omissions.

131. Plaintiff justifiably relied upon Defendants for information relating to sexual misconduct of Defendants Wollmering, Kelly and McDonald and the sexual misconduct of other known members of Defendant's staff. Plaintiff further relied upon Defendants to ensure his safety while he was in attendance at the Defendant's educational institution.

132. Upon information and belief, Defendants, in concert with each other and with the intent to conceal and defraud, conspired and came to a meeting of the minds whereby they would misrepresent, conceal or fail to disclose information relating to the sexual misconduct of Defendants Wollmering, Kelly and McDonald and sexual misconduct of other known members of Defendant Order's staff. By so concealing, Defendants committed at least one act in furtherance of the conspiracy.

133. As a direct result of Defendants' fraud and conspiracy, Plaintiff has suffered, and continues to suffer great pain of mind and body, shock, emotional distress, physical manifestations of emotional distress, embarrassment, loss of self-esteem, disgrace, humiliation, and loss of enjoyment of life; was prevented and will continue to be prevented from performing his daily activities and obtaining the full enjoyment of life; has sustained loss of earnings and earning capacity; and/or has incurred and will continue to incur expenses for medical and psychological treatment, therapy, and counseling.

**COUNT IV**  
**FRAUD AND CONSPIRACY TO COMMIT FRAUD**

134. Plaintiffs incorporate all paragraphs of this Complaint as if fully set forth herein.

135. Defendants knew or should have known of the sexual misconduct and other

inappropriate behavior of Defendants Wollmering, Kelly and McDonald and the sexual misconduct of other known members of Defendant Order's staff.

136. Defendants misrepresented, concealed or failed to disclose information relating to sexual misconduct of Defendants Wollmering, Kelly and McDonald and the sexual misconduct of other known members of Defendant Order's staff as described herein.

137. Defendants knew that they misrepresented, concealed or failed to disclose information relating to sexual misconduct of Defendants Wollmering, Kelly and McDonald and the sexual misconduct of other known members of Defendant Order's staff.

138. The fact that Defendants Wollmering, Kelly and McDonald and other known members of Defendant Order's staff had in the past and/or would in the future be likely to commit sexual misconduct with another student at Defendant Order was a material fact in Plaintiff and his family's decision whether or not to allow Plaintiff to attend SJU

139. Plaintiff justifiably relied upon Defendants for information relating to sexual misconduct of Defendants Wollmering, Kelly and McDonald and the sexual misconduct of other known members of Defendant Order's staff.

140. Upon information and belief, Defendants, in concert with each other and with the intent to conceal and defraud, conspired and came to a meeting of the minds whereby they would misrepresent, conceal or fail to disclose information relating to the sexual misconduct of Defendants Wollmering, Kelly and McDonald and the sexual misconduct of other known members of Defendant Order's staff. By so concealing, Defendants committed at least one act in furtherance of the conspiracy.

141. As a direct result of Defendants' fraud and conspiracy, Plaintiff has suffered, and

continues to suffer great pain of mind and body, shock, emotional distress, physical manifestations of emotional distress, embarrassment, loss of self-esteem, disgrace, humiliation, and loss of enjoyment of life; was prevented and will continue to be prevented from performing his daily activities and obtaining the full enjoyment of life; has sustained loss of earnings and earning capacity; and/or has incurred and will continue to incur expenses for medical and psychological treatment, therapy, and counseling.

**COUNT V**  
**NEGLIGENT RETENTION AND/OR SUPERVISION**

142. Plaintiff incorporates all paragraphs of this Complaint as if fully set forth herein.

143. Defendant Order, by and through its agents, servants and employees, knew or reasonably should have known of Defendant Wollmering's, Kelly's and McDonald's dangerous and exploitive propensities and/or that said Defendants were unfit agents.

144. Defendant Order had a duty to not retain Defendant Wollmering, Kelly or McDonald given said Defendants' dangerous and exploitive propensities, to provide reasonable supervision of Defendant Wollmering, Kelly and McDonald and to use reasonable care in investigating said Defendants.

145. Defendant Order negligently retained and/or failed to supervise Defendants Wollmering, Kelly and McDonald while they were employed in positions of trust and authority as a psychologist, a counselor, a Roman Catholic brother, and a spiritual counselor while Plaintiff studied at Defendant Order's educational institution, where Defendants Wollmering, Kelly and McDonald were able to commit the wrongful acts against Plaintiff. Defendants failed to provide reasonable supervision of Defendants Wollmering, Kelly and McDonald and failed to use reasonable

care in investigating Defendants Wollmering, Kelly and McDonald.

146. As a result of the above-described conduct, Plaintiff has suffered, and continues to suffer great pain of mind and body, shock, emotional distress, physical manifestations of emotional distress, embarrassment, loss of self-esteem, disgrace, humiliation, and loss of enjoyment of life; was prevented and will continue to be prevented from performing his daily activities and obtaining the full enjoyment of life; has sustained loss of earnings and earning capacity; and/or has incurred and will continue to incur expenses for medical and psychological treatment, therapy, and counseling.

**COUNT VI**  
**NEGLIGENT FAILURE TO WARN AND/OR INSTRUCT**

147. Plaintiff incorporates all paragraphs of this Complaint as if fully set forth herein.

148. Defendant Order, by and through its agents, servants and employees, knew or reasonably should have known of Defendants Wollmering's, Kelly's and McDonald's dangerous and exploitive propensities and/or that said Defendants were unfit agents.

149. Defendant Order had a duty to warn Plaintiff and his family of said Defendants' dangerous and exploitive propensities.

150. Once Defendant Order became aware of the full extent of Defendant Wollmering's, Kelly's and McDonald's and other known members of Defendant Order's staff's sexual misconduct with numerous victims, Defendant had the duty to contact Plaintiff and instruct him to seek medical and/or psychological assistance if Plaintiff was a victim of said Defendants and/or a victim of other known members of Defendant Order's staff's sexual misconduct.

151. Defendant Order negligently failed to provide adequate warning to Plaintiff and his family of Defendants Wollmering, Kelly and McDonald and/or other known members of Defendant

Order's staff's dangerous propensities and unfitness.

152. Defendant Order negligently failed to properly contact Plaintiff and instruct him to seek medical and/or psychological assistance if Plaintiff was a victim of sexual misconduct by Defendants Wollmering, Kelly and McDonald and/or other members of Defendant Order's staff who had direct contact with students.

153. As a result of the above-described conduct, Plaintiff has suffered, and continues to suffer great pain of mind and body, shock, emotional distress, physical manifestations of emotional distress, embarrassment, loss of self-esteem, disgrace, humiliation, and loss of enjoyment of life; was prevented and will continue to be prevented from performing his daily activities and obtaining the full enjoyment of life; has sustained loss of earnings and earning capacity; and/or has incurred and will continue to incur expenses for medical and psychological treatment, therapy, and counseling.

#### COUNT VII - VICARIOUS LIABILITY

154. Plaintiff incorporates all paragraphs of this Complaint as if fully set forth herein.

155. At all times material, Defendants Wollmering, Kelly and McDonald were employed by Defendant Order. Said Defendants were under Defendant Order's direct supervision, employ and control when they committed the wrongful acts alleged herein. Said Defendants engaged in this conduct while acting in the course and scope of their employment with Defendant Order and/or accomplished the sexual abuse alleged herein by virtue of their job-created authority. Therefore, Defendant Order is liable for the wrongful conduct of Defendants Wollmering, Kelly and McDonald under the law of vicarious liability, including the doctrine of respondeat superior.

156. As a result of the above-described conduct, Plaintiff has suffered, and continues to suffer great pain of mind and body, shock, emotional distress, physical manifestations of emotional

distress, embarrassment, loss of self-esteem, disgrace, humiliation, and loss of enjoyment of life; was prevented and will continue to be prevented from performing his daily activities and obtaining the full enjoyment of life; has sustained loss of earnings and earning capacity; and/or has incurred and will continue to incur expenses for medical and psychological treatment, therapy, and counseling.

**COUNT VIII - COUNT II: DEFENDANT BRUCE WOLLMERING -  
VIOLATION OF MINNESOTA STATUTE § 148A.02**

Plaintiff, for his eighth cause of action, alleges as follows:

Plaintiff John Doe HK incorporates all paragraphs of this Complaint as if fully set forth under this count and further alleges:

157. By providing therapeutic care to Plaintiff John Doe HK, and by engaging in sexual misconduct with Plaintiff John Doe HK, Defendant Wollmering violated Minn. Stat. §148A.02.

158. As a proximate result of Defendant's conduct, Plaintiff has suffered the injuries and damages described herein.

**COUNT IX - DEFENDANT ARCHDIOCESE -  
VIOLATION OF MINN. STAT. §148A.03**

Plaintiff John Doe HK, for his cause of action against Defendant Order, alleges as follows:

Plaintiff John Doe HK incorporates all paragraphs of this Complaint as if fully set forth under this count and further alleges:

159. By failing to take reasonable action to protect the public and Plaintiff John Doe HK from sexual exploitation by its agent and/or employee Defendant Wollmering, when the Defendant Order knew or had reason to know of the dangerous propensities of Defendant Wollmering, Defendant Order violated Minn. Stat. §148A.03.

160. As a result of Defendant Order's conduct, in violation of Minn. Stat. §148A.03,

Plaintiff John Doe HK has suffered the injuries and damages described herein.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff demands judgment against Defendants individually, jointly and severally in an amount in excess of \$50,000.00, plus costs, disbursements, reasonable attorney's fees, interest, and whatever relief the court deems just and equitable.

Dated: 5/12/06

JEFF ANDERSON & ASSOCIATES, P.A.



By Jeffrey R. Anderson, #2057

Attorney for Plaintiff

E-1000 First National Bank Bldg.

332 Minnesota Street

St. Paul, Minnesota 55101

(651) 227-9990

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT**

The undersigned hereby acknowledges that sanctions, including costs, disbursements, and reasonable attorney fees may be awarded pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 549.211 to the party against whom the allegations in this pleading are asserted.



**Jeff Anderson & Associates, P.A.**

E-1000 First National Bank Building  
332 Minnesota Street  
St. Paul, MN 55101

Mr. Jeff Anderson:

I was a student at St. John's University between the years 1982 and 1986. During the summer of my junior and senior years (1985) at St. John's I worked a summer job in the university office of Counseling and Career services.

As a Career Assistant, I sat in on a few meetings and activities with the regular staff in the Counseling offices. It was during this time that I became acquainted with Fr. Finian McDonald. At that time the Counseling and Career Services offices were located on the same floor, around the corner from the Offices of Academic Advising. I recall that Fr. Finian was the Dean of Academic Advising.

From time to time Fr. Finian would stop into the Career Center and talk with me during my work day. On one occasion he came into the Career Center and spoke with me. I spoke of being sore from some physical activity. Fr. Finian asked me if I would like to have him give me a massage. He explained that he had lived in Japan for a while and learned how to give great massages. I accepted his offer. Fr. Finian was also a Faculty Resident and so had his living quarters in the dormitory. He told me to come to his dorm room that evening at a fixed time.

I showed up at Fr. Finian's dorm room. I had not previously been there. Fr. Finian suggested that to make myself relaxed and more comfortable that I take a hot shower before the massage. I did as he suggested. After the shower he directed me to lie on some towels he had spread out on the floor. I was naked. I lay down on my stomach side and he massaged my entire back side. After he was finished he told me to turn over onto my back so he could continue to massage me from the front. I did as he said. He massaged my chest, stomach and legs. He then asked me if I would like him to massage my penis. I told him I would not be comfortable with that. He did not touch my genitals. The massage ended fairly soon after that.

That is the only inappropriate experience I can recall involving Finian McDonald.

Sincerely,

**Abbot John Klassen's private account**

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**From:**  
**Sent:** Monday, June 12, 2006 9:09 PM  
**To:** Abbot John Klassen's private account  
**Subject:** Re: Thank you for your note...

Hi Abbot John--

I would like to offer my assistance in anyway I can to anyone who may need assistance. Even as a confidant or support person. Do keep me in mind!

GOD BLESS,

*Abbot John Klassen's private account <JBK@CSBSJU.EDU> wrote:*

Hello

Thank you for your update. I am very grateful to know that your family situation is going better. You are saying a mouthful when you note that the healing process takes a lifetime "it is so easy to overlook the small, graces steps on that journey. I am grateful to you that you are engaged in a group process and that you son and daughter are also in recovery. Be assured of my thoughts and prayers for you, for your family, and for all those who have been victims of my monastic brothers.

I have to follow your footsteps in taking one step at a time. As a community we are making progress, bit by bit, in healing, and in understanding the dynamics in the community that made it possible for sexual abuse to occur. It is unlikely that we will ever understand it completely "it is so complex, but I want to make sure that we don't miss the signals in the future that something is awry.

Blessings on you on your " peace, John

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**From:**  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 10, 2006 10:24 AM  
**To:** Abbot John Klassen's private account  
**Subject:** HI From

6-10-06

Hi Abbot John:

I came across your letter and correspondence form November of 2004...I wanted to let you know that we are doing very well, thanks to your support! The healing process likely takes a lifetime, yet I and my kids are in the best place we have been since I can remember.

I attend a weekly support group for survivors and offernders, my

ounseling Center is still alive and is working very hard to keep us going.

Again looking back to 2004, it was indeed a time of crisis for myself and my family.

6/13/2006

I feel thankful and blessed and humbled to be where I now. I hope all is well with you and the Abbey.

Peace,

*Abbot John Klassen's private account <JBK@CSBSJU.EDU> wrote:*

Dea

I apologize for the lateness of this response to your request for further assistance. I have shared the request with a number of decision makers in the abbey, trying to position the abbey for a positive response at this time. Unfortunately I have not been successful. Surely my not getting back to you before I went on the trip with the Bible project was due to my conflicted sense of this situation. I want to assure that I have heard your request and I take it seriously.

The simple fact of the matter is that our abbey is in serious financial condition right now. We have run a significant deficit for three years running. We are in mediation right now for further claims against us, our earning power is decreasing with an aging population while health care costs for our elderly members climb. This is the story everywhere, of course â€" I am not trying to gather your sympathy but rather your understanding.

We do not have resources available for a loan at this time. We do not have those kind of resources. You may have seen a clip on the Saint John's Bible â€" a 4 million dollar project. This project is not running out of the abbey resources but out of gifts to the University that are specifically designated for this project.

I want to assure you that I am deeply and personally grieved by the impact that the sexually inappropriate acts of my two confreres has had on your life. I will continue in conversation with our leadership to see if something can be worked out to your benefit.

Respectfully, +John

6/13/2006



Freshman Academic Director St. John's University	1963 – 1967
Director of Business Placement St. John's University	1963 – 1967
Director of Counseling St. John's University	1968 – 1971
Counseling Center Staff St. John's University	1968 – 1980
Director of Counseling St. John's University	1980 – 1982
Faculty Resident (2 <sup>nd</sup> Patrick) St. John's University	1980 – 1982
Sabbatical Year Japan and Israel	1982 – 1983
Director of Academic Advising St. John's University	1983 – 1988
Missionary/Monk St. Anselm's Priory Tokyo, Japan	1988 – 1992
Abbey Personnel Liaison St. John's Abbey	1993 – 1998
Missionary Monk St. Augustine's Monastery	1998 (August 15 - January 7, 1999) 2000 (February 15 – April 15)
Missionary Monk Holy Trinity Priory Fujimi, Japan	1999 (January 26 – June 30)
Sacristy and barbering Saint John's Abbey	1999 - present

**COMMUNITY SERVICE AND EXPERIENCES OF LEADERSHIP:**

Head Barber  
St. John's Abbey                      1963 - present

Assistant Sacristan  
St. John's Abbey                      1992 - present

**INTERESTS OR HOBBIES**

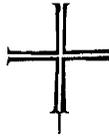
Gardening  
Environmental Design and Decorations  
Flower Arrangement  
Bicycling  
Clowning  
Resident Abbey Humorist

**AWARDS**

**SOME DAY I WOULD LIKE TO HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO:**

**MY MAIN ASPIRATION OR FAVORITE DREAM IN LIFE IS TO:**

**SOME SIGNIFICANT PERSONAL GROWTH EXPERIENCES ARE:**



SAINT JOHN'S ABBEY

Office of the Abbot

August 23, 2006

Father Finian McDonald, OSB  
Saint John's Abbey

Dear Finian:

I am returning this document to you and there are no other copies of it anywhere in the files. As you know, it is a privileged communication between you and your attorney, Father Dan Ward. How it ever got into your file in the abbot's office is unknown to me.

Sincerely,

Abbot John Klassen, OSB

enclosure: Memorandum

9-04-06

Dear Finian —

At the CMSM meeting an official from CIELSAL asked me to let you know that the Congregation is working diligently on your request.

Sincerely, I John

September 8, 2006

Father Finian McDonald, OSB  
Saint John's Abbey

Dear Finian,

With the enclosure I am including a draft of a safety plan that builds on the work that you have been doing since your treatment at Saint Luke Institute. Per the ruling from the Congregation for Institutes of Consecrated Life and Societies of Apostolic Life (CICLSAL), this plan will be re-evaluated in July of 2008.

Sincerely,

Abbot John Klassen, OSB

enclosure: Safety plan

### **Safety Plan - Draft**

The following safety plan emerged out of Father Finian's program of recovery at Saint Luke Institute and has been in place for some time.

1. Father Finian is not to visit the SJU student residences nor to frequent areas where University students generally are present, such as Sexton Commons, and the Warner Palaestra or dining rooms. He is not to have social relationships or individual contact with students, young males under 21 or vulnerable adults on the Saint John's campus or off campus in any setting. This includes adults in a vulnerable position of counselee or who are emotionally vulnerable.
2. Father Finian is not to visit the buildings of St. John's Preparatory School nor to associate with these students.
3. Appropriate work is that which does not place Father Finian in a position of authority and does not require a solitary working relationship with minor age males or vulnerable adult males.
4. The Prior (as supervisor) is to be informed of off-campus visits (specific destination, departure and return times) and appropriate permission is to be requested. The superior has the authority to deny the request.
5. Father Finian is to have a monthly review of the elements of supervision with the supervisor.

### **Recovery Activities**

1. Active participation in the Sex Addicts Anonymous (SAA) twelve step program. This meets every Saturday morning at the St. Cloud Hospital.
2. A regular "check in" with my 12th step sponsor.
3. Scheduled sessions with my Spiritual Director.
4. Monthly visit with a priest from the St. Cloud Diocese who values and respects this mutual exchange of our lives as fellow 'wounded healers.'
5. Bi-weekly appointment with a professional massage specialist in the St. Cloud area.
6. A cadre of close monastic friends whom I talk to, keep informed, and allow and expect them to give me feed-back, suggestions, and support.

7. Regular participation in prayer, Eucharist, and other community exercises.
8. Appropriate communication with my legal counsel.
9. I have made it a point to inform a number of members of the Abbot's staff about what is happening in my monastic and recovery life.

**Signatures**

_____ Steven Sawyer, LICSW, CGP	_____ Date
_____ Father Finian McDonald	_____ Date
_____ Abbot John Klassen	_____ Date
_____ Supervisor	_____ Date
_____ Review Board	_____ Date

Posted on Fri, Sep. 08, 2006

## Archdiocese finds old abuse records

### BRIEFING: TWIN CITIES

After a new search of its files, the Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis has found records indicating that a man did come forward eight years ago alleging he was abused as a teenager in the 1970s by the Rev. Michael Bik, before the priest was ordained.

The archdiocese had said last week it hadn't heard of Bik until an announcement in July by St. John's Abbey saying Bik had been accused in 1997 of molesting two teenage boys two decades earlier. Bik is a monk of the abbey in Collegeville, Minn.

Archdiocese spokesman Dennis McGrath said a further search of records indicated that an alleged victim of Bik, requesting anonymity, met with Archbishop Harry Flynn in 1998. Flynn subsequently relayed the information to the abbey, McGrath said.

Although not a priest of the archdiocese, Bik formerly taught at St. Stephen's Catholic School in Anoka.

A member of the St. John's abuse-review board quit three weeks ago protesting that the abbey and archdiocese kept silent for nine years about allegations against Bik and two other recently identified abbey monks.

**Abbot John Klassen's private account**

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**From:** McDonald, Finian  
**Sent:** Sunday, November 19, 2006 9:29 AM  
**To:** JBK@csbsju.edu  
**Subject:** Mel Taylor request

Abbot John: Fr Mel would appreciate someone to come down and live at St. Augustine's for a few weeks and he would like to have me join him. As you know, at this point of 'their uncertain history', he shuttles back and forth from his assigned parish, Sacred Heart, and both lives and tries to keep alive the Monastery on the hill. I think he's stressed out with this 'complicated and dual role' and would appreciate a helpful friend. I would like to leave on Dec 27th and remain until about the 14th of January. These dates would allow me to be at St. John's for Christmas...for both sacristy work and for decorating the church for Christmas. This would permit me to also attend the annual Junkakoo festival in Nassau on January 1st. Recovery-wise, I would follow the same Safety Plan which you have on file...permissions as to my whereabouts to Fr. Mel and be accountable for him for my recovery program. Fr Preston has been by guide and spiritual director in my past visits so I would continue to count on his wisdom. I also have several friends who are in the program who act as sponsors and supportive friends.... Br. Benedict will be down there for a few days in mid January..It would be nice to over-lap his visit. I have also spoken to him about this plan. The sooner you are able to respond would be helpful is buying a cheaper air ticket. Thanks for this consideration....Finian I am sending a copy of this letter to the Prior, Sub-prior and Br. Benedict

*I gave Finian permission to be in the Bohannon  
from Dec 27 - 7 Jan 07, with no side expenses.  
11/22/06*

11/22/2006

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**Abbot John Klassen's private account**

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**From:** McDonald, Finian  
**Sent:** Sunday, June 17, 2007 9:21 AM  
**To:** Abbot John Klassen's private account  
**Subject:** RE: Rome session for Theological Reflection/Refreshment

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**Sent:** Monday, June 11, 2007 8:58 AM  
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**Abbot John Klassen's private account**

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**From:** robert mcdonald [  
**Sent:** Friday, June 22, 2007 8:52 PM  
**To:** Primas

Dear Abbot Primate: I am a monk of St. John's Abbey at Collegeville. On one of your past visits we did chat briefly but I'm sure you won't remember. Anyway, Abbot John is asking me to find out more information about the Recyclage program for next April 2008. It was my intention to attend last year on the 50th anniversary of my profession, but, alas, you did not have the program last year. A friend of mine, Fr. Tom Gillespie attended the last program which you presented. He spoke highly of this experience and has encouraged me to apply. I have communicated to Abbot John that I would like to attend ...a time of enrichment to both my monastic life and a renewed perspective in my continuing life in recovery. Brother Paul Vincent Niebauer, OSB, our present Vocation Director, has already asked the Abbot for permission to attend Recyclage for 2008...he has been granted this but as yet received no reply from Fr. Michael Naughton. Paul Vincent is happy that I would plan to join him and we are both excited about this "Roman Journey". Friends I know are Michael N, of course, and Francisco Schulte, and Luigi Bertocci. Feel free to ask them if references are needed. Back to the purpose of this letter...can you write me the tentative dates, the cost of the program, and any other facts you think I should know at this time and other information that would be helpful to Abbot John or myself for finalizing this application. If I should be contacting someone else, please direct me. Feast of St. John the Baptist, Fr Finian McDonald OSB...peace to you. Please let me know if you have received this E-mail...I'm not too sure about this computer I'm typing this on. Thanks .... I will be sending a copy of this letter to Abbot John, Fr. Michael Naughton, and to Br Paul Vincent Neibauer.

Yahoo! oneSearch: Finally, mobile search that gives answers, not web links.

## **Abbot John Klassen's private account**

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**From:** McDonald, Finian  
**Sent:** Tuesday, November 20, 2007 8:06 AM  
**To:** McDonald, Finian;  
**Subject:** RE: Rome session for Theological Reflection/Refreshment

You had requested earlier the 'rough price' of the Rome experience...here is what I sent to you June 17th...Thanks.  
Finian

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Vatican, 13 August 2008

Prot. N. 39038/2005

Dear Abbot Kelly,

We write to you regarding the case of Fr. Finian Mc Donald a member of St. John's Abbey in Collegeville, Minnesota.

Following failed attempts to resolve grievances leveled against Abbot John Klassen by Fr. Mc Donald, on February 4, 2005, you forwarded information to this Congregation asking us to receive your petition for adjudication of the matter.

After having received information from Abbot Klassen and having studied all the documentation provided, this Dicastery offered its response on March 7, 2006

On April 17, 2006, within "tempus utile", Fr. Mc Donald wrote to the Dicastery asking for an emendation of the decree. Not having received a response from this Dicastery, Fr. McDonald resubmitted the request for emendation in April of 2008. The request, with a clarification that Fr. McDonald's case dealt not with minors but with adults was again resubmitted in July of 2008.

Fr. McDonald attests that the restrictions placed upon him by Abbot Klassen are penalties which are being unjustly opposed.

While this Dicastery recognizes the complication of the matter and Abbot Klassen's desire to apply restrictions to all who have had accusation of violations of the vow of chastity both with minors and adults leveled against them, in the case of Fr. McDonald the following must be taken into account:

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ABBOT TIMOTHY D. KELLY, OSB  
Abbot President  
American Cassinese Congregation  
St John's Abbey  
Box 2015  
Collegeville Minnesota 56321-2015  
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1. Fr. McDonald's case is not a case of sexual abuse of a minor.
2. Following his accusation, Fr. McDonald participated in a program in St. Luke's Institute.
3. He also participated in a five year follow up program
4. The allegations were made in the early 1990's stating that Fr. McDonald was "involved in illicit sexual relations some 20 years before with adults".
5. There have been no recent accusations leveled against Fr. McDonald.
6. Fr. McDonald, now nearing 80 yrs old, carried on successful ministry under two other Abbots following his program at St Luke's.

In light of the above, this Congregation for Institutes of Consecrated Life and Societies of Apostolic Life, directs you as Abbot President to facilitate a dialogue between Abbot Klassen and Fr McDonald, with whoever else they deem necessary to be present to once again seek to address the issue of restrictions and to arrive at solutions acceptable to both parties in a spirit of Christian communion.

In the event that this dialogue fails to produce the desired results, as Abbot President, you are to intervene and make decisions regarding the restrictions placed on Fr. McDonald's ministry and movement (cf. Can. 57).

We ask that you kindly inform this Dicastery of the actions undertaken in response to this communication.

May the Lord abundantly bless you and all the members of the Benedictine Community.

Sincerely in Christ,

+  Gianfranco A. Gardin, OFM Conv.

Archbishop Secretary

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Office of the President

September 11, 2008

Right Reverend John Klassen, O.S.B.  
Abbot  
Saint John's Abbey  
Collegeville, Minnesota 56321-2015

Dear Abbot John:

I REQUEST THAT ALL RECIPIENTS OF THIS LETTER AND THE ACCOMPANING  
LETTER KEEP THEM STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE:

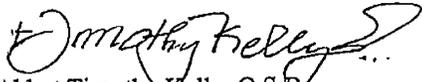
Even though the date on the enclosed letter is 13 August 2008, I received it this morning. It comes from the Congregation for Institutes of Consecrated Life and Societies of Apostolic Life and signed by the Archbishop Secretary of that Congregation.

Although there are directions given in the letter that I am to follow, I will ask the Congregation to allow me to recuse myself as former abbot of Saint John's and as member of this community. I will propose to the Secretary a name of one of my council members to take my place in this process.

I will copy this letter to Father Finian McDonald, O.S.B. and Sister Lynn McKenzie, O.S.B., as well as to whoever on my council agrees to substitute for me.

I will keep you informed of any changes that will be made.

Sincerely in Christ,



Abbot Timothy Kelly, O.S.B.  
President

Copies: Father Finian McDonald, O.S.B.  
Sister Lynn McKenzie, O.S.B.

Oliver, Richard

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From: Kelly, Timothy  
Sent: Tuesday, September 30, 2008 9:39 PM  
To:  
Subject: Delegate

Dear Abbot Hugh,

While in Rome I requested to be able to delegate to another the pursuit of and administration of the decision made by the Congregation for Religious in the case of Father Finian McDonald. The response was that a new decree need not be given because I already have the right to delegate. So you can proceed in making arrangements to meet with Abbot John and Father Finian. I don't know if Finian wants his canon lawyer to be included but I am sure he will be in contact with her to determine if it would be necessary. You can make contact with Abbot John at [redacted] (secretary's number) and with Father Finian at [redacted]. The abbot's e-mail is [redacted]; and Finian's is [redacted]. If there is any way I can be of help contact me. I'll be here through October 9.

Abbot Timothy



# Benedictine University

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Received  
OCT 10 2008  
Office of the Abbot

October 6, 2008

Abbot John Klassen, OSB  
St John's Abbey  
Collegeville, MN 56321-2015

Dear Abbot John,

In the dispute between you and Fr. Finian McDonald the decree of the Congregation for Institutes of Consecrated Life and for Societies of Apostolic Life has agreed with the petition made by Father Finian McDonald but also knows the need to address that finding so that the Saint John's community is able to protect itself from destructive publicity. The Congregation has asked the President of the American-Cassinese Congregation to mediate in this regard, and the president has recused himself and has deputed me to act as the mediator. I would like to arrange a time when I can meet with both of you so that we can discuss an arrangement satisfactory to all. If Father Finian would like to have his canon lawyer present I am open to that. I will be contacting both of you for an agreeable time and place for the mediation. In the meantime let us keep each other in prayer that a successful and just decision will be made.

Sincerely,

Abbot Hugh R. Anderson, OSB

Cc: Abbot Timothy Kelly

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**Abbot John Klassen's private account**

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**From:** Ryan, Kelly  
**Sent:** Saturday, January 17, 2009 9:56 AM  
**To:** Abbot John Klassen's private account  
**Subject:** Abbot Hugh Anderson

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Director of University Ministry

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Dispute Meeting  
January 19, 2009  
Abbey Parlor  
9:30 – 10:30a.m.

Present:

Abbot John Klassen, OSB  
Fr. Finian Mc Donald, OSB  
Sr. Lynn Mc Kenzie, OSB  
Abbot Hugh Anderson, OSB, facilitator

The meeting opened with a prayer led by Abbot Hugh.

Fr. Finian was invited to share what he would like to see happen to bring about a resolution to the dispute between himself and Abbot John. He would like:

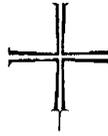
1. to be able to publically celebrate the Eucharist when he is away from St John's and the greater Minneapolis St Paul area and there is no possibility of notoriety; this would be in such places as the Bahamas and European holy shrines  
-Abbot John approved of this request.
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Fr Finian assured Abbot John that he would continue his safety plan that is up for review in May 2009. Abbot John thanked, encouraged, offered his support and expressed his gratefulness to Finian for his faithful following of the plan.

Abbot Hugh told the participants that he would write a report for the Congregation for Institutes of Consecrated Life and Societies of Apostolic Life and give the report to Abbot Timothy Kelly and leave it to him to distribute the report to whomever he wished.

We praise God that this dispute ended with understanding and charity.





SAINT JOHN'S ABBEY

20 January 2009

Congregation for Institutes of Consecrated Life  
and Societies of Apostolic Life

Prot. N. 39038/2005

The Most Rev. Gianfranco A. Gardin, OFM Conv.:

I was delegated by Abbot Timothy Kelly, President of the American Cassinese Congregation, to facilitate a dialogue between Abbot John Klassen, Abbot of St John's Abbey in Collegeville, MN, and his confrere Rev. Finian Mc Donald and "to arrive at solutions acceptable to both parties in a spirit of Christian communion." I met with Abbot John on Sunday morning, January 18, 2009 and I met with Fr Finian and his canon lawyer Sr. Lynn McKenzie in the afternoon of the same day so that I might understand the issues. After making sure I understood Fr. Finian's objections to the restrictions imposed on him I got permission from him to share these with Abbot John. This I did and arranged for a meeting the following morning, Monday, January 19. At this meeting Fr. Finian requested the following:

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Thus we arrived at solutions acceptable to both parties in a spirit of Christian communion.

Respectfully Submitted by

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Hugh R. Anderson, OSB". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned directly below the text "Respectfully Submitted by".

Abbot Hugh R. Anderson, OSB (Ret.)  
St Procopius Abbey  
Lisle, IL 60532

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## AMERICAN-CASSINESE CONGREGATION

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Office of the President

February 11, 2009

RE: Prot. N. 39038/2005

The Most Reverend Gianfranco A. Gardin, OFM Conv.  
Archbishop Secretary  
Congregation for Institutes of Consecrated Life and for  
Societies of Apostolic Life  
Piazza Pio XII, 3  
00193 Roma, ITALY

Most Reverend and dear Archbishop Gardin:

At your request, addressed to me by letter of 13 August 2008, you directed me "as Abbot President to facilitate a dialogue between Abbot Klassen and Fr. McDonald. . . to once again seek to address the issue of restrictions and to arrive at solutions acceptable to both parties in a spirit of Christian communion."

Because I am the former abbot of Saint John's Abbey and a confrere of Fr Finian McDonald in the same abbey, I requested that my first councilor for the American-Cassinese Congregation take my place in this process of conciliation. Abbot Emeritus Hugh Anderson, OSB, of Saint Procopius Abbey, Lisle, Illinois, U.S.A., my elected first counselor, agreed to facilitate the dialogue and, if warranted, "to intervene and make decisions regarding the restrictions placed on Fr. McDonald's ministry and movement. . ."

Abbot Hugh Anderson met with Abbot John Klassen and Father Finian McDonald and his canonist separately and together, and arrived at a solution agreed on by all. I am satisfied that what you requested of me has been fulfilled and done so in the spirit of Christian communion.

As I copy this letter to those who participated in this process I assure them that was agreed on now is the mandate that is to be carried out in the future in this case.

On behalf of the American-Cassinese Congregation I thank you for your kind aid and assure you of our prayers for you and the labors of your Congregation.

Sincerely in Christ,



Right Reverend Timothy Kelly, OSB  
Abbot President



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Received  
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Vatican City, 26 February 2009

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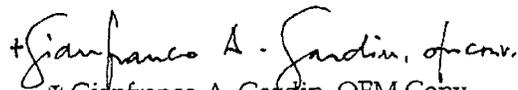
Your letter of February 11, 2009, informing this Dicastery of the results of the process of conciliation between Fr. Finian McDonald and Abbot John Klassen, has been received in this Congregation for Institutes of Consecrated Life and Societies of Apostolic life. Thank you for having forwarded this information.

We were very pleased to learn of the positive results of that conciliation process.

Please extend this Dicastery's sincere thanks to Abbot Emeritus Hugh Anderson, OSB for his work as mediator and also to Fr. McDonald and Abbot Klassen for their willingness to arrive at a mutually accepted agreement.

May the Lord abundantly bless you in your ministry of leadership. May this Lenten season be an opportunity for true growth in holiness for all the members of the American-Cassinense Congregation of Benedictines.

Sincerely in Christ,

  
✠ Gianfranco A. Gardin, OFM Conv.  
Archbishop Secretary

RIGHT REVEREND TIMOTHY D. KELLY, OSB  
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American-Cassinense Congregation  
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## **Abbot John Klassen's private account**

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**From:** Sister Lynn [s]  
**Sent:** Monday, March 09, 2009 11:22 AM  
**To:** Abbot John Klassen's private account  
**Subject:** bill for professional services for Finian McDonald  
**Attachments:** bill for fees from 12-1-04 through 2-1-09.doc

Dear Abbot John,

I apologize for the tardiness in getting this bill to you, since we completed this case at the end of January 2009. (At least, it is my judgement that the case is completed -- I suppose it is possible that we could hear something else back from CICALSAL once Abbot Hugh send his report. Hopefully, though, it is all behind us.)

Thank you for your cooperation in all of this in Finian's regard. I know that it has been challenging at times, but I appreciate your good faith in getting this resolved. I was very appreciative of Abbot Hugh's involvement.

May this Lenten season bring peace and reconciliation. Of course, it is a lifelong process and effort, as we all know.

God bless you for your continued ministry of leadership and authority, Abbot John. Next time we meet, hopefully it will not be contentious! All the best!

Lynn McKenzie, osb

March 9, 2009

**Bill for Canonical Services to Fr. Finian McDonald by S. Lynn M. McKenzie, OSB**

Review of various documents	2.5 hours
Correspondence	20.45
Telephone conferences	3.5
Research	10
Preparation of documents	17.5
Meetings	8
Travel time (road and air time)	18

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TOTAL HOURS 79.95 hours

Rate= \$75/hour

79.95 X \$75 = \$5,996.25

Payable to: S. Lynn McKenzie  
916 Convent Rd, NE  
Cullman, AL 35055

Copies: Right Reverend Hugh Anderson, OSB  
Right Reverend John B. Klassen, OSB  
Reverend Father Finian McDonald, OSB  
Sister Lynn McKenzie, OSB

**Oliver, Richard**

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**From:** McDonald, Finian  
**Sent:** Sunday, April 05, 2009 11:39 AM  
**To:** Klassen, John; McGlothlin, Eugene; Phillips, Jim; Taylor, Mel; McGraw, Rene; Manahan, David; Ward, Dan; Andert, Tom; Connolly, Isaac; Richards, Paul; Sullivan, Peter; Bertocchi, Luigi; Kelly, Timothy;  
**Subject:** garden for eugene and gardens of Rome for the rest...

Hi from Rome: Today was beautiful...warm with blue sky. After a sparse Roman breakfast I headed for the Vatican and St. Peter's. The Palm Sunday liturgy started at 9:30 ...I was there at 8:30 ...as expected there were thousands already there. I was in black so I saw a group of seminarians in their full regalia heading toward the front...holding green special cards..I stuck by them thru two check points, was waved through, and was finally ushered to the second to the front row..crowded into a bunch of those blue striped sisters of Mother Theresa. It was wonderful...I could see everything...the sky was blue and the front of St. Peter's was awesome.Soon the Pope arrived..the crowd went wild...he was walking thru the crowds holding the Book of Reading over his head..by this time there were millions, it seemed..the square was filled and the crowd extended way down to the bridge. Anyway, the whole affair lasted til 12:30 noonish. As the pope passed by in his pope mobile, I was about six feet from him..security all around him, of course..I must admit, it was a thrill. The Pope yelled out, 'Finian, I've heard alot about you from my other dyasterys, I'm glad it's settled. Now just behave yourself'.... It was sweet of him, but I was so embarrassed in front of the Sisters. I've been busy since arriving...although I thought I wouldn't get out with the snow storm. The first day Allan took me to see St. John's outside the Wall..it was indeed impressive...much larger than I thought...unimpressive from the outside but magnificent simplicity on the inside..the next day Bill Skudlarek asked me if I wanted to go to Subiaco along with Ann Marie, a mennonite preacher from Holland..a lovely bus ride through the country side...all the trees are in bloom and flowers are everywhere..Spring has really arrived. Francisco was at the bus stop to meet us...he gave us VIP treatment all the way thru Sante Speco on the top of the hill to St. Scholastica's monastery on the bottom of the hill. It was not only impressive but he gave such a quiet inspirational twist to it. The view of the valley was glorious. The buildings that were attached to the side of the hill surrounding the Cave where Benedict lived for three years after 'fleeing' from Rome were ingeniously constructed..Very beautiful. I could write about the grande lunch he had served for us on the porch of Sante Speco, the view over the valley, the pasta, the omlet, and the desserts, but I will skip all of this. The day was filled..alot of climbing. We returned in time for prayer and supper..around 7PM.

I'm so thankful to be here...it seems like such a gift to be enjoying all of this...so far, I'm flying high and spirit, and my health is doing fine...another gift. It's good to be with Michael, Joseph, Allan, William, and Pat Regan...this really helps when one lands in a strange community. With a snow storm arriving and dire economy, I just 'got out in time'...ha ha.

I guess the next paragraph of this letter pertains to Eugene but the others can read if they want to: I wanted to rake all of the garden before I left but the storm prevented me. If you can..please have someone rake the rest of it, clip the dead stuff that are still there from the previous fall, but do not clip that crooked bush at the lake end. If you don't do it soon, the blubs will start to

really come thru the mulch and you won't be able to rake...have Tom G help you by assigning one of the guys that are there for Holy Week. And for the rest just tend to it as you see fit...remembering that all the plants that are coming thru are not weeds but perennials from the year before...Thanks, Eugene, for taking care of this...it shouldn't be much work...don't be planting any pot, there was trouble the previous year. ha ha.

This letter head became a little more inclusive than I thought it would be, but I wanted all of you to hear of the wonderful things that are happening to me. It is such a thrill to be in Rome, especially during this week. The city seems to be alive with Spring and warm weather..the view from my room is overlooking part of the city...it's like the tour books and tv commercials show you. I'm hearing the news from home so I don't feel far away. Keep up the good work..you have a busy week also...let's remember each other in prayer...peace to all of you and mucho affection from a grateful finian....

**Oliver, Richard**

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**From:** McDonald, Finian  
**Sent:** Saturday, April 11, 2009 5:43 AM  
**To:** Maier, Brennan; Andert, Tom; bdfische@live.com; Bertocchi, Luigi; Connolly, Isaac; fhoefgen@yahoo.com; john@acupuncturenaturalhealth.com; Kelly, Timothy; Klassen, John; Manahan, David; McGlothlin, Eugene; McGraw, Rene; Taylor, Mel; Ward, Dan; gratio@aol.com; Phillips, Jim; Sullivan, Peter; Oliver, Richard; sebastian@conception.edu; sim@knight-griffith.com  
**Subject:** RE: How much did you feel the earthquake???

Apologies to Brennen...I'm useing your letter to piggy back on...it's the only way I know..so, to you and to the rest I send fond greetings from Rome...it is ten days since I've arrived and it seems like yesterday...I've really been on the go..Yesterday I attended good friday sevices at the Vatican..I've managed to get special tickets to all of these events so far..this gets me into the assigned area but I do manage to wiggle myself up closer...albiet, it is a challenge. Starting with Palm Sunday, I've attended every service so far...they were all at St. Peter's except Holy Thursday in which the Pope says mass at his other major bacilica, St. John Laterene...another masterpiece of architecturee.. I got a very good view of him..he was returning from the altar of repose, I was right next to the railing, four feet from him, when he passed me, I yelled, 'hello' in a voice he could hear...he looked at me and smiled...it was fun and I must admit, a thrill. He probably thought, the nerdy american priest...again, I have to comment on Spring...even more trees and flowers are blooming...people are strolling in all the streets and sidewalk coffee shops are everywhere a chair can fit iinto the small spaces..we got thru the second wave of the earthquake...the lights in our monastic refectory were even slightly swaying at supper...it reminded me of being in Japan. The Italians seem to take it in stide so they must be used to it. The big one was north of us...terrible ..many deathhs. Happy the Deanery sessions seemed to go so well...Yes, I hope Peter Sullivan does well when he come back to us..and pleased that Paul Richards is keeping a supporting hand on his shoulder..hello Peter, sorry I wont be there when you return..your recovery is in my prayers...Michael is doing a greaat job as Prior...he's presiding all the time as the Primate is frequently away...every one here is friendly and helpful..It was good to see Allan Bouley here when I arrived...we did some wonderful tours together..he seemed to love Rome...as I am getting to love it more and more..it's magical and mystical...history is all around you and ruiins seem to stand side by side with McDonald's hamburger shops...as Abbot Alcuin used to say...'it's awesome'. The other day I was touring for the first time the Bacilica of St. Mary Major...walking thru the dark apses of this giant church of architecture, there was a little wooden confessional with a red light glowing over a sign that read 'English'...I said to God, 'no', and continued on my way...but the spirit was nagging me and at the end of my wanderings I went back to the dark alcove and the light was still on...the bottom line is, in that circle of the church, I was thinking what I would have said in a general confession...so I was prepared for the spirit when He<She said....'get your ass in there, finian...it's your time'...It was a moment of grace..He his english was perfect and he was a gentle and wise confessor..just what God wanted me to do on this journey. I was in some way, hoping that he would have been hard of hearing and notsa so goode in english but not so...how the Spirit works. I miss not arranging the Easter flowers at St. John's but I'm sure David and his helpers will do a grand job. This second 'log' is getting long...I hope you don't mind my communicating with you this way...not everyone is on the list as I would like and I would like to

write a much more personal note but ...folks, that's the way it is...hee  
hee...Remember me in your Holy Week Prayers and I shall remember all of  
you...thanks for all your gifts which you have given me...alleluia to you  
all...fiinian \_\_\_\_\_

## Oliver, Richard

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**From:** McDonald, Finian  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 30, 2009 1:50 AM  
**To:** Andert, Tom; Andert, Tom; Bertocchi, Luigi; Connolly, Isaac; Kelly, Timothy; Klassen, John; Kroeker, Kenneth; Maers, Brennan; Manahan, David; McDonnell, Fr. Kilian; McGlothlin, Eugene; McGraw, Rene; Oliver, Richard; Patella, Michael; Pedrizetti, Raymond; Phillips, Jim; Richards, Paul; Taylor, Mel; Ward, Dan; Wolf, George

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**Oliver, Richard**

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**From:** McDonald, Finian  
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**To:** Bertocchi, Luigi; Connolly, Isaac;  
; Kelly, Timothy;  
Klassen, John; Kroeker, Kenneth; Maiers, Brennan; Manahan, David; McDonnell, Fr. Kilian;  
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Jim;  
Richards, Paul; Taylor, Mel; Ward, Dan;  
Wolf, George; Sullivan, Peter  
**Cc:** Andert, Tom  
**Subject:** RE:

I had to leave so suddenly yesterday that I did want to continue this short travel log...we had a wonderful day at Monte Cassino yesterday...Mike N took his car..he's still able to keep his... an in joke..ha ha...so the countryside was spectacular...a good time to have liesure time with him and review our jouneys. For those of you who have been to Monte Cassino, you know what a breathtaking site it is...situated on this high mountain, they have a commanding view of the valley and one can see why this site has been so involved in various wars and political situations...we had the vip treatment..Abbot was there to receive us and the community was very gracious to us...it is sooooo huge ...it was restored entirely to scale and grandure...we had lunch and were briefed on the Pope's planned visit on May 24th...I'm happy to have had this opportunity...we prayed at the tomb of St. Benedict and St. Schlastica...it was a memorable day. Today I'm going to take it fairly easy...tomorrow Brother Mark Kelly sister, who lives in Rome, is going to take me on a day trip to Orvieto...a lovely hill town in Tuscany..it was on my list of places to see...my time is drawing to a close and there is so many places, museums, and churches that I still have on my list...I guess I'll have to save something for later...Abbot please note...for those of you who have been receiving this notes regularly, you know what a treasure this journey has meant for me...each city has been another world of adventure and beauty...Venice was especially impressive...esp my celebrating the Mass with the Cardinal Patriarc over the tomb of St. Mark on the feast of St. Mark...I'm looking forward to my few days in Istanbul and then off to Jerusalem for the program with the St John's school of Theology program...you can see why it is such a gifted opportunity for me. I think of you all and remember you and my community at all the prayer places along the way...I miss having missed Spring at Collegeville but Spring has been spring here too...one can't be everywhere but I giviing it a shot.....I miss my room , my garden, and my orchids, and all of you...I hope you are all well and happy ...pray for my continued good health and energy to enjoy these many adventures ahead...til later, finian of clonard

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**Sent:** Thursday, April 30, 2009 1:49 AM  
**To:** Andert, Tom; Andert, Tom; Bertocchi, Luigi; Connolly, Isaac;  
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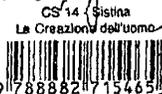
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Office of the Abbot

Abbot John Klassen  
St. John's Abbey  
Collegeville, Mn.  
56321  
USA

Abbot John, I just finished  
writing a card to you my  
Dear Father. So this card  
is for you for allowing this  
great opportunity to be  
happening. It is such a  
gift at this stage of my  
life - but I'm feeling  
that I'm appreciating it  
all the more - my faith is  
growing my spirit keeps soaring.  
Thanks again. It just occurred



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SAA group would  
not approve of  
this card.

Enjoy Spring  
Summer - whenever this card arrives. Amen

**Oliver, Richard**

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**From:** McDonald, Finian  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 12, 2009 11:20 AM  
**To:** Manahan, David; Andert, Tom; Backous, Timothy; bdiertocchi, Luigi; Connolly, Isaac; Brennan, McDonnell; Kelly, Timothy; Richards, Paul; Columba; Ward, Dan; Wolf, George; Patella, Michael; Kroeker, Kenneth; Pedrizetti, Raymond  
**Cc:**  
**Subject:** RE: Where are you?

Dear one and all....I just returned from Istanbul this morning...it's good to be back at St. Anselmo's in Rome...but it's very difficult to write about my experiences of the last seven days.. Now I believe what somebody told me, that you will never be able to capture or put into words what this great and magnificent city does to you...how it captures your mind heart and soul in a uniqueness that I think transcends any city that I have ever visited. ...I can just hear some of the smart remarks that are being uttered with this sentence. A giant city on the Bosphorus Sea with over 14 million people...mostly muslim, a mixture of Kurds, and a mixture of people the world over. Just by chance I got the perfect, little, cheap hotel on the internet. ...one of the appealing qualities on the net was that they would pick you up free at the airport...that gave great comfort arriving in the middle of the evening rush hour...I was right in the heart of the old city...my one hotel window framed the famous Blue Mosque perfectly...the breakfast was served at roof top and the whole city was in view...words really fail...ask anyone who's had the opportunity to see this city...as usual, so many things and people just seem to happen to me...I think every rug salesman in the country tried to sell me a carpet...one just has to get used to this hassle...every one tries to sell you something. One gets confused with having three different currencies to work with , the Euro, dollar, and the Turkish lyra and for someone who wants to make a deal, even I got confused and taken a few times...There is so many historic monuments, churches, mosques, palaces and museums to see that one could never have enough time...I tried to pace myself but it was so difficult...the Blue Mosques call to prayer filled my room at all hours of the day...I compared to the chant of the day. The people were facinating....the muslim women with their Borkas, friday afternoon saying prayer with hundreds of Turkish men in the Mosque, all on pitch, organists please take note...water ferries on the Sea and waters that surround and embrace the city, the Grand Bazaar, which would put Savers to shame....40000 shops under one giant roof...No, I didn't buy something at each shop...Anyway, I could go on and on...I just tried to capture in my mind what I was seeing and experiencing...it was another gift of magnitudes....I feel sorry for having missed Columba when he was in rome for his participating workshop...I understand he's attending another workshop in Assissi ..which I had planned to see this morning afterI arrived in rome..but I was just too tired...It would have been a surprise to see him there....the day after tomorrow I leave for Tel Aviv and the next segment...it was better for me to rest today and tomorrow...one last visit to the Vatican tomorrow if I get packed. I understand Collegeville is lovely at last...I wonder how Eugene is doing with my garden...I miss the tulips...thanks Euge for doing this...and for Paul for taking care of the Orchids on fourth...we will have to think of some way of covering Aered when he leaves soon....and thanks to all of you who have helped make this trip possible in so many ways...I'm grateful...Issac please send a copy of this to Brad and Benedict ..I can't spell their names and it keeps being returned..thanks...probably many more things I should write about..but if it gets much longer you won't read it...god bless you all and know that you are in my prayers wherever they may be said...fiinian

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From: Manahan, David  
Sent: Monday, May 11, 2009 9:12 AM  
To: McDonald, Finian

Subject: Where are you?

Finian: Trust you are back in Rome when you read this. Haven't heard from you all week. Worried a little but hopefully your ok and ready for the next adventure. Ciou. David M

**Oliver, Richard**

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**From:** McDonald, Finian  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 19, 2009 10:27 AM  
**To:** Andert, Tom; Backous, Timothy; Bertocchi, Luigi; Connolly, Isaac; Kelly, Timothy; Kroeker, Kenneth; Klassen, John; Maiers, Brennan; Manahan, David; McDonnell, Fr. Kilian; McGlothlin, Eugene; McGraw, Rene; Pedrizetti, Raymond; Phillips, Jim; Richards, Paul; Sullivan, Peter; Taylor, Mel; Ward, Dan; Whalen, Dan; Wolf, George

Hi all...this is going to be a very short note...I'm in the old city in jerusalem, and in the jewish quarter...we just finished a very busy day...we started at 5:45 am when we walked to the Holy Sepulcur....we had a 6:am slot to celebrate mass at the spot were Christians celebrate the dying of Jesus on the cross...I found it very moving and it seemed to be more important to me than a number of other sites we have visited...and from then on it was go go go...before I forget, I remembered all of you and my family, benefactors, community at this sacred spot...but I will have to continue this later as the shop lady is anxious to close the shop...sorry about this...more later...I think of all of you and you are in my heart and thoughts in this magnificent journey....finian

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July 26, 2009

Abbott John Klassen, OSB  
St. Johns University  
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**CLIENT:**

**SERVICES PROVIDED:** Individual psychotherapy

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July 7, 2009	(1 hour)
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Thank You  
**Donna Erickson, MA LADC**  
Psychotherapist/Spiritual Director

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RE:

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**RE:**

McDonald, Finian

**Sent:** Tuesday, September 08, 2009 2:22 PM

**To:** McDonald, Finian:

I dont know how to use my computer so this will go to both of us...Hello and Finian....hope you had a good weekend...take care...finian

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**From:** McDonald, Finian

**Sent:** Sunday, September 06, 2009 1:13 PM

**To:**

**Subject:**

this is just a note to say hello...it is always good to see you...you are one of my favorite students...write me back and we will contin ue our friendship...see you later, my friend, finian

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**OSB McDONALD\_00622**

**From:** Abbot John Klassen's private account  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 22, 2009 8:41 AM  
**To:** McDonald, Finian  
**Subject:** RE: neral

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**To:** Abbot John Klassen's private account  
**Subject:** neral

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# Lawsuit filed against abbey

2nd suit accuses of  
fraud, misconduct

By David Unze  
dunze@stcloudtimes.com

The second lawsuit in two weeks was filed Wednesday against St. John's Abbey.

The lawsuit accuses the abbey of fraud and contends that three monks either solicited or engaged in sexual misconduct with a former St. John's University student.

The lawsuit, filed in Stearns County District Court, alleges that the student was abused while attending St. John's from 1982-1986. It names the Rev. John Kelly, the Rev. Finian McDonald and now-deceased Rev. Bruce Wollmering as those who were inappropriate with the student.

The lawsuit doesn't identify the student, only saying that he is in his 40s and lives in Washington state.

Wollmering was the subject of a fraud lawsuit filed last week that accused the abbey of knowing about an allegation of sexual misconduct against Wollmering but continuing to allow him to have access to students at St. John's Preparatory School in Collegeville.

Abbot John Klassen in 2001 identified Kelly and McDonald as two of about a dozen monks or priests who had restrictions placed on them after allegations of sexual misconduct.

The lawsuit filed Wednesday accuses the abbey of knowing about abuse allegations against Kelly, McDonald and Wollmering and keeping that information from current and prospective students.

## **Safety Plan for Father Finian McDonald**

The following safety plan emerged out of Father Finian's program of recovery at Saint Luke Institute and has been in place for some time. It will be reviewed for appropriateness in May 2009.

### **A. Bishop's Norms**

1. Because Father Finian has not had inappropriate sexual contact with a minor, the USCCB Norms do not apply.

### **B. Supervision and accountability**

1. Father Finian may not visit the SJU student residences or frequent areas where university students generally are present, such as Sexton Commons, and the Warner Palaestra or dining rooms. He may not have social relationships or individual contact with students or young males under 21, or vulnerable adults on the Saint John's campus or off campus in any setting. This includes adults in a vulnerable position of counselee or who are emotionally vulnerable.
2. Father Finian may not visit the buildings of St. John's Preparatory School or associate with these students.
3. Father Finian will have work that does not put him in a position of authority and does not require a solitary working relationship with minor age males or vulnerable adult males.
4. The Prior will be informed of major off-campus visits (specific destination, departure and return times) and appropriate permission will be requested. The superior has the authority to deny the request.
5. Father Finian will have a quarterly review of his supervision plan with the supervisor.

### **C. Recovery Activities**

1. Active participation in the Sex Addicts Anonymous (SAA) twelve step program.
2. A regular "check in" with his 12th step sponsor.
3. Scheduled sessions with his spiritual director.
4. Monthly visit with a priest from the St. Cloud Diocese who values and respects this mutual exchange.
5. Regular contact with a group of close monastic friends on whom he relies for

suggestions and support.

6. Regular participation in prayer, Eucharist, and other community practices.
7. Appropriate communication with legal counsel.
8. Regular contact with members of the abbot's staff about his monastic and recovery life.

**Signatures**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Father Finian McDonald                      Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Abbot John Klassen                              Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Supervisor    Date

# Conversation with Steve Sawyer

Jim Phillips

Finian

Get the documents from Paul & find & resolve this matter

=> meeting in the future Hall in

=> ~~Paul~~ visit NYC - Newark Hotel

=> see copy Buenos Aires, Argentina

Changes in Documents -

Glenn Gould - E

\* Glenn should have a full set of signed documents

I should

the rest should

\* meet with Jim Phillips

\* call Paul & talk the change in Safety Plan -

\* talk/support Tom art McEik

Change in the plans - note

Documentation

Ad - Campus travel -

\* solve the problem of travel verification -

SS will work ~~with~~ with Tom on this -

documentation

see to see MB  
from Phillips / Allent

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## Abbot John Klassen's private account

**From:** Abbot John Klassen's private account  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 13, 2010 10:34 AM  
**To:** McDonald, Finlan  
**Cc:** Andert, Tom  
**Subject:** RE: funeral and added request to visit Mel in the Bahamas

Dear Finlan:

I have weighed your request carefully and have come to the same decision but for a different reason. At this time you are a player in an active major lawsuit against the Order of Saint Benedict. We cannot do anything at this time that will come and bite us in the posterior. I checked this concern with Bob Stich and he is in agreement that it would imprudent for you to make this trip at this time.

I am grateful for your contact with Mel. I know that he feels stranded and I really want to find a way to extricate him from this situation, knowing how difficult Archbishop Pinder's staffing challenges are. So thank you for your care and concern for Mel.

All best and peace, +John

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**From:** McDonald, Finlan  
**Sent:** Sunday, January 10, 2010 8:29 PM  
**To:** Abbot John Klassen's private account  
**Cc:** Andert, Tom; jbk@csb.edu  
**Subject:** RE: funeral and added request to visit Mel in the Bahamas

Abbot John: I would like to renew my request for visiting Mel Taylor in the Bahamas...abiet, my last attached request was denied. I have been in contact with him frequently and we have continued our supportive and close relationship...he would really like me to come down in February and, of course, I would be delighted to be there for the two weeks in February which he suggests. I'm aware that Brother Benedict will be down there at the end of this month (January) for official business and for an added few days rest. In conversation with the Prior in response to my 'sabbatical/education' request which I submitted recently, we discussed that there was conversation by some in the community of the amount of time contained in my last years sabbatical and SOT trip to the Holy Land..and that the Staff would be hesitant about repeating such a lengthy request. For this year I requested permission to be able to accept Ed LeMay's invitation to join him for two weeks in Argentina...he has been there for the last few months and will be in Buenos Aires until the end of March, and the other included request was to have a short visit with Father Mel in the Bahamas....I would love to do both of course, but with concerns of money and fairness, I would reluctantly refuse the Ed LeMay invitation if requested.

I have checked the airfares for Nassau and at this time I could get a very good price for the two mid weeks in February...\$ 372 dollars plus landing taxes...I would like to nail this reservation down as soon as I can and tell Fr Mel of my arrival. You must know how travel fuels my spirit and coincides with my feeling of time being short to enjoy this gift of health and energy at this time of my life...I'm thankful for being able to contribute 'my many little gifts' to the community spirit at St. John's but ask at this time to share this spirit with Mel in Nassau...his solitary life could be renewed by my presense... requested with a veneer coating of humility...finlan mcdonald

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**From:** McDonald, Finlan  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 22, 2009 1:32 PM  
**To:** Abbot John Klassen's private account  
**Subject:** RE: funeral

Amen.....thanks for considering this request...finlan

## **Abbot John Klassen's private account**

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**From:** Koopmann, Robert  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 09, 2010 9:16 AM  
**To:** Abbot John Klassen's private account  
**Subject:** FW: Fr. Finian

**Importance:** High

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**From:** McDonald, Finian  
**Sent:** Monday, November 22, 2010 8:33 PM  
**To:** Abbot John Klassen's private account; ; Andert, Tom  
**Subject:** Dec Vacation to NYC

Dear Abbot John: Thank you for allowing me to continue my plans to take my scheduled vacation to New York City...I am enclosing the exact details of my weeks stay as you requested. You required this as the conditions of my safety plan at this time of my restricted status. I leave on Dec 6th ....Minneapolis direct to Kenney. I proceed to Newark Abbey...Abbot Melvin is expecting and I look forward to living and praying with this community. Other people I plan to see (times and days to be arranged) are: My two close priest friends who live in the Jesuit Community in Brooklyn. These two priests were with me at St. Lukes and we have remained in touch and we have always had time together when I am in the City. I visit their community and we exchange our stories in recovery. A visit with former member of your community. close friend of Abbot Timothy. They both served on the China and Far East Conf together..lunch with him and his wife ..they live in Staten Island. close friends of our Trinity Japan Community..they are special friends of mine and, Abbot John, I'm sure you remember their generous support of our Japan community. is now the Ass Ambassador of England to the United Nations...they are also looking forward to my visit...they live on Park Ave..I may not get past their security... I also plan to visit my nephew, the son of my brother. ..So my days are pretty much taken up with these visits and museums and walking the streets of 5th Ave, Madison, St Pats, Rock Center and the Christmas windows on Madison and Times Sq. My evenings are almost all involved with the Met Opera and the Dance...maybe a play...this pretty well sums up my days...It's an exciting time for me...how many of these gifts will be mine to enjoy is another thing for an 82 year old man to enjoy is in God's hands..I am grateful for my health and this opportunity. I will remember that it is important for me to be a person in recovery and the importance of being close to my recovery program... I return on Dec 14 ..a direct flight from Kennedy to Mpls.. I hope this satisfies your request...I am grateful ..Finian, OSB

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November 24, 2010

Abbot John Klassen, OSB  
Saint John's Abbey  
Box 2015  
Collegeville, MN 56321-2015

RE: Finian McDonald, OSB – safety plan proposed September 2010

Dear Abbot John:

Father Finian has sent me a copy of the safety plan apparently proposed for him to follow in September or October 2010. You will recall that we had a "mediation" with Abbot Hugh Anderson, OSB, the then delegate of Abbot Timothy Kelly, which was held at the directive of the Congregation for Institutes of Consecrated Life and Societies of Apostolic Life (CICLSAL) in Rome. The proposed safety plan is not in keeping with the settlement reached at that time and as approved by Abbot Timothy and forwarded by him to CICLSAL.

On page 1 of the proposed safety plan under "A. Safety Plan," it states that the following safety plan has been in place for some time. However, as you know, any safety plan that had been in effect was displaced by order of CICLSAL and as agreed between the parties, as noted in the February 2, 2009 letter from then Abbot President Timothy Kelly. Abbot Timothy stated in that letter, "As I copy this letter to those who participated in this process, I assure them that [what] was agreed on now is the mandate that is to be carried out in the future in this case." The safety plan approved according to the CICLSAL process is the only safety plan that is obligatory for Father Finian. The plan cannot be changed without approval of Father Finian, the Abbot President and notification to CICLSAL.

I have advised Finian not to sign or comply with this safety plan, but to continue under the previous agreement as outlined in Abbot Hugh Anderson's January 20, 2009 letter to CICLSAL.

Sincerely,

S. Lynn Marie McKenzie, OSB, JCL

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12/29/2010

Abbot John,

Here are the documents for all of the monks. In two cases, your specific attention is needed.

- 1) Finian has objected to the language in the plan as he stated that the wording is different than what was agreed upon in prior negotiations (see letter from S. Lynn Marie McKenzie). In one case the language is seemingly minor (# 5 under Supervision and Accountability). It may be that in the exchange of documents I was given the wrong version which is easily corrected. Regardless, I committed to getting the details correct before I ask him to sign the quarterly form (which he has agreed to participate in completing, as you can see).
- 2) There are several sections of Francisco's history in the Review Board Safety Plan document that are complete, or in two areas, I simply need you to verify that what I wrote is accurate. I spent more time looking at the file, but short of reading hundreds of printed emails and other personal exchanges, I could not verify the information on reports and status of reports.

I included my signature and made copies for my files but of course I will need a new copy of anything you change or edit.

Steven Sawyer, MSSW, LICSW, CGP

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**Abbot John Klassen's private account**

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**From:** Frederick, Isaiah  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 03, 2011 11:46 AM  
**To:** Andert, Tom; Jenniges, Brad  
**Cc:** Abbot John Klassen's private account  
**Subject:** RE: Finian's account

Done.

Isaiah  
*'Jesus Christ be Praised'*

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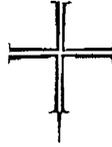
**From:** Andert, Tom  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 03, 2011 10:02 AM  
**To:** Frederick, Isaiah; Jenniges, Brad  
**Cc:** Andert, Tom; Abbot John Klassen's private account  
**Subject:** Finian's account

Dear All,

I have met with Finian and proposed an additional \$175 @ month for the remaining 5 months of the fiscal year for his account. Please deposit another \$875 in his personal account. It is my understanding that this is the one and only "bail out" for the year, given the unusual circumstances of this past 6 months for him.

Thanks,  
Prior Tom

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SAINT JOHN'S  
ABBEY

February 14, 2011  
Feast of Saint Valentine

Father Finian McDonald, OSB  
Saint John's Abbey

Dear Father Finian:

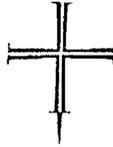
This letter is to inform you that the Mentor Council considered your plan and request for a "time of renewal" in the Jerusalem program and has recommended a denial of the request.

The reason for this denial is limited resources. Given our fiscal situation I must concur with the recommendation.

Blessings and peace,

Abbot John Klassen, OSB

cc: Father Jonathan Licari, OSB  
Prior Tom Andert, OSB



SAINT JOHN'S  
ABBAY

March 8, 2011

Father Finian McDonald, OSB  
Saint John's Abbey

Dear Finian:

As you may remember, Saint John's Abbey was engaged in mediation with Mr. Jeffrey Anderson from January 24-27. In the course of those four days, the abbey team (Mr. Bob Stich, Mr. Mike Ford, Brother Brad Jenniges, Father Jonathan Licari, and me) listened to the stories of twelve survivors. We worked with a mediator in order to arrive at financial settlements, nine of which came to resolution. The others are still in process.

In addition, Mr. Anderson came to the mediation with what he calls "non-economic" demands. A central one of these demands is the publication of the names of monks who have had credible allegations brought against them. As a team we have struggled mightily with this issue and have not come to resolution.

I am asking you to come to a meeting with Mr. Bob Stich on **March 11, Friday afternoon, at 1:00 PM in the Abbot Alcuin Conference room**. As legal counsel, Bob wishes to meet with you to explain our situation, to answer questions, and to listen to your concerns. At some point, Mr. Mike Ford, Father Jonathan, and I will join you to conclude the meeting, which will end by 3:00 PM. I realize that this is short notice for such a meeting but the need for it became apparent today. Thank you for your assistance in this important matter.

Sincerely,

Abbot John Klassen, OSB

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**INVOICE**

March 14, 2011

Abbott John Klassen; OSB  
St. Johns University  
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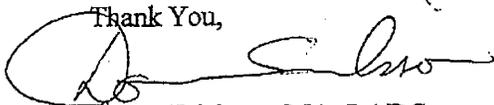
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**Abbot John Klassen's private account**

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**From:** steve sawyer  
**Sent:** Monday, March 14, 2011 8:25 PM  
**To:** Abbot John Klassen's private account  
**Subject:** supervision meetings

John,

A quick note to inform you that Finian informed me that he will not participate in the upcoming supervision meetings at the end of this month. On the advice of his lawyer, he stated "this interview is no longer required".

Steve

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**From:** Andert, Tom  
**Sent:** Saturday, April 09, 2011 12:43 PM  
**To:** Abbot John Klassen's private account  
**Cc:** Andert, Tom  
**Subject:** FW: Finian

FYI.....I suspect Finian will not be telling you about his planned trip to NY in May.....how do you think you could nip that in the bud before it gets too far?

Thanks,  
Tom

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**From:** Andert, Tom  
**Sent:** Saturday, April 09, 2011 12:42 PM  
**To:** Frederick, Isaiah  
**Cc:** Andert, Tom  
**Subject:** Finian

Isaiah,

Needless to say, Finian already discovered his credit card cancellation and was in here to complain. All right....first of all, he says you can't buy lottery stuff (pulltabs, etc) on credit cards....is that true? Also, can he draw ATM cash with the orchid credit card?

He also tells me that "several people around here" have cards for their card accounts....is that true? Who monitors those "several people" and how much money is in those accounts? Dunstan? Any other gardeners...?

I am reluctant to start up that card again. Can you give me reasons not to?

What if I were to give Finian a cash monthly allowance and expect receipts back before the next installment? Can I get that cash from you, say from his personal account? He can't get cash now from our business office with his overdrawn account, can he? I want him to be cut off and controlled.

Thanks,  
Tom

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## **Abbot John Klassen's private account**

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**From:** Licari, Jonathan on behalf of Klassen, John  
**Sent:** Friday, April 15, 2011 9:52 AM  
**To:** Abbot John Klassen's private account  
**Subject:** FW: Commencement

Jonathan, osb

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**From:** Andert, Tom  
**Sent:** Friday, April 15, 2011 8:57 AM  
**To:** Backous, Timothy; Klassen, John  
**Cc:** Brown, Brenda; Kockler, Kathryn; Weiers, Richard; Hendrickson, Brett; Klosterman, Jennine  
**Subject:** RE: Commencement

Timo,

This is in response to our conversation about Finian's presence at the IB celebration and your cabinet's concerns regarding his presence as a restricted monk at future events. Indeed this is a sensitive issue and I appreciate your bringing the matter to my attention.

While I strongly believe that there is no risk of reoffending because of the significant steps taken by the abbey to restrict and supervise these men, I also appreciate the public relations factor of their presence for Prep events. I printed a copy of your email and gave it to Finian this morning in a personal conversation in my office. He has agreed not to show up at future Prep events, and I believe his sincerity in this resolution.

Please let me know if there is anything else that I can do to demonstrate the abbey's sincere desire to effectively deal with situations involving our restricted monks. We are very serious about our supervision commitment and want you to know that.

Prior Tom

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**From:** Backous, Timothy  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 13, 2011 1:31 PM  
**To:** Andert, Tom; Klassen, John  
**Cc:** Brown, Brenda; Kockler, Kathryn; Weiers, Richard; Hendrickson, Brett; Klosterman, Jennine  
**Subject:** Commencement

Dear Abbot John and Prior Tom,

Some members of the Headmaster's cabinet expressed dismay that Fr. Finian attended our IB celebration in the Great Hall last Friday. We are working with the photographer to avoid publishing any photos that might appear with his image. Although we are not concerned about the safety of our students, we are worried about the possible implications of further PR identifying him as one of the "17 monks" who are on safety plans.

The question at hand is whether or not we can restrict these men from events in the Great Hall even though their attendance is not a violation of their safety plan nor is there any danger whatsoever to our students. If we can NOT be assured of this, I've asked that our events not be held in the vicinity of the Abbey but that we simply hold them on our own grounds and buildings, thus having more control over who attends and who does not.

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I have shared with the cabinet that I feel we have a duty to "correct" false perceptions, i.e., that all these men (including the ones dead and gone!) are a very minimal risk of reoffending even if that means endless conversations with constituents. I believe the media has misrepresented the case in order to publish a better story BUT I also want to be mindful of the cabinet's concerns regarding this issue. Therefore, if you feel it is not right or possible to exclude the "17" from events held in the Great Hall, which is technically the Abbey's living room, we will hold our reception here in the school building.

I will wait to hear from you.

Timo

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**Abbot John Klassen's private account**

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**From:** Sister Lynn <  
**Sent:** Monday, April 18, 2011 4:00 PM  
**To:** Abbot John Klassen's private account  
**Subject:** Re: Fr. Finian - safety plan, et al.

Thank you, Abbot John. I look forward to hearing from you after you have the opportunity to take counsel on this matter.  
Lynn, osb

----- Original Message -----

**From:** Abbot John Klassen's private account  
**To:** 'Sister Lynn'  
**Sent:** Monday, April 18, 2011 3:20 PM  
**Subject:** RE: Fr. Finian - safety plan, et al.

Dear Sister Lynn:

I did receive the letter of November 24<sup>th</sup>. I need to take some counsel and then perhaps we can communicate by phone and create a better understanding of the present situation. All best to you in this Holy Week. +John

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**From:** Sister Lynn [mailto:  
**Sent:** Monday, April 04, 2011 3:09 PM  
**To:** Abbot John Klassen's private account  
**Subject:** Fr. Finian - safety plan, et al.

Dear Abbot John:

As you know, I have been Father Finian McDonald's canonical advocate for some years now. In the fall there was a safety plan proposed for Finian that was outside the scope of the previously reached settlement between the parties that had been sent to CICLSAL as the final word on the matter. I want to make sure you received my letter dated 11/24/10 (attached here for your convenience). I will also be back in touch with you soon, as I understand there has been another recent settlement regarding Finian and others, that is also outside the scope of the mentioned agreement approved by CICLSAL.

I would appreciate it if you would confirm that you in fact did receive the attached 11/24/10 letter from me.

Wishing you all the best in this Lenten season.

Lynn McKenzie, osb

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700 x 1.6

+ 1,000

September 2009

Don't know  
do it electronically

email - after one conversation in Great Hall

Context

friendship

Working in Great Hall -

Sent email on some day or next day

1.13 PM

After I get him on terms - he sent this to me  
I did not respond - did not trust his intentions  
It is

Addressing uncomfortable topics

Address for respect

no negative feelings thought

He approached me -

and may have been

he brings the flowers -

he was looking at me -

looking at her today - he addressed me with his <sup>name</sup>

Gift shop - he was there - why is he there

come all the way round to buy me -

if I do sports -

he touched me back

come around circle to

in front of seconds

buy me -

He did not hold phone number  
email - did give it to us

he call. on cell phone -  
once or twice

By then I had general idea

forwards -  
asked question

What are you doing

now are they doing -

\* he beats me well -

\* I talk to you soon -

I'm comfortable

I got home,

I wanted attend

didn't reply to 2nd email -

he appeared great Hall when I saw him

he always looked as me -

Always look at ~~me~~ me -

pulling to be

Brought food to him at last house

Doritos - Nachos -

Dinner in Great Hall - bring party to 6 -

not recall at him - no

Just - he was sorry - his room to see 6 -

at I was at computer -

at 11:00 + 12:50 - see chair -

3

He talked to the:

called to the B.N. phone

Phillips answered the phone

It wanted to talk to you -

"Sorry if I am making you uncomfortable"

he was admitting that he did something  
was wrong with his actions

if misunderstood

made you uncomfortable

it might be

you're feeling uncomfortable -

he needed to ask for forgiveness -

over a period of 2 months -

→ the story -

not something in my memory -

I don't think about it -

I depend himself - not afraid about it -

totally sure about his intentions - I don't

don't want to think about useful things -

[If not, why are we having this conversation?]

Does not want his name cited to FBI -

Does not want to be part of any confrontation

so neutral that he was a close

friend at St. Ben's with his girlfriend, picking

up tickets; FBI approached & made a joke

that they had to pay extra money -

made ~~me~~ me see but didn't want anything to do with it.

From weekly, there's a good amount of  
all - get the, Michael from Ken  
Also the one on 5/10/02?

Reviewed that someone else had

deposited with a note about that -

and more and copy on a laptop screen.

The program is really big screen or so -

But Bill calls attention to the differences

that make these students -

## Abbot John Klassen's private account

**From:** Andert, Tom  
**Sent:** Monday, June 06, 2011 1:33 PM  
**To:** Abbot John Klassen's private account  
**Cc:** Andert, Tom  
**Subject:** volcanic explosion

Abbot John,

You need to know that I had an extended, overheated discussion with Finian this morning, that led to much loud screaming and yelling, with many very pointed and passionate volcanic eruptions in a short time. The occasion was his stopping in to request yet another trip, this time to DC, for yet another studdering conference, and visits to Dan Ward and St. Luke's, all of which would be his vacation. Never mind that he has just been in NY in December and in April for almost two weeks each time, and has had numerous other trip requests denied. He has never stopped in for the past five months to rework his budget after his gambling bills were paid, and the specific agreement – which he conveniently says he misunderstood – that we would work out a monthly spending allowance.....he has no recollection of that part of the former conversation. By the way, no remorse was expressed for the gambling debt, and no thanks for repayment of it from community money either. Entitlement again, because he is addicted....therefore, as I read it, he cannot be held responsible. Convenient narcissism, as I indicated to him .....

In the meantime, he continues to borrow money from confreres (including Abbot Melvin at Newark by his own admission) and wonders why I haven't called him in to deal with his budget. According to him, that is my responsibility, not his. By this time, I totally lost any semblance of composure, much less sanity, and I unleashed on him several reserve tanks of unexpressed, deeply stored unresolved anger about him. It all came out voluminously with brightly colored language. By the way, he has admitted lying to me face to face previously in conversations about his spending habits when he was regularly gambling. but of course, I am supposed to excuse that because it is an addiction. When I accused him of taking money from, recently, he bold faced denied it, when I know for a fact that another confrere told me he took the money for sure.....so I don't even know if he is telling me the truth anymore or not.

So the upshot of this is that I told him I would refer everything to you from now on regarding his requests. My answer to DC is a blatant no, but you can be sure he will be in asking you. As he huffed out of the office, he indicated that he would be getting a "new prior" since I am so "mean and unpastoral".....my final advice to him out the door was 1) get a life, act like 82 years old, quit running from decline and death; 2) stay home; and 3) start taking some personal financial responsibility. I also screamed at him that I will not feel guilty about this conversation, since I am sick and tired of his manipulation and projection on others, much less apologizing on his behalf to most of the campus community, when he constantly shows up unwanted at campus events.

Catharsis is good, and I am finished dealing with that son of bitch! I feel much better now.

Tom

4-15-11

1964 grad from Wash  
Germany in civ - transfer

here for  
65 spring & fall & 66 Spring

Difficulty learning -  
Not a very good student  
Small town - Catholic school  
Pretty naive - to Germany & to here  
No special contact with

Finn was a project -

F office -

Also a counselor - chousmati  
talked to - other students  
Spent a lot of nights, weekends and  
visit F - talk

on me - last visit - Spring 1966  
F talk - asked if he could put her  
head on my lap - didn't understand  
F with his bedroom took parody -

Not understood - beard shadow  
felt that

he was very excited - he'll  
never come back to see him -  
has been married for 40 years

→ on ~~Grandmother's~~ personal  
heard story of Paranoid  
surprised

I know my experience = collected about this

never said anything  
not detailed - personally changed  
now knows that there were others -

coming up for celebration - no interest  
in seeing FM -

meeting that I started my sister's shoulder  
the FM -

I think I don't mind it because I'm younger

I really liked him - not  
for sexuality & part of nature - so I did not  
take into question my own behavior.

It's - question about story - truth

My own party thinking - 57 John's  
Jan's place - Friday & night around lunch  
Elaborate description - didn't go to work  
preventing/relief did allowed to happen

~~did~~ felt uncomfortable at the time -

didn't tell anybody about it -

Monday PM. Sister mentioned that Fog  
was asking for the M.B.

Church & refectory -  
uncomfortable feelings -

When it happened, kind of mind numbing - (3)  
Not aware I didn't come back to Saint Johns

That was a ~~marked~~ first - Issue  
Left had gone further, more problematic

My recollection, pretty vivid -

Experience was unusual,

exposed his ~~time~~ garment over the  
Broken words of FM - also broken trust.

- told him about our willingness to pay for  
completing - It understood the impact - when call  
or wrote me & send me the bill.
- told him "It's not your fault"

• gave him my card and also the text of questions -

Call to Saint Luke Institute  
Cheroffe

176 mi

~~Monday~~

Continuing Care - entry

[Redacted]

- Next week =>

Sunday ->

Speak with Steve  
Steve Mandana  
apartment

Remembrance

Pop

or email to [Redacted]

Washington National

or B.N.T.

SLI in Silver Spring, MD -

July 22, 2011

Ken Phillips, TOR  
Continuing Care Counselor  
Saint Luke Institute  
8901 New Hampshire Avenue  
Silver Spring, MD 20903

Father Finian McDonald, OSB  
Saint John's Abbey

Dear Finian:

I promised to write you a letter that gives my understanding of our current situation. As I noted in our conversation on July 1, I think we have reached the point where there is a serious mis-alignment between you and the members of my staff in a number of key areas. By staff I mean Prior Tom Andert, Father Jonathan Licari, Brother Paul Richards, Brother Paul-Vincent Niebauer, and Brother Benedict Leuthner. Some of the specific behaviors and attitudes that we have observed that ground this concern are as follows:

- You seem to be in a manic phase at present. That is, for many years you have grown beautiful orchids that are part of many special locations and add a touch of class and beauty to these events. However, in the past year or two, you have purchased more and more orchids, far surpassing the amount of available space for them. In addition, this compulsive purchasing has created a personal budget problem.
- We have documented evidence of two episodes of inappropriate contact with undergraduate students in the Great Hall in the summer and fall of 2009, respectively. We intervened in the winter of 2009 and 2010 when we became aware of the first incident. In June 2011, I became aware of the second incident. I, along with other staff members, wonder how many other incidents of this kind of behavior are out there. Per our conversation, many community members distrust your interaction with any young adult male.

The contact with the student in summer 2009 involved unwanted attention to an undergraduate male student at the reception desk in the Great Hall. You continued to pose questions to this young man, asking how he was going to spend his evening, culminating in a question as to whether he was going to have sex with his girl friend.

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Finian, it is this kind of behavior that creates distrust of your relationships with young men – you have asked me, “How do I fix this?” I don’t know. As a staff, we have to have more confidence that you understand how inappropriate this behavior is, how harmful, and how it undermines our efforts as a community to be credible in our witness to trustworthiness, and celibate chastity.

- You seem no longer to be able to live within a budget and this has become a problem with in the last 1 to 2 years. It seems that the first major pressure on your budget was an over expenditure of funds for the purchase of orchids for a wedding celebration. In this situation the orchids you had on hand did not blossom. Rather than simply acknowledge this fact and allow the family to deal with the situation, you absorbed a significant expense in your budget for the purchase of additional orchids.

A second major expense came from a compulsive use of pull-tabs. To your credit, Finian, you shared this information with the prior and we took immediate steps to bring this under control. However, the financial cost was about \$1000.

A third significant component of expense came with trips to New York in December and May. Even though you are frugal when you travel, there is simply no way to avoid a basic expenses. For example, I believe that you took an additional full week in Cleveland last summer in July, taking in both the national stuttering conference and some time for vacation.

Because of the stress in your budget at this time you owe a combination of people somewhere between \$750 and \$1000. In the larger scheme of things, this is not a lot of money. However, it indicates a pattern that is not healthy and appropriate.

- When Mike Riley and Christi Schiller from Presidium or here for the on-site visit from June 14-17, your name was top-of-mind for a significant number of confrères who were interviewed by these individuals. That is, Finian, confrères expressed concern about the way in which you are following your safety plan. Confreres asked whether there is enough supervision, especially when you are in another city on the other side of the country. These confrères also expressed concern about your contact with undergraduate or post-graduate students, such as the Benedictine Volunteers. This behavior most often manifests itself as "unwanted attention" toward these individuals.
- There is no question in my mind that the pressure of the lawsuit that was resolved and the additional case that came into mediation last January created significant stress in your life. You mentioned that you think that the gambling problem may have been a release of that stress. Another change that we have observed is your increased neediness: for attention, for affirmation, for approval, and this neediness may be driving you to be too engaged with providing orchids for too many groups and other behaviors that are at cross-purposes with our monastic culture.

It is these concerns that prompt me to ask you to travel to Saint Luke Institute in Silver Spring Maryland for an opportunity to be part of a professional conversation about these issues. I do not want you to be at loggerheads with me or the rest of my staff. I'm looking for some kind of new clarity in terms of expectations between us, a new mutual understanding for a way forward.

Sincerely,

Abbot John Klassen, OSB





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mean may not describe  
about as much as PPT knew  
Guy gone next week -

said something - way

behavior - eventually

not a lot of info

trouble - gone got alcohol

rubbed his genitals -

PPPT - (cassie)

one of incidents

available information PPT

Friday - all day -

BA - Insurance Management

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**Abbot John Klassen's private account**

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**From:** Koopmann, Robert  
**Sent:** Monday, October 31, 2011 3:03 PM  
**To:** Abbot John Klassen's private account  
**Subject:**

Abbot John,  
I just spoke with Dick about this. He said that he has already been informed about this from Benedict, and that Benedict is working on this.

Bob

Fr. Robert Koopmann, OSB  
President  
Saint John's University  
PO Box 2000  
Collegeville MN 56321  
320-363-2882  
[rkoopmann@csbsju.edu](mailto:rkoopmann@csbsju.edu)

## **Report to Senior Council re Father Finian McDonald**

I come to you today to seek counsel regarding how best to respond to Father Finian McDonald's overall and some specific actions he has taken recently.

### **Sexual issues**

When Father Finian was working as a counselor, as dean of students in the university, as a faculty resident, he was serial sexual offender of our students. This inappropriate behavior probably occurred after he was ordained and began working in the university and the last known case is in 1986. We settled two of those cases last January, one of which was a law suit, the other a credible allegation. Since then we have become aware of two additional cases from the 1960s and the university just settled one of them. There will probably be no financial claim on the other, though the incident is still present with the alum even though it occurred so long ago. Finian has virtually no appreciation of the time, cost, and energy that we as staff expend in the dealing with the survivors of these allegations, in trying to respond in a positive and pastoral way.

Despite being on a Safety Plan we have documented evidence of two episodes of inappropriate, grooming conversation with undergraduate students in the Great Hall in the summer and fall of 2009, respectively. We intervened in the winter of 2009 and 2010 when we became aware of the first incident. In June 2011, I became aware of the second incident. I, along with other staff members, wonder how many other incidents of this kind of behavior are out there. Per our conversation, many community members distrust his interaction with any young adult male.

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### **Financial issues**

A second major expense came from a compulsive use of pull-tabs. To his credit, Finian shared this information with the prior and he took immediate steps to bring this under control. However, the financial cost was about \$1000. He immediately began to participate in GAA and has been free of this compulsion for the past 10-11 months.

Because of the stress in his budget at this time Finian borrowed somewhere between \$750 and \$1000 from a combination of people. In the larger scheme of things, this is not a lot of money. However, it indicates a pattern that is not healthy and appropriate.

Last July, Finian took all the money from his personal account and is using it as the year goes on, but as a result, we have no tracking on his personal finances.

#### **Accountability**

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#### **Evaluation at Saint Luke Institute**

As a result of all of these issues, I asked Finian to have an evaluation last summer at Saint Luke Institute. Finian, with the urging of Dan Ward, agreed to do this. As the week went on professional staff members there, and they knew Finian from the past, learned and became quite concerned about Finian's behaviors. They learned that he had developed the habit of going into discount stores and was changing price tags on garments and then purchasing them. He may have done this a hundred times, and in a number of instances was being closely watched. As Steve Montana noted, "Finian was a whisker away from being arrested." "It is the high, the charge that he gets from getting something free or a bargain." From their point of view this behavior is extremely risky and he will be caught – only a matter of time. "When challenged, Finian become vehemently histrionic and uses this style as a defense."

#### **Recommendations**

In their verbal report to me, Dr. Steve Montana and Peg Crowley urged that

- Finian not be allowed to leave the campus without a prudent companion. When Sister Peg communicated to Finian that this was going to be their recommendation, he was completely resistant.
- a neurological study to determine if he was having loss of memory and the ability to make thoughtful decisions due to the early dementia
- a change a change in medication – Lyrica, which is good in the treatment of shingles, also lowers impulse control.
- resuming therapy to get a handle on his impulsive and compulsive behavior

Finian has been seeing Dr. Steve Vincent on a regular basis. They are in the process of working directly on the issue of "integrity." That is, Finian is committing to not changing any tags on an item of clothing, to paying the store the amount of money that is being asked for on a tag. If Finian is able to speak to a store clerk and get a better price, that is okay. Because of these strategies, Finian argues that he is not at high risk to get himself arrested. Dr. Montana and Peg Crowley have overestimated the risk and furthermore he is not suffering inappropriate loss of memory or an attenuation of his cognitional ability.

Finian is in the process of giving most of his orchids to the university green house. He still has a significant issue with far too many clothes. Finian is going to three support groups per week. He goes to Gamblers Anonymous, and two Sex Addicts Anonymous groups per week.

Finian has had the neurological and memory testing. I asked to have a release to be able to have a conversation with Dr. Steve Vincent to have direct access to the results – I have not been able to have a conversation with a professional about these results. Finian says that the results show that his memory and processing are fine for his age!

I did not impose the need for a prudent companion on Finian because it seemed to me to be a draconian response to Finian even as he was making positive steps.

#### **Additional story**

In October the staff learned that Kohl's store in Saint Cloud has a picture of Finian in the staff room, with the notation to call security immediately, to have him removed from the store. When I spoke to Finian about this matter, I learned that he was cashing in expired discount coupons at the cash register. From his point of view, it was Kohl's staff's job to note that the coupons were out of date.

However, the reason I am bringing all of these concerns to you today is because I asked Father Finian, both on November 7 and 30) not to plan on making the trip to New York this December. This annual trip to New York for the Christmas season over the past ten years seems to provide occasion for any number of things to go seriously wrong. Frankly, I am not worried about Finian acting out sexually [this may be naïve on my part]. However, he could get himself in serious trouble by swapping price tags in a department store. I have told Finian he does not look good in orange. I am also concerned about the PR consequences. If his travel to and from New York, as a known sexual offender on a Safety Plan, ever became public, we would not have a leg to stand on. What possible compelling explanation could we give? Overall, Finian has been extremely resistant to supervision, to the kind of accountability that we need from all of our monks, especially those on a Safety Plan. No matter how I process these events, his going to New York is direct, willful disobedience.

Despite two explicit requests (November 7 and 30) to Finian, he went to New York for a week in December. When he goes, he always stays at Newark Abbey, where he is a lively guest and I am sure that he is a welcome and gracious presence. In addition, he does see one or two of the people who were at Saint Luke with him in treatment and are of support to him. But it is very troubling to me that in the face of direct requests, when this abbey is in the middle of three lawsuits and significant negative publicity, that Finian could act in a way that seems to be so uncaring of the potential impact of his actions on us.

Finian has said to me that the one thing he values at this time in his life is freedom. From his point of view, if he acted inappropriately in a store and was arrested for stealing, the consequences would be much more significant for him than for the community.

Some recommendations:

- that Finian checks in with the prior when he is going into town for either an SAA or an AA meeting, goes directly there and comes home
- that he do more community service, such as barbering two days a week and in the Health Center
- that there be no trips out of the state of MN for the next 18 months

[Finian has asked me directly: Should I leave? I have said no. Given your age and circumstances, where would you live? As an abbey we cannot afford to pay big money to support you in an apartment with a car, health insurance, etc. Furthermore, there is no way I would ever support an exclaustation without it going all the way to the Congregation for Institutes of Consecrated Life and Societies of Apostolic Life (CICLSAL). This congregation is much more sympathetic to the situation of religious communities having a sexual offender on exclaustation with full liability and no ability to supervise.]

**FULL AND FINAL RELEASE OF ALL CLAIMS**

FOR AND IN CONSIDERATION OF the payment of Twenty Thousand and No/100 Dollars (\$20,000.00), \_\_\_\_\_ s released and discharged, and for himself and for his heirs, personal representatives, successors and assigns, does release, acquit and forever discharge the Order of Saint Benedict and Fr. Finian McDonald OSB from any and all claims arising out of any incident that occurred while he was a student at Saint John's University during the period 1966 to 1970.

It is further understood and agreed that this payment is not in consideration of tuition or the remission of tuition for the children of \_\_\_\_\_ and, further, that any request for financial assistance by the children of \_\_\_\_\_ who are attending or may attend Saint John's will be considered on their own merits and without reference to the matters released in this settlement.

Dated this 8 day of JAN, 2012



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RE: Settlement Check of  
Our File #

Dear

Enclosed please find our law firm's trust account draft in the amount of \$20,000.00 along with a copy of the signed release that you recently mailed back.

Good luck to you and your family.

Sincerely,

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Death notice from Doris Matter, SJU President Office:

-- age 63, died February 8, 2012. He is the father of  
current SJU student and

Children:

Sibling:

His record has been marked inactive since 1993

Obit from

\_\_\_\_\_ age 63, o \_\_\_\_\_, passed away Tuesday, Feb. 8, 2012. Mass will be at St. Ann's Catholic Church in Wadena on Wednesday, Feb. 15 at 11 a.m. No reviewal will be held.

Ruth Athmann

Information Coordinator

Saint John's University

320-363-2598

1-800-635-7303

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**From:** Matter, Doris  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 09, 2012 3:28 PM  
**To:** Athmann, Ruth  
**Subject:** Death notice.

Ruth,

Would you please look for an obit? The father of \_\_\_\_\_ on  
Feb. 7. His funeral is Feb. 12.

Thanks.

Doris

Doris Matter, Office of the President, Saint John's University, Quad 142C, [dmatter@csbsju.edu](mailto:dmatter@csbsju.edu), 320.363.2022

**Abbot John Klassen's private account**

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**From:** Koopmann, Robert  
**Sent:** Monday, February 13, 2012 1:34 PM  
**To:** Abbot John Klassen's private account  
**Subject:** Fwd: Death notice:

Sent from my iPhone

**Abbot John Klassen's private account**

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**From:** Licari, Jonathan  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 14, 2012 8:30 AM  
**To:**  
**Cc:** Abbot John Klassen's private account  
**Subject:** RE:

Thanks for the quick response on this. Payers and support for the coming days.

Jonathan, osb

-----Original Message-----

**From:**  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 14, 2012 7:48 AM  
**To:** Licari, Jonathan  
**Subject:**

Jonathan

My phone conversation Feb 13th to you was about my brother who had been into visit with you and the Abbot this past July about his experience with Finnian when he was a student in the university. He has expressed a need for some counseling. You told me to have him send the bills for this to you.

Thank you

Abbot John Klassen's private account

**From:** Andert, Tom  
**Sent:** Friday, April 13, 2012 8:26 AM  
**To:** Abbot John Klassen's private account  
**Cc:** Andert, Tom  
**Subject:** FW: health update?

FYI.....tom

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**From:** McDonald, Finian  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 12, 2012 3:59 PM  
**To:** Andert, Tom  
**Subject:** RE: health update?

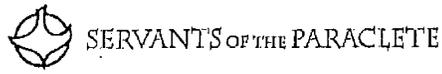
Sorry Tom.....I finally got my results yesterday....it was shadowed with an early smoking copd stage that left some suspicious wrinkles...thank God...it was a worry because the results took so long...thanks..finian

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**From:** Andert, Tom  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 12, 2012 10:18 AM  
**To:** McDonald, Finian  
**Cc:** Andert, Tom  
**Subject:** health update?

Did you ever get an update from the CT scan some time ago? Just checking in....

Thanks,  
Tom



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These Programs are offered at the Vianney Renewal Center.

#### Contact Information:

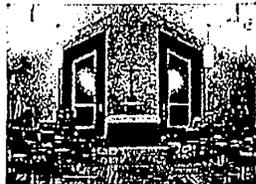
PO Box 539  
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Father Liam Hoare s.P., Father Servant

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- Father Ed Rolph, s.P.
- Brother Bernard Scollon, s.P.
- Brother Conrad Rydelek, s.P.
- Andy Palazzola, Associate

- 636-274-5226 Vianney Center in Dittmer
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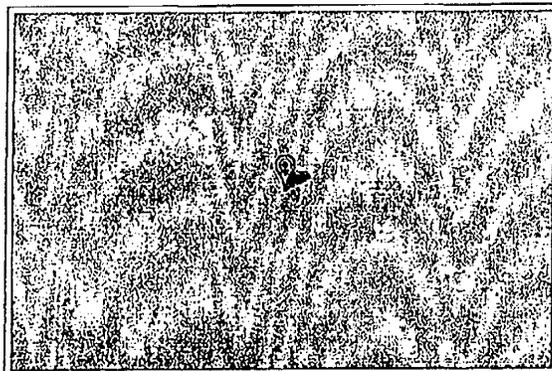
Dittmer, MO 63023

See map: [Google Maps](#)

Phone: 363-274-5226

Contact: Reverend Father Liam Hoare s.P.

Website: <http://www.theservants.org>



2012-06-26 Update  
11:46:56 AM

#### Vianney Renewal Center

Father Liam called to say he will send a fax (done) and also to say that he has been recharging his phone - in case you were trying to reach him. Also Jill Zimmerman called from the center to say that she is easier to reach than Liam. Her number is \_\_\_\_\_

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**MONK\_3408**

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SAINT JOHN  
ABBOT

*for*  
*636 938-5266*  
*for Price*  
*Memorial*

March 7, 2014

Ms. Julie Whitley  
Price Memorial Nursing Home  
300 Forby Road  
Eureka, MO 63023

Dear Ms. Whitley:

Thank you for your voice-mail this morning regarding the expiration of Medicare coverage for *Father Finian (Robert) McDonald, OSB*. It is gratifying news that Father Finian has recovered to a level of independence, even though it means a greater cost for the abbey. Per my previous letter of authorization (1-30-14, I reaffirm our full responsibility for payment for nursing and other care at your facility that Father Finian needs. On reflection, I support Father Finian's desire to be in a private room at a cost of \$194.00 per day.

You may bill me at the following address:

Abbot John Klassen, OSB  
Saint John's Abbey  
Box 2015  
Collegeville, MN 56321

I did receive the faxed material you sent me, including the questions that Finian and the staff have for Dr. Aymerich. I hope this is a fruitful and information-laden encounter.

If you have further questions or need more information, my email address is \_\_\_\_\_ and my telephone number is : \_\_\_\_\_ . Fax is \_\_\_\_\_ Thank you for your care for Father Finian.

Sincerely,

*Abbot John Klassen, OSB*  
Abbot John Klassen, OSB

cc: Father Liam Hoare, s.P.  
Brother Ken Kroeker, OSB



Servants of The Paraclete

Fax Cover Sheet

To: Abbot Claussen

Date: 6-26-12

From: Jill @ VRC

Fax #: \_\_\_\_\_

Pages: 4  
(Including Cover Sheet)

Message

Dear abbot Claussen,

The following pages can be completed and returned by fax to to my attention. If you have any questions please call me at \_\_\_\_\_

Thank you,  
Jill Zimmerman

**Your Temporary Address**

If you are currently living somewhere other than your permanent address, please provide the address. Don't use a post office box. (You may skip this section if you are living at your permanent address.)

Street: \_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_  
County: \_\_\_\_\_  
Current Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
When did you begin living at this address? \_\_\_\_\_  
When do you expect to return to your permanent address? \_\_\_\_\_

**Your Mailing Address**

If the address that you want us to use to send information to you is different than your permanent address, please provide it below. (You may skip this section if your mailing address is the same as your permanent address that you provided.)

Street or P.O. Box: Abbey Business Office 2900 Abbey Plaza  
City, State, ZIP: Collegewille, MN 56321  
County: Stearns  
Current Phone Number: 320-363-2886

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Thank you.

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**Abbot John Klassen's private account**

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**From:** McDonald, Finian  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 04, 2012 9:23 AM  
**To:** Abbot John Klassen's private account; | Licari,  
Jonathan; 'Sister Lynn';  
**Cc:** McGraw, Rene  
**Subject:** RE: conference call on Thursday, July 5, at 2:00 - 3:00 PM CDT

Abbot John...two more thoughts and one reuest...when Steve Vincent first suggested this conference telephone call, it was with the intention that these major parties pool their ideas and suggestions in order to come up with the best solution for responding to this very serious situation. It now seems that the solution has already been determined by you and your staff (with one option)..could you tell us the purpose of this conference call now that the original purpose has been changed. And, it it possible for all of us to have access to the final report of Michelle Solde of Soldo Consulting...prior to this call..thanks...finian

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**From:** McDonald, Finian  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 03, 2012 8:46 PM  
**To:** Abbot John Klassen's private account; | Licari, Jonathan; 'Sister Lynn';  
**Cc:** McGraw, Rene  
**Subject:** RE: conference call on Thursday, July 5, at 2:00 - 3:00 PM CDT

this is only the inclusion of Steven Vincents name and e-mail Thanks for adding..finian

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**From:** McDonald, Finian  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 03, 2012 7:56 PM  
**To:** Abbot John Klassen's private account; | ; Licari, Jonathan; 'Sister Lynn'  
**Cc:** McGraw, Rene  
**Subject:** RE: conference call on Thursday, July 5, at 2:00 - 3:00 PM CDT

Abbot John: In preperation for our telephone conversations set for Thurday at 2 pm, I would like to ask you to put in writing the conclusions and options and circumstances which you read to me from your notes and conversations this morning. It all came without warning so Im not sure if I heard or recall all of the important information that I will have to know in order to respond honestly and completely to the conference call.I would also ask at this time if Fr Rene could be in on this call...I have not asked him as yet. I will also send a copy of this letter to Steve Vincent. I presume that I will be in Steve's office for this call....Thanks..Finian

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**From:** Abbot John Klassen's private account  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 03, 2012 4:28 PM  
**To:** McDonald, Finian; | Licari, Jonathan; 'Sister Lynn'  
**Subject:** conference call on Thursday, July 5, at 2:00 - 3:00 PM CDT

Finian, I am assuming that you will inform Steve Vincent and will be calling in from his office.

The optimum time is 2:00 - 3:00 PM on Thursday, July 5, CDT.

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If there is difficulty, my cell is:

+John

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**Abbot John Klassen's private account**

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**From:**  
**Sent:** Thursday, July 05, 2012 11:00 AM  
**To:** Abbot John Klassen's private account  
**Subject:** Re: conference call on Thursday, July 5, at 2:00 - 3:00 PM CDT

My ph # is  
Sent via BlackBerry from T-Mobile

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**From:** Abbot John Klassen's private account  
**Date:** Thu, 5 Jul 2012 15:56:04 +0000  
**To:**  
**Subject:** RE: conference call on Thursday, July 5, at 2:00 - 3:00 PM CDT

Sister Lynn, Michael Airdo is going to give you a call regarding this matter. +John

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**From:**  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 03, 2012 9:13 PM  
**To:** Abbot John Klassen's private account  
**Cc:** McDonald, Finian  
**Subject:** Re: conference call on Thursday, July 5, at 2:00 - 3:00 PM CDT

Dear Abbot John,  
Fr Finian's email this afternoon is the first I had heard of this situation.  
I want to echo Fr Finian's request for something in writing from you as to what you discussed with Finian today, as he is unable to effectively inform me. I ask that you can send this information to Finian and me tomorrow. I am particularly interested to know what facility you have proposed to send Finian.  
I must say that I was surprised that this incident apparently occurred almost a month of go, and yet today you set a conference call with a number of professionals with just 48 hours notice. And this is a holiday week in which many are likely out of town.  
I will make myself available on Thursday but only if you can provide me by tomorrow the information you imparted to Finian today, especially, as I said, the name and location of the facility you propose to send Finian to, the type of program that is involved, what the goals are for Finian in such a program, and how Fr Finian's health at 84 years old will be cared for while away at such a facility.  
Thank you in advance.  
Lynn McKenzie, osb  
Sent via BlackBerry from T-Mobile

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**From:** Abbot John Klassen's private account  
**Date:** Tue, 3 Jul 2012 21:28:56 +0000  
**To:** McDonald,

**Subject:** conference call on Thursday, July 5, at 2:00 - 3:00 PM CDT

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+John

**ACCEPTANCE OF PLACE OF RESIDENCY**

I have been advised of my right under canon law and the proper law of the American Cassinese Congregation to live at my monastery, Saint John's Abbey.

I have discussed this right with my canonical advocate.

I now freely accept the assignment by my Abbot to live at Vianney Renewal Center, Dittmer, MO.

Further, I agree to and accept the terms and conditions of residence at Vianney Residence Center.

Dated:

Finian McDonald, OSB July 7, 2012

Father Finian McDonald, OSB



VIANNEY RENEWAL CENTER  
*Servants of the Paraclete*

**AUTHORIZATION TO RELEASE INFORMATION**

The undersigned, **Fr. Finian MacDonald, OSB**, does hereby authorize and request that The Order of St. Benedict Priests or Staff at St. John's Abbey furnish information concerning the undersigned to the following persons or organizations, religious institutes and religious authority and his or its agents and representatives which are designated in writing:

The Servants of the Paraclete and Vianney Renewal Center Clinical Staff

The information to be disclosed is:

Resident's diagnosis, prognosis and treatment determined from the resident's records which are maintained in connection with any aspect of the chemical dependency/alcoholism, evaluation and spiritual/psychological rehabilitation program.

The term "records" includes any information, whether recorded or not, relating to the undersigned, which is received or acquired in connection with the performance of any aspect or activity relating to the chemical dependency/alcoholism, evaluation, and spiritual/psychological rehabilitation program.

This authorization shall expire three (3) years following resident's completion of the Vianney Renewal Center Program.

The consent is subject to revocation, in writing, by the undersigned, except to the extent that action has been taken in reliance thereon. Such written revocation shall not be effective until personally delivered to the Director of Vianney Renewal Center.

The undersigned agrees that he shall treat the identity of the other patients at Vianney Renewal Center, and any information that he may learn or obtain with respect to the other patients at Vianney Renewal Center, as confidential information and that he shall not disclose the identity of such other patients or any information pertaining to them to any person or organization for any reason whatsoever.

Finian MacDonald  
Resident

Abbot John Klassen, OSB  
Witness

Dec. 23, 1928  
Date of Birth

July 7, 2012  
Date

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<b>TO:</b> Finian McDonald	
<b>ATTENTION:</b>	
<b>FROM:</b> Ken Phillips	
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SAINT LUKE INSTITUTE, INC. 8901 New Hampshire Avenue Silver Spring, Maryland 20903 USA  Telephone: 301-445-7970	(Program/Person/Agency) <u>Fr. Liam Hoare S.P.</u> (Address) <u>Vianney Renewal Center</u> <u>6476 Eime Rd.</u> (City/State/Zip Code) <u>Dittmer, MO 63023</u> (Telephone) _____

- AS SPECIFIED AND AGREED TO BELOW:**
- I understand I may revoke this consent to release information at any time, except to the extent that action has been taken in reliance thereon, and that upon fulfillment of the stated purpose(s), this consent will automatically expire. Unless sooner revoked or fulfilled, this consent will expire one year from the date signed.
  - Information provided by other professionals to the Saint Luke Institute will be held strictly confidential and will not be released without my expressed written consent.
  - I understand that admission or continued treatment by the Saint Luke Institute is not conditional upon my consenting to release this information.
  - I realize this communication will reveal my presence at the Saint Luke Institute to the person contacted.
  - The benefits and disadvantages of release of this information have been discussed with me.
  - My release of the information is not intended and shall not be construed as a waiver of my privilege as to the confidentiality of medical records or my privilege as to the privacy of the communications with my therapist.
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**SIGNATURES:**

<u>Finian McDonald</u>	<u>Kelly Ryan</u>
Client Signature	Witness Signature
<u>July 9, 2012</u>	<u>July 9, 2012</u>
Date	Date

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Dittmer, MO 63023 - (636) 274-5226  
43.7 mi - about 1 hour 3 mins

**A** Lambert St. Louis International Airport, 10701 Lambert International Boulevard, St. Louis, MO 63145

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- 1. Head **northwest** on **Lambert International Blvd** toward **Main Terminal**  
About 1 min go 0.6 mi  
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- 2. Turn left to merge onto **I-70 W**  
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total 3.5 mi
- 3. Take exit **232A-232B** to merge onto **I-270 S** toward **Memphis**  
About 18 mins go 16.6 mi  
total 20.1 mi
- 4. Take exit **3** to merge onto **MO-30 W**  
About 6 mins go 3.7 mi  
total 23.8 mi
- 5. Keep right at the fork  
About 17 mins go 10.0 mi  
total 33.7 mi
- 6. Continue straight onto **MO-30 W/Gravois Rd**  
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Sign for "Kidd's Inn"* go 0.2 mi  
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- 8. Turn left onto **Dittmer Catawissa Rd** *Sign "Lambert"* go 0.2 mi  
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- 9. Take the 1st right onto **Eime Rd**  
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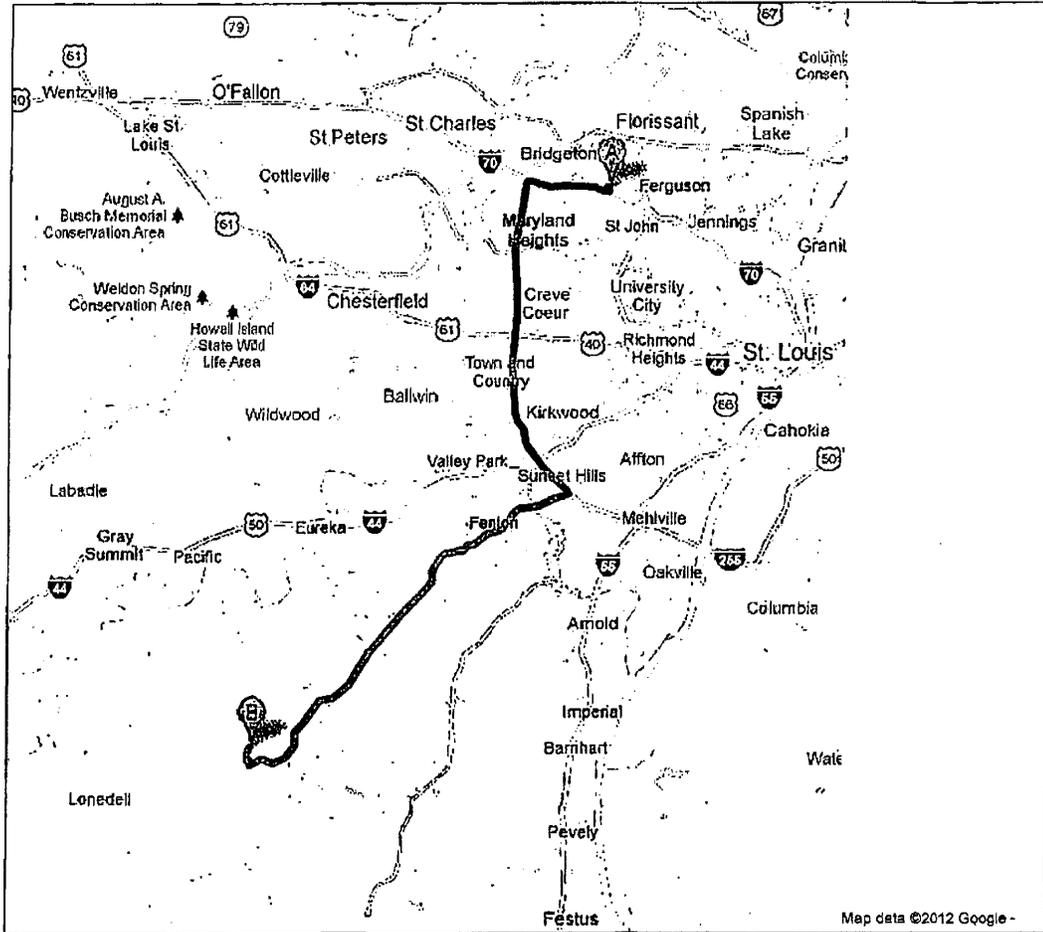
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SAINT JOHN'S  
ABBAY

July 12, 2012

Dear confreres:

In June *Father Finian McDonald* was sexually inappropriate with one of our employees. The resulting investigation showed beyond doubt that this event had transformed Father Finian's status (with safety plan) from low risk to reoffend to high risk.

As a result with the assistance of civil, canonical, and therapeutic counsel, I did an intervention and have asked Father Finian to live at Vianney Renewal Center in Dittmer, Missouri. Today I am traveling with him today to the Center, where he will live for the foreseeable future. Please keep Finian in your thoughts and prayers during a time of a difficult transition.

Abbot John

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EVALUATION INTAKE QUESTIONNAIRE

**PERSONAL INFORMATION**

First Name: FINIAN Middle Initial: ROBERT  
Last Name: MCDONALD Date of Birth: Dec. 23, 1928  
Social Security No:  
Date of First Profession: JULY 11, 1956  
Date of Ordination: JUNE 2, 1962  
Insurance Coverage - Name:  
Medicare X Medicaid \_\_\_\_\_  
Is Evaluatee able to negotiate stairs? yes  
Are there any special dietary needs? No  
Are there any alcohol or drug abuse issues? Member of AA. Sober since 1980  
Are there any current or past legal issues? PAST LEGAL ISSUES, YES  
CURRENT, NO  
Are there any current or past Canonical issues? No current canonical issues  
Has Evaluatee previously been in a residential treatment program? yes Hazelton  
yes - St. Luke Institute  
(If so, Evaluatee will need to sign a "Release in Information" request on behalf of Vianney Renewal Center for each program.)  
Evaluatee may arrive at any time on a Friday. If arriving by air transportation to Vianney Renewal Center will be provided.  
How will Evaluatee arrive at Vianney Renewal Center?  
Car: X Air: Airline \_\_\_\_\_ Flight # \_\_\_\_\_ Time: \_\_\_\_\_

**BILLING INFORMATION**

NAME: Abbot John Klassen, OSB  
ADDRESS: St. John's Abbey  
PHONE: Box 2015  
FAX: Collegewille, MN 56321  
E-MAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

Vianney Renewal Center  
Servants of the Paraclete  
P.O. Box 539  
Cedar Hill, MO 63016

Attention: Father Liam Hoare, s.P.

phone number – main office 636 274-5226, ex. 306  
fax 636 274-1430

## ***Spirituality Interview with Rev. Finian McDonald, o.s.b.***

This interview took place on 7/23/12, and lasted about 1½ hours. Fr. Finian seemed comfortable, well-focused and cooperative throughout the session.

Fr. Finian was raised in a Catholic family in Minneapolis. He is the youngest of 5 brothers. The age-difference between himself and his siblings was so great that he experienced little bonding with them. Both of his parents, and all but one of his brothers are now deceased. He enjoys visiting a couple cousins, but no close family-ties were mentioned, except with his surviving brother.

He attended public grade-school until he graduated to De La Salle Highschool. He had some casual friendships among his peers in highschool, but no romances or deep bonding. After graduation from highschool he enlisted in the Army for a few years, and was stationed in various European countries. His college education was at St John's U in Collegeville, MN, where he earned a two-year associate-degree. Upon graduation, he entered the Benedictine community – as an associate, rather than as a professed monk. He did some post-graduate studies in theology and religious education. He was not a brilliant student, but a dedicated and compliant one.

After ordination to priesthood, he joined the staff of Collegeville in the area of student development. Subsequently he was appointed Dean of Students for a 5-year term. He reports that the previous dean had been rather aloof and uninvolved with students, so Finian was regarded as refreshingly approachable and concerned about student welfare. When he left that office, he continued in various middle-level administrative posts.

Finian admits that while he was on-staff at Collegeville, he engaged in occasional homosexual activity with students in their mid-20's. However, one affair lasted for a couple years, and eventually resulted in an accusation and conviction for sexual misconduct some 30 years after it ceased. Publicity about that case triggered some other accusations which required financial settlements. He admits there are grounds for more suits, but so far they have not surfaced. At the time, he considered those liaisons were not sexual abuse, because they were consensual and with partners over 21. However, after residential therapy at St. Luke Institute, he now admits that any sexual involvement with students or clients is a betrayal of ministerial trust and ethics. He declares he is remorseful about the scandal he may have inflicted on his partners.

Finian admits he has a sexual addiction – but he seems to include it casually among some other addictive behaviors: e.g., raising orchids, shopping, and shop-lifting. He admits his tendency to manipulate people to accept his sexual misconduct as negligible. Although he realizes that publicity about this abuse disqualifies him now from sacramental ministry, he nourishes the hope that maybe in the future ...?

Finian has a speech-impediment which seems quite manageable because of remedial-training. In a way, that impairment may be an asset in his ministry, for his vulnerability seems to put people at ease. He enjoys preaching, and considers that he works hard and does well with it

He has been publically reprimanded by his abbot for what Finian regards as minor issues concerning obedience; but he claims he holds no grudge against him, and that they are now on good terms. He considers he is accepted by most of his confreres, but admits he has never been popular with his peers. This does not seem to bother him.

Finian has become quite disillusioned with the authoritative Church he grew-up in, because of the evident short-comings of so many of its leaders and ministers. His problems in belief seem to be centered not so much on doctrinal aspects as on lack of relevance for today's social issues and scientific developments. He considers he is "alright with God as he has come to know him" – i.e. as the "higher power" encountered in various 12-step programs. This deity seems to be more of an ideal than a personal reality. So Finian may be not so much alienated from the Church, as he is disconnected from it. He has surfed through various faith traditions – especially buddhism – to arrive at a combination of beliefs and practices that "fit" him.

As a monk he had little opportunity to preside at worship; but he considers he participates comfortably as a member of a community of equals. He is confident this style of worship will be available for him at Vianney. He is not intrigued with the rather traditional devotions he has sampled so far in this community. The style of private prayer he favors is a cataphatic experience of being peaceably in the presence of the Holy, with whom he is not emotionally involved. We did not have time to explore specific experiences of prayer – or lack thereof.

He accepts that this is probably his final residential assignment, and he resolves to make the best of it – because there does not seem to be a viable alternative. He considers the community he has met here are friendly and supportive. However, he loves to travel, and is used to having rather free-rein in indulging that urge. Complying with the regulations, supervision, and accountability required by Praesidium may be a problem for him.



Fr. Michael Crosby, o.f.m.

July 28, 2012

**KEVIN SCHULER, PH.D.**  
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Fax: 314 962-5102

**PSYCHOLOGICAL ASSESSMENT**  
7/30/12

Name: Fr. Finian McDonald  
Birthdate: 12-23-28  
Date Tested: 7-30-12

Assessment Methods Used: Clinical Interview, Wechsler, Rorschach, TAT, MMPI II, BSS, BAI, BDI II, SASSI.

Background Information: When asked about coming to Vianney, Father reported "it came all of a sudden. A surprise. I was being suddenly removed from my family, my freedom. On the positive side, I saw it as a challenge. I'm a survivor. I see it as a challenge, a new community, a new group of men who are all wounded healers. In a band of wounded healers. I'm being cautious, a unique family ironed out with a dynamic that has worked out over time, a unique and unusual relationship." "Trying to face the fact of being there forever. I love to travel, be free, be independent, have to see new ways of seeing that."

Father noted that he first entered treatment or rehab in 1980, when he reportedly received treatment for alcoholism. He noted that he did not address sexual issues at that time but that he has remained sober since that time. He noted that he did have a history of acting-out in inappropriate sexual ways with college students, all of whom he noted were of legal age, and that in 1988, he spent a year at St. Luke's. He noted that he "came face to face with my sexuality and who I am." He noted that subsequent to this treatment he has attended follow-up treatments or assessments at St. Luke's and has regularly attended SAA meetings. Father described how in recent years his addictive patterns have only seemed to grow stronger as he has added GA meetings to his list of necessary interventions and has also demonstrated a destructive, addictive pattern of changing the price tags on various items and that he seems to be engaging in hoarding patterns with such things as clothes. He also noted that he has been accumulating orchids in an addictive manner.

Father described how the immediate trigger for the current intervention involved a man of about fifty whom Father noted was "an employee of ours." He described how this man would talk to Father about the break-up of his marriage, and Father noted that he "touched this man's zipper." Father noted that the "man was very upset that I violated him." He described how the man took the issue to the law and to "our office," and

"suddenly I was whisked away as a protection to the Abbey and our religious home." Father denied any history of experiencing abuse or molestation. He described how attempts were made while at St. Luke's to hypnotize him to uncover such memories but that nothing was forthcoming.

Father noted that his parents were married for "thirty something years" before his mom died at age 58 of hardening of the arteries. He described their union as "practical, not a lot of affection." He described dad as "dependable, brought home the money, duty bound, obeyed the contract." He described mom as "warm, friendly, sensitive, she wanted me to be a girl for a while." Father noted that he was the fifth of five sons and that due to the spacing of their ages he often felt like he was an only child. He described how he always looked younger than his peers and that he never appeared quite as mature and was always "athletically weak." He noted that he "stuttered terribly" and endured considerable speech therapy to address this issue. He noted that his grade school and high school years were a painful time as he felt constantly ridiculed by others. He described how he always wanted "to come off as normal," and that meant hiding his sexuality. He described how he soon learned to lie and that he went on to have a history of "lying and pretending." Father noted that his mom passed away when he was 17.

Father described how he spent several years in the Army and that this was a relief as he made friends, "got out on my own," and his stuttering reportedly improved. Father noted that he has had his vocation for fifty years though he described how he originally had not intended to be priest. He described how he was exploring religious life and that in doing so he was encouraged and urged to pursue the priesthood. He described how his vocation as a priest did serve to "embellish" the work he pursued at the university. He noted that he served in a range of functions including being the dean of students, director of freshman, director of academic advancement, and head of the counseling center. He noted that he often lived in the dorms with the students. He noted that he never has been a parish priest, and has not been a "Mass or sacramental priest."

Father denied any history of being treated for a mood disorder and he denied any diagnosis such as bipolar or depression or treatment for such conditions. He did recall being treated with Cymbalta but noted that it was for analgesic reasons as he was experiencing a severe case of shingles.

When asked about anger patterns Father noted that he does not tend to be an angry person and that he does not "express anger very much." He did note that he can be sarcastic and can be mean in a passive-aggressive way. He noted that he does feel intimidated by sudden and inappropriate expressions of anger. In terms of hobbies, he noted that he has "gotten involved with orchids and that he did win a blue ribbon at a state fair because of his orchids. He noted that he is not much of a reader though he would like to do more. He noted that he realizes that he does have many gifts, and that when he visits an old folks home, he realizes that he continues to be blessed with such things as his health, his IQ and his wit and that he is thankful for this.

Test Results: On the Wechsler, he obtained a full-scale score-132, verbal score-124, performance score-140 indicating that he currently functions intellectually, overall, in the very superior range. His subtest scores are as follows: information-10, digit span-6, vocabulary-14, arithmetic-10, comprehension-11, similarities-10, picture completion-10, picture arrangement-8, block design-11, object assembly-9, digit symbol-5. This pattern of subtest scatter suggests the following hypotheses. Firstly, while the expected drops in cognitive scores has occurred consistent with his age, when his work is corrected for norms, he displays superb cognitive skills both on verbal and visual-motor tasks. His relatively strong work on the two abstract subtests--similarities and block design--tends to contraindicate the presence of a dementia or any significant organic impairment, beyond what is normally associated with his age. The pattern of performance over verbal scores is a pattern that is associated with the presence of primary character issues rather than a primary pathological disruption. This observation does not mesh easily with personality test data which suggests at least a possible pathological component here. His superb cognitive skills may not make the task of intervention and meaningfully involving Father in a difficult treatment process and addressing such issues as the inevitable resistance any easier.

Personality testing suggests the following hypotheses. His work on the Beck Scales suggests only a mild degree of affective disruption. Indeed, his work on the BDI suggests a mild overall level of depression. He reports experiencing a mild degree of pessimism, loss of pleasure, guilty feelings punishment feelings, self-dislike, agitation, loss of interest, indecisiveness, changes in sleeping patterns, and changes in appetite.

His work on the BAI suggests only a mild degree of anxiety. He reports experiencing a mild degree of feeling hot, wobbliness in legs, unable to relax, fear of the worst happening, dizzy or lightheaded, unsteady and indigestion or discomfort in abdomen.

On the BSS he denies any patterns associated with suicide.

His work on the SASSI suggests a high probability of his having a substance dependence disorder which is consistent with his reported history. It should be noted that his score on the defensiveness scale is quite low as he appears to be frank and open in his report of addictive patterns. It should also be noted that his highest scale score is on a supplemental addiction measure suggesting that his addictive patterns are not simply a function of chemical addiction but extend to other areas--a pattern which is entirely consistent with his reported multi-addictive patterns.

The validity scales on the MMPI suggest a valid profile as he neither appears to be exaggerating nor minimizing his report of symptoms. The lack of defensiveness on this scale and on the SASSI is noteworthy as, again, Father appears to be frankly reporting on his issues and problems and does not appear to display the usual defensiveness or attempts to cover or minimize problems that is often seen on these assessments.

His clinical profile contains a single significant elevation, on the psychosexual scale.

This elevation suggests that Father may be experiencing conflict or dissonance in this area of his life, an observation that clearly is consistent with his self-report of his issues. It should be noted that the lack of elevations on the other clinical scales does not automatically rule-out the presence of other psychopathology. Indeed, this MMPI is an objective measure meaning that he can control the direction of his responses. 'False-negative' findings are not uncommon here.

At a sub-clinical level, the relative elevations among the clinical scales does suggest a number of hypotheses. Firstly, this profile suggests hysteroid or histrionic tendencies. He appears to use some repression in dealing with difficult feelings, experiences or impulses, as he may display some limitations in his awareness of his emotional interior or of the causes or consequences of his actions or feelings. The relationship of the hysteroid scale to the anti-social scale suggests that his acting-out patterns may appear to contain more of an impulsive component rather than a deliberate, anti-social component. Mild compulsive and mild hypomanic features are also suggested here. Indeed, this MMPI suggests a greater propensity towards hypomanic than towards depressive patterns. Father appears to be markedly socially extroverted.

Projective testing, which attempts to look at what resides beneath the psychological surface, suggests the following hypotheses. Firstly, and perhaps most significantly, Father presents strong evidence of a pattern that was neither discussed nor identified either during interviewing nor in other reports. Indeed, this projective testing provides solid and repeated evidence of a mild to moderate disruption in his mood characterized by mild hypomanic patterns. This data does not suggest the presence of a classic bipolar illness. However, he does display much evidence of displaying mood disruption or affective patterns that approach or suggest a partial or low grade bipolar disruption or cyclothymia. He appears to be extremely reactive to the emotional tones in his environment and appears to regularly display an overreaction to the emotional tones in his environment. He presents evidence of experiencing mild euphoric moods and presents evidence of displaying emotional lability and agitation. A range of disrupted anger patterns are suggested here from evidence of his having episodic explosive outbursts to patterns of irritability and oppositionality. He appears capable of displaying a range of hypomanic symptoms including restlessness, a low tolerance for frustration, overactivity and impulsivity. Indeed, the suggestion from this data is that his acting-out patterns have been fueled, exacerbated or facilitated, at least in part, by a moderate mood disruption.

Accompanying these disrupted affective patterns, he presents strong evidence of displaying addictive patterns and addictive potential. Consistent with his report, the extent of this addictive potential suggests the potential for a mixed and multiple addictive patterns. Several lines of evidence here suggest that an oral fixation is present suggesting that drinking and eating patterns might be involved with the addictions. Narcissistic or egocentric patterns are seen here. Regressive tendencies are seen here as a stressful or emotionally-charged context may trigger a reversion to a developmentally more immature mind set or behavior. While he does not demonstrate marked patterns of sexual preoccupation, he does present some evidence of sexual preoccupation. Indeed, in

conjunction with the evidence of regressive tendencies, patterns of impulsivity and the strong addictive potential, this data appears both consistent with and suggestive of the presence of unspecified sexual pathology or a paraphilia.

His TAT stories contain a number of themes which appear to resonate in his personality. He appears to have felt some pressure from an early age to achieve and perform and while he appears to have tried to adhere to such pressure, this data suggests that he has resented it. His social-interpersonal world appears to have been overshadowed by his impulses and addictions. He appears to have experienced conflicts in his social-interpersonal world including mixed feelings towards his mom, significant losses, and a neediness towards his dad, though the suggestion from his TAT stories is that he can be determined in the pull from his impulses and addictions while pitching a degree of indifference and even a sense of being 'cold' in the face of other interpersonal-emotional pulls in his world.

Diagnostic Impression: 1) Paraphilia, NOS; 2) Mixed Addictions; 3) Cyclothymia.

Conclusion: Results from cognitive and neuropsychological testing reveal a very superior level of intellectual functioning and contraindicate the presence of a dementia. Any neuropsychological deterioration would appear to be consistent with what is seen with his age. His level of intellectual functioning may make it difficult to identify and challenge the usual patterns of resistance and defensiveness seen with his presenting pathology, and to meaningfully involve him in the treatment process. While he does not present with significant defensiveness, more subtle forms of denial, which are consistent with the mood disorder he is presenting, may be seen here.

Indeed, this data does suggest the presence of a moderate mood disorder which appears characterized by evidence of a mild euphoria, mild elevated moods, agitation, uncontrolled or poorly controlled or poorly modulated mood states, restlessness, irritability, emotional overreaction, limited tolerance for frustration and impulsivity. He presents evidence of displaying a range of disrupted anger patterns, from oppositionality and passive, indirect displays of anger to evidence of explosive outbursts. This data did not yield much evidence of his experiencing depression. However, the evidence of these hypomanic features suggests a low grade bipolar condition or cyclothymia. The suggestion from this data is that the patterns of impulsivity, seen with a cyclothymia, exacerbate his other addictive, impulsive patterns, and may be a confounding factor in treating such patterns. However, this data also reveals strong evidence of addiction potential indicating confirmation of the multiple addictive patterns, including the sexual, seen here. Furthermore, he presents evidence of regressive tendencies, evidence of compulsive tendencies, evidence of narcissistic tendencies, and while the evidence of sexual preoccupation is not strong here, he does display some evidence of sexual preoccupation. Indeed, these patterns suggest the presence of specific sexual pathology, or a paraphilia, independent of the presence of a mood disorder. Indeed, this data suggests that treatment strategies need to target a number of pathologies including the evidence of the cyclothmic mood pathology, his mixed and multiple addiction patterns, and specifically his sexual addiction and paraphilia, all of which appear to complexly

interact with each other.

Kevin Schuler

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "K Schuler". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "K" and a stylized "Schuler".

## INITIAL PSYCHIATRIC EVALUATION

**CLIENT:** Father Finian McDonald  
**AGE:** 83  
**DATE:** 08/03/12  
**TIME:** 60 minutes  
**DOB:** 12/23/28

### IDENTIFYING DATA

This is the first psychiatric evaluation with this examiner for this 83-year-old Benedictine priest.

### INFORMANTS

Informants include Father Finian who is considered generally reliable.

### REFERRAL SOURCE

Vianney Renewal Center.

### REASON FOR EVALUATION

To clarify his psychiatric diagnoses and any basis for use of ongoing psychotropic medication use.

### PRECIPITATING EVENT

None specifically described.

### DISPOSITION

To be based on the results of the evaluation feedback conference. As needed, he may be scheduled to see me back in four weeks for any ongoing medication management.

### CHIEF COMPLAINT

"I'm here as part of my evaluation".

### HISTORY OF PRESENT ILLNESS

Father Finian has what could be described as a series of addictions to alcohol, gambling, and sexual behaviors. He has had previous evaluations including one year at St. Luke's Institute in 1988 with yearly follow up there after. He says he has never had a specific psychiatric evaluation, but that most likely did take place in some fashion at St. Luke's. The reader is also referred to information from his order regarding multiple details about, not only the sexual concerns, but the alcohol, gambling, and financial and related legal concerns. I do not have access to those records at this time. He also was at Hazelton for evaluation and treatment for alcoholism and the description of that treatment is in the accompanying records. He said he has never had a specific evaluation or treatment program in and of itself for his gambling issues.

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Regarding the alcohol issue and his history of alcohol dependence, he said he has been alcoholic since 1980 and went to Hazelton and remained there for one month. He said he has been clean now for some 31 years. He did meetings for a while, but seemingly does not go to specific AA meetings any more as far as I can tell. What meetings he does go to are a combined GA and SA meeting. He said he has been to some SA meetings since arrival here about three weeks ago. He said he usually tries to do two SA meetings a week and one GA meeting a week and has a sponsor in both places.

**PAST PSYCHIATRIC HISTORY**

He denies any history of depressive illness. There is no history of major depressive disorder nor of dysthymia. I am not aware of any history of bipolar illness such as mania, hypomania, cyclothymia, or of bipolar II.

He denies any history of drug abuse.

I am not aware of specific evidence of phobic, obsessive compulsive, anxiety, or hysterical neurosis. There is no evidence known of somatoform or somatization disorder, panic disorder, generalized anxiety disorder, or known post-traumatic stress disorder. I am not aware of any scrupulous behaviors.

I am not aware of psychosis or schizophrenia. He said that he is aware that sometimes in the last few years he has been somewhat more forgetful than usual, but I am not aware of any neurological evaluation for early dementia or any other such consultation in the recent past.

There is no history that I know of of dementia.

I am not aware of any history of significant head trauma, periods of unconsciousness, history of skull fracture, evidence of epilepsy, or seizure disorder. Other than age related changes, I am not aware of recent significant changes in vision, hearing or headaches, abnormal bodily movements, tics, dysfunction of extremities, ataxia, incoordination, paresthesias, or anesthesia. There is no known history of narcolepsy, cataplexy, sleep apnea, nor seasonal affective disorder.

I am not aware of eating disorder.

He has had significant difficulties with legal problems relating to changing retail tags and an addiction to collecting clothes. He would collect them, but not for purposes of wearing them. He was placed on probation for this and that is coming up for completion soon. He was somewhat vague about the timing there.

I am not aware of long term schizoid or schizotypal, paranoid, borderline, histrionic, passive/dependent, avoidant, or obsessive compulsive features of significance. There may be anti-social, narcissistic, and passive/aggressive features.

**Father Finian McDonald, page 3, Initial Psychiatric Evaluation, 08/03/12**

**PAST MEDICAL HISTORY**

Operations: He said that he had his esophagus expanded at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota in 2006.

Other hospitalizations: He was on a hike in the Army, developed exhaustion and pneumonia and was hospitalized when he was in his 20s.

**DRUG ALLERGIES**

None reported.

**OVER THE COUNTER DRUG ABUSE**

He denies.

**CURRENT PRESCRIPTION MEDICATIONS**

He takes Cymbalta 20 mg twice daily for a history of shingles, but not for depression. He also is on Advair one twice daily, Lisinopril 5 mg in the morning and 10 mg twice daily, Metformin 250 mg twice daily, Lopressor 25 mg twice daily, Omega-3 one per day, and Prilosec 20 mg twice daily as well as D3 supplement 1000, CoQ-10 100, and 1 grain Aspirin per day.

**FAMILY HISTORY**

His father died of heart disease at 65 and his mother died of arteriosclerotic cardiovascular disease at age 58. He said she had vascular dementia and was in a psychiatric nursing home. He was 18 years old when she died. He has four brothers. He is the youngest. The next one was fourteen years his senior. He was essentially raised as an only child. He had one sister who died a few days after birth. He said all of his brothers are deceased. He is not aware of what their cause of death is. I am not aware of any other family history of alcoholism, chemical dependency, or known psychiatric disorder.

**SOCIAL HISTORY**

He was born and raised in Minneapolis, attended the University of Minnesota for two years, worked for two years, went into the military for one year in the U.S. in Richmond, Virginia, and then one year in Frankfurt, Germany. Then he went to St. John's and was ultimately ordained doing all of his theology and major seminary at St. John's and was ordained in 1962.

He has spent all of his time at St. John's in various capacities, living in the dorm as a resident counselor, doing counseling, various administrative positions as director of placement, dean of students, director of academic advising and so forth. He spent two summers learning psychiatric counseling at Georgetown and has a master's in education and counseling from Boston College. He spent three years at the Priory in Japan and sometime at the Priory in Nassau. He has been full time retired now for approximately twelve years. He does not smoke.

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He said, again, that he has no history of depressive illness and that in general terms on a 0-100 scale, he puts his mood at approximately 85.

**MENTAL STATUS EXAM**

This is a well-developed, well-nourished, 83-year-old Benedictine priest. His general appearance is essentially normal for his age. There is no psychomotor abnormality. His affect is essentially normal. There is no formal thought disorder, push of speech, flight of ideas, irritability or euphoria. He self-reports his mood as essentially euthymic. There are no psychotic features. There are thoughts of harm to self or others. He is fully oriented. Immediate recall, recent and remote memory, general fund of knowledge, cognitive functions and simple calculations are conducted without error except for the fact that he was a little bit mixed up at times in terms of the exact length of time. He might have been one place or another, how long he has been retired and details such as that. Insight and judgment is somewhat compromised in terms of insight about his behaviors.

**IMPRESSION**

- Axis I**
1. History of alcohol dependence.
  2. History of sexual addiction.
  3. History of gambling addiction.
  4. Adjustment disorder with mixed features.
- Axis II** Personality disorder, not otherwise specified, with possible anti-social, narcissistic, and passive/aggressive features.
- Axis III**
1. Status post esophageal dilatation.
  2. History of shingles.
  3. History of possible bronchial asthma.
  4. History of apparent hypertension.
  5. History of diabetes type II, non-insulin dependent adult onset.
  6. History of GERD.
- Axis IV** Acute circumstances: Mild; enduring circumstances: Mild to moderate.
- Axis V** GAF: Current (at time of evaluation) – 65-70; highest past year – 70-75.

**PLAN & RECOMMENDATIONS**

1. Psychological testing should be reviewed to clarify any other diagnosable disorders.
2. Outside sources appear to have been fairly reasonably ascertained already, but they could be contacted for additional details as indicated.
3. I am not aware of any specific reason for him to see me with regard to medication management, but I am happy to see him if that is useful.

# PSYCHOSEXUAL ASSESSMENT

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**DATE:** August 12, 2012

**NAME:** Father Finian McDonald

**DOB:** 12-23-28

**CONTACT PERSON:** Abbot John Klassen, O.S.B.

**RELIGIOUS ORDER:** OSB

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Thank You for the referral of Father Finian McDonald, who was seen for a psychosexual assessment on July 20, 2012. He presented himself neatly dressed, well groomed and attentive during both personal interviews... he was generally polite and cooperative and professed to understand all of the instructions involving the test instruments and psychosexual history. He appeared open and candid in his revealing and often volunteered information on his own accord (albeit somewhat rehearsed and rather unemotional and academic in its presentation).

Father Finian stated that he was sent to Vianney Renewal Center due to his history of sexual abuse of minors and a recent episode(s) of making sexually inappropriate comments to employees of the center where he resided. Specifically, he gave an example of, "touching an employee of ours on the chest and rubbing my hand up and down his crotch area." He also acknowledged making several unwanted contacts with two students; personal/sexual conversations and inappropriate email message(s).

## **PERSONAL HISTORY:**

Father Finian related that he was born in St. Andrews Hospital in Minneapolis, Minnesota, the youngest of five sons born to His father was a tool and die maker and mother a homemaker. He explained that he was fourteen years younger than his next oldest brother and felt as if he was raised as an only child... "my brothers were either living away from home or just plain didn't want to have anything to do with their, "kid brother." He expressed further that he felt his mother always wanted a girl, ("instead of being surrounded by men,") and in his later years, always thought of himself as a, "menopausal baby and an unwanted accident." It was his perception that his mother wanted a girl (as a companion) instead of being constantly surrounded by what Father Finian referred to as, "insensitive men."

Interestingly, he explained that it was his perception, that he was raised, "in those early years as a girl, clothes and all," and professed that his mother gave him a lot of love and attention. He further explained that he may have served as his mother's companion... a girl whom she could dress up and play with. In contrast, he felt that his father was rather cold and distant... often making it clear that he was disappointed in his sons. He stated, "I turned out to be the only gay and although he may have accepted this later in life, I got the clear message that there is no room for gays in this basket."

He stated that he recalled sitting on his brother, [redacted] lap at age 7 or 8 and attempting to touch his penis. [redacted] pushed my hand away, he seemed surprised and I would call it an awkward moment. But I don't really remember a lot from those early years. That was when I started becoming aware of my stuttering... in grade school, speaking in class became more and more drama. I was fearful, kids made fun of me (as well as one substitute teacher). I wasn't considered smart and I didn't do well in sports... not very happy years for me (no close friends)."

Father Finian related that in late high school he began to develop more self confidence (but emphasized that he was still, "classed," as a severe stutterer). He recalled that he didn't date; but professed to have a sexual attraction to a senior athlete (who was also class president). He also explained that it was around this time that he began to sexually act out. "With football types... sometimes in the back of class. I also began a relationship with a handsome, well built neighbor friend, and we continued a friendship long after the sex stopped."

After high school, Father Finian related that he became very active in the church and developed a close relationship with the assistant priest (they went on several trips together ( Fr. Finian denied any type of sexual relationship). It was also during this time that his mother died... "I handled all the arrangements and never cried once. I rarely ever cry."

He entered a general college program (1946) and it was during this period of time that he was able to participate in intensive speech therapy (with some notable progress). In 1949, he was drafted into the United States Army and was selected to work in the field of code and security. Although this was during the Korean War, he was assigned duty for one year in the United States and a second year in Germany. He explained that it was in Germany that he met several friends (non sexual) and felt that he began to, "grow up and develop some self confidence."

In 1951, upon discharge, he enrolled in St. Johns Abbey University and was encouraged to prepare for the priesthood. He was ordained in 1962 and lived as a dormitory prefect for twenty-nine years. He stated, "I held a variety of other jobs as well; even got an advanced degree... never lived in a monastery at all." He did indicate that during most of the time that he served as dormitory prefect, he was acting out sexually, abusing alcohol, gambling, stealing/shoplifting. He stated, "I am not really sure why I do those things... even going through treatment (at Hazelden) and being treated and evaluated (at St. Luke), I still don't have any answers."

Father Finian indicated that prior to coming to Vianney Renewal Center, he had been involved in outpatient counseling with Dr. Steve Vincent.

#### **TEST ANALYSIS AND INTERPRETAION:**

For The purpose of this evaluation, the following instruments were administered: Minnesota Multiphasic Personality Inventory II, Rotter Incomplete Sentences, House, Tree, Person Test, Multiphasic Sexual Inventory, Nichols and Molinder Psychosexual Life History, Sexual Behavioral Assessment Profile, Sexual Offender Screening Tool, Screening for Pedophilic Interests, Static 99 Risk Assessment, Vermont Risk Assessment and Risk Assessment Profile for Clergy.

**The MMPI II** indicates some level of distress. He may experience difficulty in coping due to feelings of inadequacy and difficulties in thinking, ranging from lack of concentration and unusual beliefs to confusion and delusions. The combination of insecurity and poor social/interpersonal skills may lead to continual worry and agitation and a sense of not belonging (or alienation).

An unusually high level of energy and excitement is expressed; he reports elevated and expansive moods with involvement in many activities, interests and ideas. However, he may have difficulty in focusing on one task and following through with the completion of plans (due to restlessness, distractibility and impulsive tendencies). Moods may quickly change to annoyance and anger (due to a low frustration tolerance). There may also be periods of low moods, particularly when there are setbacks to fulfilling ideas and plans. When mood is extremely elevated, racing thoughts, pressured speech and excessive activity without regard for consequences may occur. Similarly, he may initially impress others as an extraordinary person, but he may be deceptive, manipulative and overly demanding.

He expresses much difficulty with anxiety (which may interfere in his overall level of functioning).

A high level of antisocial characteristics is reported. These currently appear less extreme or less of a focus by the patient relative to other areas of major psychopathology. However, a pattern of irresponsibility, impulsive behavior, and a lack of concern for others may interrelate with other problems.

He does not display the usual pattern of characteristics conventionally associated with the traditional male role or personality. The differences with other men are so great that there is a possibility of a sexual identity conflict.

**The House, Tree, Person Test...** suggests a lack of interpersonal warmth in the family (origin) home and difficulty associated with male sexuality. He may experience an obsessive need to control his primary environment. He may be (emotionally) inaccessible to others (but may be willing to approach others on his own terms). He may experience poor impulse control, impulsive and labile temperament and significant anxiety. There may be guilt and inhibition regarding discharge of aggression. Sexual identity issues may be present. There are suggestions of childhood sexual abuse or, at least, a very early exposure to sexual feelings/sexual behavior.

The Multiphasic Sexual Inventory reveals the following TRUE responses on the problematic family of origin and sexual victimization/sexual history index.

- I felt distanced from my father.
- Often times, I felt unwanted as a child.
- I felt lonely as a child.
- I felt inferior to my peers.
  
- I have exposed my penis from a car.
- In truth, I was quite clever and sneaky in planning my offense.
- I have private fantasies that I do not share.
- I admit that I have committed a sex offense.
- I need help because I am unable to control my sexual behaviors.
- As an adult, I have shoplifted and stolen things.
- I have masturbated while secretly watching someone.
- Even though someone has asked me to stop bothering them with sexual talk, gestures, touching or following them, I did not stop.
- I often drift into daydreams about sex.
- There are times that I have looked in windows to see if I could see someone nude or having sex.
- There have been times that I have pressed my penis against someone.

The Child Molest Scale of the MSI II... assesses a client's level of recognition/ acceptance/understanding of the pattern of his molest behavior. It was found that this client scored in the **partially disclosing range** when compared to the nationally standardized samples of adult male child molesters. The following scales and subscales reveal...

**Sexual fantasies (deviant arousal)**... is a precursor step in which sexual themes involving children (including adolescents) have been used for sexual stimulation; in this client's case, it was found that he seriously minimizes ever having deviant sexual desires (or having been sexually aroused) by fantasies involving a child (adolescent).

**Sexual behaviors (sexual assault)**... a final step in which a purposeful and willful decision has been made to act out latent deviant sexual desires involving touching, fondling, oral contact, penetration between a child/minor; In this case, it was found that he is minimally disclosing of having acted out molest/assault behaviors involving a minor.

**Scheming scale**... assesses a client's recognition of his use of planning strategies that he used to set up his offense behavior. It was found that:

- He only minimally acknowledges setting up his offense.
- He denies being preoccupied or obsessed with sex.
- He denies specific planning strategies (even involving what he has already acknowledged as his target victims).

**Denial scale...** assesses a client's use of excuses for having engaged in sexual contact with a minor. His responses to items on the Dn scale shows that he maintains that 1. In most cases, his primary target victim was not always underage. 2. His victims were willing to participate in sex with him. 3. many of his victims were prostitutes, and therefore, willing victims.

**Justification scale...** identifies a client's lack of ability to take full responsibility for his sexual behavior by placing blame on others or by placing blame on circumstances beyond his control. In this case, the Ju scale shows that he believes that his sex offenses occurred because: 1. He defines himself as gay. 2. He believes that his victims may have been willing participants. 3. Many victims were prostitutes and therefore, they were willing participants and may have benefited from the encounter. 4. He may see his sexual involvement with minors as a, "lover relationship," born out of a distorted fantasy (defined by Father Finian as, "simulated lovemaking,"). He further commented, "I was searching for Mr. Wonderful."

**The sexual attractions profile...** offers a look at specific sexual attractions identified by the client through his expressed interests (historical reporting or through identification of specific images. Father Finlan's specific sexual attraction is identified as post pubescent males, ages 12 to 19. He reports being sexually attracted to adult males; athletic, slender in build, developed pec area muscular and large penis size. He reported being particularly attracted to young males whom he perceived to be impressed with his status and attentive to his needs.

#### **SEXUAL BEHAVIORAL PROFILE:**

- Youngest acknowledged sexual contact (victim), age 13 or 14 (Thai prostitute).
- Oldest, age 70 (or above).
- 18 sexual contact victims while serving as a Dormitory Prefect (reported that the usual ages of these particular victims were 18 to 22.
- Voyeurism
- Frottage
- Seeking prostitutes (primarily while traveling in foreign countries, he reported seeking adolescents in gay/prostitution bars where young males wore numbers and were selected by customers.
- Giving massages (sometimes to students)
- Total number of sexual partners reported (during priesthood) as 200
- Obscene phone calls
- Joined in on sex talk on the internet
- Pressed penis up against someone
- Peeped on strangers
- Peeped on family members
- Looked at sex pictures on the internet
- Peeped on an adult
- Exposed to an adult
- Met sex partner through the internet
- Use of alcohol during sex
- Other sexual paraphilias reported

**RISK ASSESSMENT MEASURES:**

**STATIC 99-R** is a risk assessment measure commonly used within the criminal justice system. This measure takes into consideration; relationship to the victim, power and control, lived with the victim and or victim known to the offender. Use of violence during the sexual contact, number of victims, enticed, bribed or threatened the victim and number of criminal offenses (historical). Father Finian fell within the **moderate range of risk without violence** (acknowledged pattern of sexual offending behaviors).

**VERMONT RISK ASSESSMENT...** is a risk measure that considers the number of prior victims, relationship to the victim, prior criminal history and use of force (violence). Father Finian scored within the upper scale of the moderate risk category (for repeating criminal, sexual behavior).

**SEXUAL BEHAVIORAL ASSESSMENT PROFILE FOR CLERGY...** considers a wide range of risk factors related to each client, including; treatment progress, acceptance of offending behavior and ability to identify precursors to sexual offending, ability to implement adequate relapse prevention measures, utilize a support system, number of sexual victims, legal convictions, age of offender and time between offenses to present. This measure also considers the offender's ability to reduce risk factors within his present life situation. Father Finian scored within the **moderate to high risk category** (to repeat parallel offense behaviors).

His overall risk for monitoring purposes: **MODERATE TO HIGH RISK**

**DIAGNOSTIC IMPRESSION:**

**AXIS I** DYSTHYMIC DISORDER  
 RO GENERALIZED ANXIETY DISORDER  
 SEXUAL PARAPHILIA  
 SEXUAL ABUSE OF A MINOR  
 RO OBSESSIVE COMPULSIVE DISORDER  
**AXIS II** RO ANTISOCIAL PERSONALITY DISORDER  
 RO SCHIZOID PERSONALITY DISORDER  
**AXIS III** PER HISTORY  
**AXIS IV** RELATIONAL, VOCATIONAL  
**AXIS V** 45, HIGHEST IN YEAR 55

**SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS:**

The primary issue in this case seems to be the fact that Father Finian is Intellectually, very bright and in many ways, he seems to project significant warmth and caring. He is a pleasure to interview, yet he seems to have little ability to establish and apply appropriate social/relational filters in his life and formulate deep, healthy, interpersonal relationships. For example, he came to Vianney Renewal Center after a recent episode of inappropriate behavior with an employee of the center where he resided. Yet,

during an interview with this therapist, he demonstrated no insight into why he obviously crossed sexual boundaries with this young man.

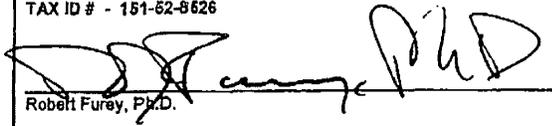
In this same light, I have had the opportunity to witness Finian's behavior among the residents at Vianney Renewal Center. His behavior toward other residents (whom he appears to designate as friends) appears to have almost the tone of a flirtatious grade school student... flipping the tassel of his robe on the shoulder of a fellow resident who was praying in chapel. Filers... that do not always seem to be set to the adult priest and, in fact, may mimic that of an adolescent.

The other interesting aspect of this case is the fact that Father Finian has been involved in an intensive treatment program for sexual addictions and compulsions, however, he does not seem to demonstrate even the very basic relapse prevention methods to guard against re-offending. Having said this, I would strongly recommend that Father Finian participate in a group therapy treatment modality (for sexual addictions/compulsions) and work concurrently with a mental health therapist/psychologist to address the aforementioned issues.

As a caution, I would not recommend that he attend any outside the Vianney Center support group (for example an SA group) which would place him in direct contact with potential (recovering) victims.

William B. Brown, L.P.C.  
Missouri License Number MO001193  
Certified Forensic Examiner  
A.T.S.A. Clinical Member  
N.O.T.A. Clinical Member

**Robert Furey, Ph.D.**  
 Licensed Professional Counselor #000174  
 204 Spencer Rd.  
 St. Louis, MO 63119  
 (314) 954-5939

Insurance Copy – attach this statement to your insurance Claim Form. Complete the personal information requested on the form. This statement contains all the information the doctor is required to supply. It is not necessary for this office to fill out the insurance claim form.					
Patient Name <i>McDonald, Fihan</i>		Birthdate		Insured's Name	
Insurance Company		Relationship to Insured		Insured's Address	
Other Insurance		Group Number		Insured's ID Number	
Diagnosis				Illness Connected to Employment	
DESCRIPTION	CPT-4	FEE	(NOT FOR INSURANCE REPORT)	FEE	<p>This form has been adopted to keep paper work costs down. If any additional forms or itemized bills are required, they will be forwarded upon receipt of \$15.00</p> <p>I hereby authorize the undersigned doctor to release any information required in the course of my examination or treatment. And I am financially responsible for non-covered services.</p> <p>Signature of Responsible Party _____</p> <p>I authorize payment of Healthcare benefits to undersigned supplier of services described.</p>
Interpret/Explain Results	90887		Legal Consultation		
Preparation of Report	90889		Deposition		
Phone Consult with or about Patient	90831		Preparation for Deposition		
Conference with or about Patient	99156		Court Appearance		
Psychotherapy – Time Spec.	90841		Preparation for Testimony		
Psychotherapy – 25-30 Minutes	90816		Travel for Aftercare		
Psychotherapy – 45-50 Minutes	90816		Correspondence		
Group Psychotherapy	90853		Meditation		
Diagnostic Interview	90801		Custody Evaluation		
Psychotherapy (45-50 minutes)	90806		Telephone Consultation		
Neuropsychological Testing	99199		Review of Records		
Cognitive Testing	95882		School Consultation		
Personality Testing	95882				
Psycho-Educational Testing	95881				
MULTIPLE VISITS:			MULTIPLE VISITS (CON'T):		
DATE	PROCEDURE	FEE	DATE	PROCEDURE	FEE
<i>8-7-12</i>	<i>90853</i>	<i>40.00</i>			
<i>8-14-12</i>	<i>90853</i>	<i>40.00</i>			
TOTAL FEES				<i>80.00</i>	
Psychotherapist Providing Services: Robert Furey, Ph.D.  TAX ID # - 151-62-8626  <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div style="text-align: center;">             Robert Furey, Ph.D.         </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <i>8-16-12</i>            Date         </div> </div>					





**Abbot John Klassen's private account**

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**From:** Andert, Tom  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 23, 2012 11:21 AM  
**To:** Abbot John Klassen's private account  
**Cc:** Andert, Tom  
**Subject:** RE: two things for Finian

I think we have this set up now and ready to go.

Thanks,  
Tom

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**From:** Abbot John Klassen's private account  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 22, 2012 3:52 AM  
**To:** Andert, Tom  
**Subject:** two things for Finian

Hello Tom –

Could you arrange for two things for Finian?

- 1) Finian should receive a check each month for \$100 – he can cash it at VRC for spending money. He should receive a check yet for August –or he will run out of money.
- 2) Could you have someone like Isaac send Finian his 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> class mail – things like catalogues and other things that are important to Finian. I think this will help Finian make this difficult transition.

Thanks for your help on these. John





Contracted Services Statement

Date August 30, 2012  
 Name William B. Brown  
 Address 1031 Perdue Crossing Ct.  
O'Fallon, Mo. 63368  
 Telephone Number 636-887-3655  
 Tax ID \_\_\_\_\_

Date	Name/Description	Charge
	FINIAN Mc D.	
8/22/12	IND 90806 (RPP)	90.00
8/22/12	GRP. 90853	35.00
8/24/12	IND. 90806 (RPP)	90.00
8/24/12	GRP 90853	35.00

Approved by \_\_\_\_\_ Total Charges 250.00



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Cedar Hill, MO 63016

# Invoice

Date	Invoice #
8/31/2012	13121

Bill To
St. John's Abbey Abbot John Klassen Box 2015 Collegeville, MN 56321-2015

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Office of the Abbot

Resident	Terms
Finian McDonald	Net 30

Quantity	Description	Rate	Amount
31	Residence - In Patient Services	115.00	3,565.00
1	Psychologist - Dr. Rob Furey-Individual 90818	125.00	125.00
4	Psychologist- Dr. Rob Furey - Group 90853	40.00	160.00
2	Counselor- Bill Brown - Individual 90806	90.00	180.00
2	Counselor- Bill Brown - Individual 90887	90.00	180.00
2	Counselor - Bill Brown - Group 90853	35.00	70.00
3	Psychologist - Dr. Michelle McGrath - Individual 90818	100.00	300.00
20.25	Transportation	16.00	324.00
<b>Total</b>			<b>\$4,904.00</b>

**Abbot John Klassen's private account**

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**From:** Abbot John Klassen's private account  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 12, 2012 1:25 PM  
**To:** McDonald, Finian  
**Subject:** stuff...  
**Attachments:** ...family 9-7-12.docx

Hello Finian,

I did ask Prior Tom to appoint someone to handle your second and third class mail and he asked Isaac to take care of this – I did this immediately upon returning here in August. I also asked him at that time to systematize the sending of monthly funds to you. Given the tight nature of my schedule before I leave for Rome on Saturday, I want to respond to you immediately, so I haven't had a chance to talk to Isaac to see what the deal is.

We had Tom Brokaw here for the McCarthy lecture. The church was filled, with alternative sites at SBH and Pellegrine. He gave a good talk about overcoming the polarization within our public life.

I am not sure if you can print out attachments but I include the homily for . He actually went very quickly and peacefully at the end.

All best and peace, +John

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**From:** McDonald, Finian  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 11, 2012 6:07 PM  
**To:** Abbot John Klassen's private account  
**Subject:**

Abbot John...just a short very belated note. thanks much for the Breviary which you sent "some time ago"...time has a new meaning for me..lol Sorry about death but he deserved something better RIP I haven't read your sermon as yet.but I'm sure someone will send it to me...did you ever ask the Prior about sending on any mail I might have received..I certainly understand why he would want to screen out and check any bank and credit card envelopes but there must be some 1st and 2nd class mail from other parts of my life that would be interesting for me to see and read..I've asked a few people to ask him about this and he's gotten up set with them for asking...maybe he wouldn't do that to you...I would ask him but I've ruined enough of his days...thanks. Father Liam is certainly turning out to be a prince and support..he's so loved here...I'm getting to be a part of the community here and If I don't mind saying so...' a breath of fresh air'....lol thanks for everything..keep praying for me...I remember all of you in my prayers every day...it's getting easier but some days are better than others...You must be busy with the new school year et all ...remember....what my said..."heavy the head that wears the crown'...take care and say hello to Jeff A and Pat M when you see them...peace from finian

Michele McGrath, Ph.D.  
 Licensed Psychologist #01528  
 1550 Carman Valley Drive  
 Ballwin, MO 63021 (314) 227-0575

Insurance Copy - attach this statement to your Insurance Claim Form. Complete the personal information requested on the form. This statement contains all the information the doctor is required to supply. It is not necessary for this office to fill out the Insurance claim form.

Patient Name <i>Rev. Firmin the Donald, OSB</i>	Birthdate	Insured's Name
Insurance Company	Relationship to Insured	Insured's Address
Other Insurance	Group No.	Insured's I.D. Number
Diagnosis: Axis I: <i>799.9</i>	Axis II:	Illness connected to Employment

DESCRIPTION	CPT-4	FEE	NOTE FOR INSURANCE REPORT	FEE
Interpret/Explain Results	90887		Legal Consultation	
Preparation of Report	90889		Deposition	
Phone Consult with/about Patient	90831		Preparation for Deposition	
Conference with or about Patient	99156		Court Appearance	
Psychotherapy - Time Spent	90841		Preparation for Testimony	
Psychotherapy - 25-30 Minutes	90843		Travel for Appearance	
Psychotherapy - 45-50 Minutes	90818	X	Correspondence	
Group Psychotherapy	90853		Mediation	
Consultation	90804		Cremody Evaluation	
Diagnostic Interview	90801		Telephone Consultation	
Psycho-Educational Testing	95881		Research for Litigation	
Neuropsychological Testing	99159		Review for Records	
Cognitive Testing	95882		School Consultation	
Personality Testing	90830			
Unlisted Services	90899			

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I hereby authorize the undersigned doctor to release any information acquired in the course of my consultation or treatment. And I am financially responsible for non-covered services.

(Signature of responsible party)

I authorize payment of Electronic benefits to under-signed supplier of services described.

DATE	PROCEDURE	FEE	DATE	PROCEDURE	FEE
9/7/12	90818	100.			
9/10/12	90818	100.			
TOTAL FEES					\$200.

RETAIN FOR TAX INFORMATION  
 NO OTHER STATEMENT WILL  
 BE FURNISHED.

Psychologist Providing Service:

SOC. SEC. #

*Michele McGrath, Ph.D.* Date: *9/14/12*  
 Michele McGrath, Ph.D.





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ATTORNEY-CLIENT/WORK PRODUCT

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FROM

CEDAR HILL DRUG  
 7032 STATE RTE. BB  
 P.O. BOX 34  
 CEDAR HILL, MO 63016

636-274-3111

9/28/12	
	AMOUNT DUE
	\$2.60
	AMOUNT ENCLOSED

PLEASE SEND YOUR PAYMENT TO:

TO

MCDONALD, FINIAN R.\*\*(SOP)\*  
 c/o SERVANTS OF THE PARACLETE  
 P.O. BOX 539  
 6476 EIME RD/DEBRA ALCORN  
 CEDAR HILL, MO 63016

CEDAR HILL DRUG  
 7032 STATE RTE. BB  
 P.O. BOX 34  
 CEDAR HILL, MO 63016

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PAGE NO. 1 OF 1			CEDAR HILL DRUG		9/28/2012	
			MCDONALD, FINIAN R.**(SOP)*		BILLING DATE	ACCOUNT NO.
DATE	REFERENCE	TYPE	DESCRIPTION	CHARGES	PAYMENTS & CREDITS	
09/19	4058920	COP	OMEPRAZOLE CAP 20MG****	\$2.60		
<p>YTD TAX = \$0.00      YTD MED(w/tax) = \$2.60      YTD FIN = \$0.00          BALANCES OVER \$0.01 PAST 30 DAYS WILL BE CHARGED 1.83% INTEREST/MONTH          MINIMUM FINANCE CHARGE IS \$2.00</p>						
\$2.60	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2.60	\$0.00	\$2.60
CURRENT	31-60 DAYS	61-90 DAYS	91 DAYS & OVER	TOTAL CHARGES	TOTAL PAYMENTS & CREDITS	BALANCE



Contracted Services Statement

Date September 29, 2012  
 Name BROWN, William B.  
 Address 1031 Perouge Crossing Ct.  
Osfallon, Mo. 63366  
 Telephone Number 636-887-3655  
 Tax ID \_\_\_\_\_

Date	Name/Description	Charge
	FINIAN M&D	
9-19-12	(RPP. 90853	35.00
9-19-12	IND. (RPP Process) 90806	90.00
9-26-12	(RPP. 90853	35.00
9-26-12	IND, FINAL Process RPP 90887	90.00

Approved by \_\_\_\_\_ Total Charges 250.00



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 PO Box 539  
 Cedar Hill, MO 63016

# Invoice

Date	Invoice #
9/30/2012	13172

Received  
 OCT 11 2012  
 Office of the Abbot

Bill To
St. John's Abbey Abbot John Klassen Box 2015 Collegeville, MN 56321-2015

		Resident	Terms
		Finian McDonald	Net 30
Quantity	Description	Rate	Amount
30	Residence - In Patient Services	115.00	3,450.00
2	Psychologist- Dr. Rob Furey - Group 90853	40.00	80.00
2	Counselor- Bill Brown - Individual 90887	90.00	180.00
4	Counselor - Bill Brown - Group 90853	35.00	140.00
2	Psychologist - Dr. Michelle McGrath - Individual 90818	100.00	200.00
2	Psychologist - Dr. Michelle McGrath - Double Session- Individual 90818	200.00	400.00
7.25	Transportation	16.00	116.00
	Medicine	2.60	2.60
Please remit payment to above address. Questions please call Jill at 636-274-5226 x306.		<b>Total</b>	<b>\$4,568.60</b>

**Robert Furey, Ph.D.**  
 Licensed Professional Counselor #000174  
 204 Spencer Rd.  
 St. Louis, MO 63119  
 (314) 954-5939

Insurance Copy – attach this statement to your Insurance Claim Form. Complete the personal information requested on the form. This statement contains all the information the doctor is required to supply. It is not necessary for this office to fill out the Insurance claim form.					
Patient Name <i>McDonald, Furey</i>		Birthdate		Insured's Name	
Insurance Company		Relationship to Insured		Insured's Address	
Other Insurance		Group Number		Insured's ID Number	
Diagnosis				Illness Connected to Employment	
DESCRIPTION	CPT-4	FEE	(NOT FOR INSURANCE REPORT)	FEE	This form has been adopted to keep paper work costs down. If any additional forms or itemized bills are required, they will be forwarded upon receipt of \$16.00.  I hereby authorize the undersigned doctor to release any information required in the course of my examination or treatment. And I am financially responsible for non-covered services.  _____ Signature of Responsible Party  I authorize payment of Healthcare benefits to undersigned supplier of services described.
Interpret/Explain Results	90887		Legal Consultation		
Preparation of Report	90889		Deposition		
Phone Consult with or about Patient	90831		Preparation for Deposition		
Conference with or about Patient	99156		Court Appearance		
Psychotherapy – Time Spec.	90841		Preparation for Testimony		
Psychotherapy – 25-30 Minutes	90816		Travel for Aftercare		
Psychotherapy – 45-50 Minutes	90818		Correspondence		
Group Psychotherapy	90853		Meditation		
Diagnostic Interview	90801		Custody Evaluation		
Psychotherapy (45-60 minutes)	90808		Telephone Consultation		
Neuropsychological Testing	99199		Review of Records		
Cognitive Testing	95882		School Consultation		
Personality Testing	95882				
Psycho-Educational Testing	95881				
MULTIPLE VISITS:			MULTIPLE VISITS (CON'T):		
DATE	PROCEDURE	FEE	DATE	PROCEDURE	FEE
10-3-12	90853	40.00			
10-9-12	90853	40.00			
TOTAL FEES				80.00	
Psychotherapist Providing Services: Robert Furey, Ph.D.  TAX ID # - _____ <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: center;"> <div style="text-align: center;">             Robert Furey, Ph.D.         </div> <div style="text-align: center;">           10-11-12            Date         </div> </div>					

Michele McGrath, Ph.D.  
 Licensed Psychologist #01528  
 1550 Carman Valley Drive  
 Ballwin, MO 63021 (314) 227-0575

**Insurance Copy - attach this statement to your Insurance Claim Form. Complete the personal information requested on the form. This statement contains all the information the doctor is required to supply. It is not necessary for this office to fill out the Insurance claim form.**

Patient Name <i>Rev. Finian McDonald, D.S.B.</i>	Birthdate	Insured's Name
Insurance Company	Relationship to Insured	Insured's Address
Other Insurance	Group No.	Insured's I.D. Number
Diagnostic Axis I: <i>799.9</i>	Axis II	Process connected to Employment

DESCRIPTION	CPT-4	FEU	(NOT FOR INSURANCE REPORT)	FEF
Interpret/English Reason	90807		Legal Consultation	
Preparation of Report	90809		Deposition	
Phone Consult with client/Parent	90831		Preparation for Deposition	
Conferences with or about Patient	99156		Client Appearance	
Psychotherapy - 1 Hour Spt.	90841		Preparation for Testimony	
Psychotherapy - 25-30 Minutes	90843	X	Travel for Appearance	
Psychotherapy - 45-60 Minutes	90842	X	Conspicuous	
Group Psychotherapy	90853		Mediation	
Consultation	90804		Consultation	
Diagnostic Interview	90801		Telephone Consultation	
Psycho-Educational Testing	95881		Examined for Litigation	
Neuropsychological Testing	99159		Review for Examined	
Cognitive Testing	95882		Initial Consultation	
Personality Testing	90830			
Behavioral Services	90809			

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*I hereby authorize the undersigned doctor to release any information requested in the course of my consultation or treatment. And I am financially responsible for non-covered services.*

(Signature of responsible party)

*I authorize payment of Healthcare benefits as indicated on the reverse side of this statement.*

DATE	PROCEDURE	FEF	DATE	PROCEDURE	FEF
10/4/12	90818	200.			
10/11/12	90818	150.			
10/12/12	90843	50.			
<b>TOTAL FEES</b>					<b>\$ 400.</b>

RETAIN FOR TAX INFORMATION  
NO OTHER STATEMENT WILL BE FURNISHED.

Psychologist Providing Service:  
 SOC. SEC. #  
*Michele McGrath, Ph.D.* Date: *10/12/12*  
 Michele McGrath, Ph.D.

CONTRACTED SERVICES STATEMENT

DATE: 10/13/12  
 NAME: William B. BROWN  
 ADDRESS: 1031 Perouque Crossing Ct.  
O'Sallon, Mo. 63366  
 TELEPHONE NUMBER: 636-887-3655  
 TAX ID#: \_\_\_\_\_  
 HOURLY RATE: \_\_\_\_\_  
 PROGRAM FOR SERVICES RENDERED VRC

	FINIAN MCD.	
10/3/12	GRP. 90853	35.00
10/3/12	IND. 90806	90.00
10/10/12	GRP. 90853	35.00
10/10/12	IND. 90806	90.00

Approved By: \_\_\_\_\_ TOTAL CHARGES: \$ 250.00







FROM

CEDAR HILL DRUG  
7032 STATE RTE. BB  
P.O. BOX 34  
CEDAR HILL, MO 63016

636-274-3111

BILLING DATE	ACCOUNT NO.
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AMOUNT DUE	
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AMOUNT ENCLOSED	

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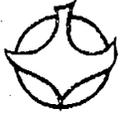
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MCDONALD, FINIAN R.\*\* (SOP)\*  
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6476 EIME RD/DEBRA ALCORN  
CEDAR HILL, MO 63016

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PAGE NO. 1 OF 1		CEDAR HILL DRUG		10/31/2012		ACCOUNT NO.
DATE	REFERENCE	TYPE	DESCRIPTION	CHARGES	PAYMENTS & CREDITS	
			BALANCE FORWARD	\$2.60		
10/04	RMS#112925	CHRG	SCHIFF MEGARED OMEGA-3 SFTG 60 UP	\$53.93		
			SALES TAX	\$3.69		
10/09	PAYMENT...	PAY	Check			\$2.60
10/12	4060527	COP	CYMBALTA CAP 60MG*****	\$6.50		
10/20	4061025	COP	LISINOPRIL TAB 2.5MG	\$2.60		
10/20	4058920	COP	OMEPRAZOLE CAP 20MG****	\$2.60		
10/22	4061089	COP	METOPROLOL TAB 25MG****	\$2.60		
YTD TAX = \$3.69      YTD MED(w/tax) = \$16.90      YTD FIN = \$0.00 BALANCES OVER \$0.01 PAST 30 DAYS WILL BE CHARGED 1.83% INTEREST/MONTH MINIMUM FINANCE CHARGE IS \$2.00						
\$71.92	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$71.92	\$2.60	\$71.92
CURRENT	31-60 DAYS	61-90 DAYS	91 DAYS & OVER	TOTAL CHARGES	TOTAL PAYMENTS & CREDITS	BALANCE



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# Invoice

Date	Invoice #
10/31/2012	13214

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Office of the Abbot

Bill To
St. John's Abbey Abbot John Klassen Box 2015 Collegeville, MN 56321-2015

		Resident	Terms
		Finian McDonald	Net 30
Quantity	Description	Rate	Amount
31	Residence - In Patient Services	115.00	3,565.00
4	Psychologist- Dr. Rob Furey - Group 90853	40.00	160.00
3	Counselor- Bill Brown - Individual 90887	90.00	270.00
4	Counselor - Bill Brown - Group 90853	35.00	140.00
1	Psychologist - Dr. Michelle McGrath - Individual 90818	50.00	50.00
3	Psychologist - Dr. Michelle McGrath - Double Session- Individual 90818	200.00	600.00
1	Psychologist - Dr. Michelle McGrath - Individual 90818- Double Session	150.00	150.00
19.25	Transportation	16.00	308.00
	Medicine	71.92	71.92
Please remit payment to above address. Questions please call Jill at 636-274-5226 x306.		<b>Total</b>	<b>\$5,314.92</b>













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CEDAR HILL DRUG  
7032 STATE RTE. BB  
P.O. BOX 34  
CEDAR HILL, MO 63016

636-274-3111

BILLING DATE	ACCOUNT NO.
11/30/12	1
AMOUNT DUE	
\$83.89	
AMOUNT ENCLOSED	

PLEASE SEND YOUR PAYMENT TO:

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MCDONALD, FINIAN R. \*\* (SOP) \*  
c/o SERVANTS OF THE PARACLETE  
P.O. BOX 539  
6476 EIME RD/DEBRA ALCORN  
CEDAR HILL, MO 63016

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		MCDONALD, FINIAN R. ** (SOP) *		BILLING DATE		ACCOUNT NO.	
DATE	REFERENCE	TYPE	DESCRIPTION	CHARGES	PAYMENTS & CREDITS		
			BALANCE FORWARD	\$71.92			
11/05	4061917	COP	METFORMIN TAB 500MG***	\$2.60			
11/14	PAYMENT....	PAY	Check			\$71.92	
11/19	RMS#116775	CHRG	VIT D TAB 1000IU MMP 100 UPC: 309	\$2.69			
			SALES TAX	\$0.18			
11/19	RMS#116774	CHRG	SCHIFF MEGARED OMEGA-3 SFTG 60 UP	\$53.93			
			SALES TAX	\$3.69			
11/19	4062881	COP	LISINOPRIL TAB 5MG	\$2.60			
11/19	4060527	COP	CYMBALTA CAP 60MG*****	\$6.50			
11/19	4058920	COP	OMEPRAZOLE CAP 20MG****	\$2.60			
11/27	RMS#117371	CHRG	SM GLUCOSE TAB SOUR APPLE 50 UPC:	\$6.19			
			SALES TAX	\$0.42			
11/27	RMS#117370	CHRG	RICOLA CGH/DRP ORIG BAG21 UPC: 03	\$2.33			
			SALES TAX	\$0.16			
YTD TAX = \$8.14				YTD MED(w/tax) = \$31.20	YTD FIN = \$0.00		
BALANCES OVER \$0.01 PAST 30 DAYS WILL BE CHARGED 1.83% INTEREST/MONTH							
MINIMUM FINANCE CHARGE IS \$2.00							
\$83.89	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$83.89	\$71.92	\$83.89	
CURRENT	31-60 DAYS	61-90 DAYS	91 DAYS & OVER	TOTAL CHARGES	TOTAL PAYMENTS & CREDITS	BALANCE	



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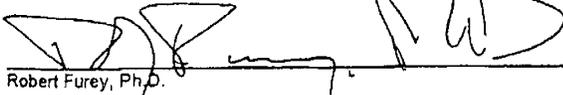
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Date	Invoice #
11/30/2012	13265

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St. John's Abbey Abbot John Klassen Box 2015 Collegeville, MN 56321-2015

		Resident	Terms
		Finian McDonald	Net 30
Quantity	Description	Rate	Amount
30	Residence - In Patient Services	115.00	3,450.00
4	Psychologist- Dr. Rob Furey - Group 90853	40.00	160.00
1	Counselor- Bill Brown - Individual 90887	90.00	90.00
4	Counselor - Bill Brown - Group 90853	35.00	140.00
3	Psychologist - Dr. Michelle McGrath - Double Session- Individual 90818	200.00	600.00
1	Psychologist - Dr. Michelle McGrath - Individual 90818	100.00	100.00
3.75	Transportation	16.00	60.00
	Medicine	83.89	83.89
Please remit payment to above address. Questions please call Jill at 636-274-5226 x306.		<b>Total</b>	<b>\$4,683.89</b>

**Robert Furey, Ph.D.**  
 Licensed Professional Counselor #000174  
 204 Spencer Rd.  
 St. Louis, MO 63119  
 (314) 954-5939

Insurance Copy – attach this statement to your Insurance Claim Form. Complete the personal information requested on the form. This statement contains all the information the doctor is required to supply. It is not necessary for this office to fill out the insurance claim form.					
Patient Name <i>McDonald, Finian</i>		Birthdate		Insured's Name	
Insurance Company		Relationship to Insured		Insured's Address	
Other Insurance		Group Number		Insured's ID Number	
Diagnosis				Illness Connected to Employment	
DESCRIPTION	CPT-4	FEE	(NOT FOR INSURANCE REPORT)	FEE	
Interpret/Explain Results	90887		Legal Consultation		This form has been adopted to keep paper work costs down. If any additional forms or itemized bills are required, they will be forwarded upon receipt of \$15.00  I hereby authorize the undersigned doctor to release any information required in the course of my examination or treatment. And I am financially responsible for non-covered services.  Signature of Responsible Party _____  I authorize payment of Healthcare benefits to undersigned supplier of services described.
Preparation of Report	90889		Deposition		
Phone Consult with or about Patient	90831		Preparation for Deposition		
Conference with or about Patient	99156		Court Appearance		
Psychotherapy – Time Spec.	90841		Preparation for Testimony		
Psychotherapy – 25-30 Minutes	90816		Travel for Aftercare		
Psychotherapy – 45-50 Minutes	90818		Correspondence		
Group Psychotherapy	90853		Meditation		
Diagnostic Interview	90801		Custody Evaluation		
Psychotherapy (45-50 minutes)	90806		Telephone Consultation		
Neuropsychological Testing	99199		Review of Records		
Cognitive Testing	95882		School Consultation		
Personality Testing	95882				
Psycho-Educational Testing	95881				
MULTIPLE VISITS:			MULTIPLE VISITS (CON'T):		
DATE	PROCEDURE	FEE	DATE	PROCEDURE	FEE
11-27-12	90853	40.00			
12-4-12	90853	40.00			
TOTAL FEES				80.00	
Psychotherapist Providing Services: Robert Furey, Ph.D.  TAX ID # _____ <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: center;"> <div style="text-align: center;">             Robert Furey, Ph.D.         </div> <div style="text-align: center;">           12-6-12            Date         </div> </div>					





**Abbot John Klassen's private account**

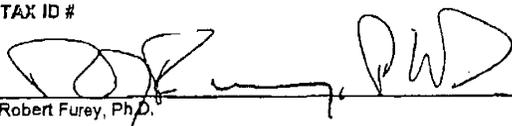
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**From:** Andert, Tom  
**Sent:** Monday, December 10, 2012 10:55 AM  
**To:** Abbot John Klassen's private account; Licari, Jonathan; Senna, Aelred; Leuthner, Benedict  
**Cc:** Andert, Tom  
**Subject:** Finian's finances....

Just confirmed with Br. Isaiah that Finian receives a monthly check of \$100 from us, plus we pay his credit card bill. We have no way of monitoring that credit card, so this is a trust issue which has basically worked out well so far. We have cancelled several of his other credit cards, so I think he only has one functioning.

Thanks,  
Tom

**Robert Furey, Ph.D.**  
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 204 Spencer Rd.  
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Insurance Copy – attach this statement to your Insurance Claim Form. Complete the personal information requested on the form. This statement contains all the information the doctor is required to supply. It is not necessary for this office to fill out the insurance claim form.					
Patient Name <i>McDonald, Finian</i>		Birthdate		Insured's Name	
Insurance Company		Relationship to Insured		Insured's Address	
Other Insurance		Group Number		Insured's ID Number	
Diagnosis				Illness Connected to Employment	
DESCRIPTION	CPT-4	FEE	(NOT FOR INSURANCE REPORT)	FEE	
Interpret/Explain Results	90887		Legal Consultation		<p>This form has been adopted to keep paper work costs down. If any additional forms or itemized bills are required, they will be forwarded upon receipt of \$15.00</p> <p>I hereby authorize the undersigned doctor to release any information required in the course of my examination or treatment. And I am financially responsible for non-covered services.</p> <p>Signature of Responsible Party</p> <p>I authorize payment of Healthcare benefits to undersigned supplier of services described.</p>
Preparation of Report	90889		Deposition		
Phone Consult with or about Patient	90831		Preparation for Deposition		
Conference with or about Patient	99166		Court Appearance		
Psychotherapy – Time Spec.	90841		Preparation for Testimony		
Psychotherapy – 25-30 Minutes	90816		Travel for Aftercare		
Psychotherapy – 45-50 Minutes	90818		Correspondence		
Group Psychotherapy	90853		Meditation		
Diagnostic Interview	90801		Custody Evaluation		
Psychotherapy (45-50 minutes)	90806		Telephone Consultation		
Neuropsychological Testing	99199		Review of Records		
Cognitive Testing	95882		School Consultation		
Personality Testing	95882				
Psycho-Educational Testing	95881				
<b>MULTIPLE VISITS:</b>			<b>MULTIPLE VISITS (CON'T):</b>		
DATE	PROCEDURE	FEE	DATE	PROCEDURE	FEE
12-11-12	90853	40.00			
12-18-12	90853	40.00			
<b>TOTAL FEES</b>				<b>80.00</b>	
Psychotherapist Providing Services: Robert Furey, Ph.D.  TAX ID # <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: center;"> <div style="text-align: center;">             Robert Furey, Ph.D.         </div> <div style="text-align: center;">           12-20-12            Date         </div> </div>					

Contracted Services Statement

Date 12/22/12  
 Name BROWN, WILLIAM  
 Address 1031 Perdue Crossing Ct.  
O'Fallon, Mo. 63366  
 Telephone Number 636-887-3655  
 Tax ID \_\_\_\_\_

Date	Name/ Description	Charge
	FINIAN MSD.	
12/18/12	IND. 90806	90.00
12/12/12	WRP. 90853	35.00
12/19/12	IND (including final revision + print Safety Plan w/ copies - Post his Attorney review + changes → 90806	90.00
12/19/12	WRP. 90853	35.00

Approved by \_\_\_\_\_ Total Charges 250.00

FROM  
 CEDAR HILL DRUG  
 7032 STATE RTE. BB  
 P.O. BOX 34  
 CEDAR HILL, MO 63016

636-274-3111

BILLING DATE	ACCOUNT NO.
12/31/12	1
AMOUNT DUE	
\$9.10	
AMOUNT ENCLOSED	

PLEASE SEND YOUR PAYMENT TO:

TO  
 MCDONALD, FINIAN R. \*\* (SOP) \*  
 c/o SERVANTS OF THE PARACLETE  
 P.O. BOX 539  
 6476 EIME RD/DEBRA ALCORN  
 CEDAR HILL, MO 63016

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PAGE NO. 1 OF 1		CEDAR HILL DRUG		12/31/2012			
		MCDONALD, FINIAN R. ** (SOP) *		BILLING DATE		ACCOUNT NO.	
DATE	REFERENCE	TYPE	DESCRIPTION	CHARGES	PAYMENTS & CREDITS		
BALANCE FORWARD				\$83.89			
12/07	4064124	COP	METFORMIN TAB 500MG***	\$2.60			
12/10	PAYMENT....	PAY	Check		\$83.89		
12/21	4065102	COP	CYMBALTA CAP 60MG*****	\$6.50			
YTD TAX = \$8.14				YTD MED(w/tax) = \$40.30	YTD FIN = \$0.00		
BALANCES OVER \$0.01 PAST 30 DAYS WILL BE CHARGED 1.83% INTEREST/MONTH							
MINIMUM FINANCE CHARGE IS \$2.00							
\$9.10	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$9.10	\$83.89	\$9.10	
CURRENT	61-60 DAYS	61-90 DAYS	91 DAYS & OVER	TOTAL CHARGES	TOTAL PAYMENTS & CREDITS	BALANCE	



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PO Box 539  
Cedar Hill, MO 63016

# Invoice

Date	Invoice #
12/31/2012	13313

Bill To
St. John's Abbey Abbot John Klassen Box 2015 Collegeville, MN 56321-2015

		Resident	Terms
Quantity	Description	Rate	Amount
31	Residence - In Patient Services	115.00	3,565.00
4	Psychologist- Dr. Rob Furey - Group 90853	40.00	160.00
2	Counselor- Bill Brown - Individual 90806	90.00	180.00
4	Counselor - Bill Brown - Group 90853	35.00	140.00
3	Psychologist - Dr. Michelle McGrath - Individual 90818	100.00	300.00
13	Transportation	16.00	208.00
	Medicine	9.10	9.10
<i>Please remit payment to above address. Questions please call Jill at 636-274-5226 x306.</i>		<b>Total</b>	<b>\$4,562.10</b>





**Robert Furey, Ph.D.**  
 Licensed Professional Counselor #000174  
 204 Spencer Road  
 St. Louis, MO 63119  
 (314) 954-5939

insurance Copy - attach this statement to your Insurance Claim Form. Complete the personal information requested on the form. This statement contains all the information the doctor is required to supply. It is not necessary for this office to fill out the insurance claim form.

Patient Name <i>Mr. Donald, Finian</i>	Birthdate	Insured's Name
Insurance Company	Relationship to Insured	Insured's Address
Other Insurance	Group Number	Insured's ID Number
Diagnosis		Illness Connected to Employment

DESCRIPTION	CPT-4	FEE	(NOT FOR INSURANCE REPORT)	FEE
Interpret/Explain Results	90887		Legal Consultation	
Preparation of Report	90888		Deposition	
Phone Consult with or about Patient	99443		Preparation for Deposition	
Conference with or about Patient	99158		Court Appearance	
Psychotherapy 30 Minutes	90832		Preparation for Testimony	
Psychotherapy - 50 Minutes	90834		Travel for Aftercare	
Psychotherapy - 60 plus Minutes	90837		Correspondence	
Group Psychotherapy	90853		Meditation	
Diagnostic Interview	90801		Custody Evaluation	
Family w/o patient	90846		Telephone Consultation	
Family Therapy	90847		Review of Records	
Missed Session Charge	ZZZZ		School Consultation	
Misc.	90899			

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I hereby authorize the undersigned doctor to release any information required in the course of my examination or treatment. And I am financially responsible for non-covered services.

Signature of Responsible Party  
 I authorize payment of Healthcare benefits to undersigned supplier of services described.

MULTIPLE VISITS:			MULTIPLE VISITS (CON'T):		
DATE	PROCEDURE	FEE	DATE	PROCEDURE	FEE
1-8-13	90853	40.00			
1-15-13	90853	40.00			
1-17-13	90834	125.00			

RETAIN FOR TAX INFORMATION. NO OTHER STATEMENT WILL BE FURNISHED.

TOTAL FEES      **205.00**

Psychotherapist Providing Services: Robert Furey, Ph.D.

TAX ID # - 20-2626590

*[Signature]*      *[Signature]*  
 Robert Furey, Ph.D.      Date: 1-17-13

*Junia*



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CEDAR HILL, MO 63016

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BILLING DATE	ACCOUNT NO.
1/31/13	
AMOUNT DUE	
\$19.85	
AMOUNT ENCLOSURE	

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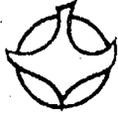
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CEDAR HILL, MO 63016

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PAGE NO. 1 OF 1		CEDAR HILL DRUG		1/31/2013			
		MCDONALD, FINIAN R. ** (SOP) *		BILLING DATE		ACCOUNT NO.	
DATE	REFERENCE	TYPE	DESCRIPTION	CHARGES	PAYMENTS & CREDITS		
			BALANCE FORWARD	\$9.10			
01/02	4058920	COP	OMEPRAZOLE CAP 20MG****	\$2.65			
01/02	4064124	COP	METFORMIN TAB 500MG***	\$2.65			
01/08	PAYMENT....	PAY	Check		\$9.10		
01/15	4066552	COP	METOPROLOL TAB 25MG****	\$2.65			
01/18	4066870	COP	CYMBALTA CAP 60MG*****	\$6.60			
01/29	4058920	COP	OMEPRAZOLE CAP 20MG****	\$2.65			
01/29	4064124	COP	METFORMIN TAB 500MG***	\$2.65			
YTD TAX = \$0.00				YTD MED(w/tax) = \$19.85	YTD FIN = \$0.00		
BALANCES OVER \$0.01 PAST 30 DAYS WILL BE CHARGED 1.83% INTEREST/MONTH							
MINIMUM FINANCE CHARGE IS \$2.00							
\$19.85	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$19.85	\$9.10	\$19.85	
CURRENT	30 DAYS	31-90 DAYS	91 DAYS OVER	TOTAL CHARGES	TOTAL PAYMENTS & CREDITS	BALANCE	





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Invoice

Date	Invoice #
1/31/2013	13352

Bill To
St. John's Abbey Abbot John Klassen Box 2015 Collegeville, MN 56321-2015

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		Resident	Terms
		Finian McDonald	Net 30
Quantity	Description	Rate	Amount
31	Residence - In Patient Services	115.00	3,565.00
3	Psychologist- Dr. Rob Furey - Group 90853	40.00	120.00
2	Psychologist - Dr. Rob Furey-Individual 90818	125.00	250.00
1	Psychologist - Dr. Michelle McGrath - Individual 90818	100.00	100.00
	OTC medication	39.54	39.54
	Medicine	19.85	19.85
21.25	Transportation	16.00	340.00
	Cable	20.00	20.00
<i>Please remit payment to above address. Questions please call Jill at 636-274-5226 x306.</i>		<b>Total</b>	<b>\$4,454.39</b>



Saint John's  
Abbey

Business and Human Resources Offices  
P.O. Box 2400, Quadrangle 120  
Collegeville, Minnesota 56321-2222

For  
Kilian  
Medicare D  
Drug Plan  
Info.



PO Box 14088  
Lexington, KY 40512-4088

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February 25, 2013

FINIAN R. MCDONALD  
ABBEY BUSINESS OFFICE  
2900 ABBEY PLAZA PO BOX 2400  
COLLEGEVILLE MN 56321

Dear Finian R. McDonald:

We have recently received information that your address may have changed and that you may not live inside the service area of AETNA CVS/PHARMACY PRESCRIPTION DRUG PLAN (PDP). **If you don't contact us to verify your address, you will be disenrolled from AETNA CVS/PHARMACY PRESCRIPTION DRUG PLAN (PDP) effective 03/01/2014.**

It is important that you contact us to verify your permanent address. You may use this form and return it to us in the enclosed envelope or you may call our Member Services department at 1-866-729-9570 Monday through Sunday 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. local time. TTY users should call 711.

Please note that your permanent address must be inside our service area in order for you to be a member of AETNA CVS/PHARMACY PRESCRIPTION DRUG PLAN (PDP). You may request that we send mail to you at another address outside of our service area. You may also temporarily reside for up to 12 months outside our service area and remain a member of AETNA CVS/PHARMACY PRESCRIPTION DRUG PLAN (PDP). But if you permanently move outside our service area or if you temporarily live outside our service area for more than 12 months in a row, we must disenroll you from AETNA CVS/PHARMACY PRESCRIPTION DRUG PLAN (PDP). You will have an opportunity to enroll in a plan that serves the area where you now live.

**Your Permanent Address**

Please tell us the permanent address where you live. Don't use a post office box.

Street: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

County: \_\_\_\_\_

When did you move to this address? \_\_\_\_\_

Current Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Member's Signature\*: \_\_\_\_\_

\*If this is being submitted by a guardian or durable power of attorney, please include a copy of the document confirming guardianship.



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Address

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Michele McGrath, Ph.D.  
 Licensed Psychologist #01528  
 1550 Carman Valley Drive  
 Ballwin, MO 63021 (314) 227-0575

Insurance Copy - attach this statement to your Insurance Claim Form. Complete the personal information requested on the form. This statement contains all the information the doctor is required to supply. It is not necessary for this office to fill out the insurance claim form.

Patient Name <i>Rev. Finian Mc Donald, OSB</i>	Birthdate	Insured's Name
Insurance Company	Relationship to Insured	Insured's Address
Other Insurance	Group No.	Insured's I.D. Number
Diagnostic: Axis I: <i>799.9</i>	Axis II:	Illness connected to Employment

DESCRIPTION	CPT-4	FEER	(NOT FOR INSURANCE REPORT)	FEER
Interpret/Explain Results	90867		Legal Consultation	
Preparation of Report	90889		Deposition	
Phone Consult w/in about Patient	90831		Preparation for Deposition	
Conference with or about Patient	99156		Court Appearance	
Psychotherapy - Time Spec.	90844		Preparation for Testimony	
Psychotherapy - 25-30 Minutes	90843		Travel for Appearance	
Psychotherapy - 45-60 Minutes	90818	X	Correspondence	
Group Psychotherapy	90853		Mediation	
Consultation	90804		Custody Evaluation	
Diagnostic Interview	90801		Telephone Consultation	
Psycho-Educational Testing	90881		Research for Litigation	
Neuropsychological Testing	99199		Review for Records	
Cognitive Testing	90882		School Consultation	
Personality Testing	90830			
Unlisted Services	90899			

This form has been adapted to keep paper work costs down. If any additional forms or itemized bills are required, they will be forwarded upon receipt of \$15.00.

I hereby authorize the undersigned doctor to release any information required in the course of my examination or treatment. And I am financially responsible for non-covered services.

(Signature of responsible party)

I authorize payment of Medicare benefits to under-signed supplier of services described.

DATE	PROCEDURE	FEER	DATE	PROCEDURE	FEER
2/21/13	90818	100.			
2/28/13	90818	100.			
TOTAL FEES					\$200.

RETAIN FOR TAX INFORMATION  
 NO OTHER STATEMENT WILL  
 BE FURNISHED.

Psychologist Providing Service:  
 SOC. SEC.  
Michele McGrath, Ph.D. Date: 2/28/13  
 Michele McGrath, Ph.D.



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# Invoice

Date	Invoice #
2/28/2013	13400

<b>Bill To</b>
St. John's Abbey Abbot John Klassen Box 2015 Collegeville, MN 56321-2015

RECEIVED

MAR 11 2013

		Resident	Terms
		Finian McDonald	Net 30
Quantity	Description	Rate	Amount
28	Residence - In Patient Services	115.00	3,220.00
4	Psychologist- Dr. Rob Furey - Group 90853	40.00	160.00
4	Psychologist - Dr. Michelle McGrath - Individual 90818	100.00	400.00
1	Counselor - Thomas Michler - 90853 Group	35.00	35.00
	Medicine	162.91	162.91
15.25	Transportation	16.00	244.00
	Cable	20.00	20.00
Please remit payment to above address. Questions please call Jill at 636-274-5226 x306.		<b>Total</b>	<b>\$4,241.91</b>









**Abbot John Klassen's private account**

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**From:** McDonald, Finian  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 19, 2013 3:40 PM  
**To:** Crawford, Richard; Leuthner, Benedict; Abbot John Klassen's private account  
**Subject:** Monthly increase for Finian.

Richard: During Abbot John's recent visit, he approved my request for a 50 dollar monthly increase for my stay at Dittmer, Mo. Starting this month please send \$150. This was discussed and approved by the staff when Abbot John was here. For the Abbot's information, Dr Michele and I discussed the details of this in our weekly discussion during our last session. Thanks, Richard... don't work too hard on the play...there's another one in the wings...peace..finian

*Finian  
McDonald*



FROM

CEDAR HILL DRUG  
 7032 STATE RTE. BB  
 P.O. BOX 34  
 CEDAR HILL, MO 63016

636-274-3111

BILLING DATE	ACCOUNT NO.
3/31/13	
AMOUNT DUE	
\$14.55	
AMOUNT ENCLOSED	

PLEASE SEND YOUR PAYMENT TO:

TO

MCDONALD, FINIAN R.\*\*(SOP)\*  
 c/o SERVANTS OF THE PARACLETE  
 P.O. BOX 539  
 6476 EIME RD/DEBRA ALCORN  
 CEDAR HILL, MO 63016

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 CEDAR HILL, MO 63016

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PAGE NO. 1 OF 1		CEDAR HILL DRUG MCDONALD, FINIAN R.**(SOP)*		3/31/2013	
DATE	REFERENCE	TYPE	DESCRIPTION	CHARGES	PAYMENTS & CREDITS
			BALANCE FORWARD	\$162.91	
03/04	4062881	COP	LISINOPRIL TAB 5MG	\$2.65	
03/04	4058920	COP	OMEPRAZOLE CAP 20MG****	\$2.65	
03/04	4064124	COP	METFORMIN TAB 500MG***	\$2.65	
03/12	PAYMENT....	PAY	Check		\$162.91
03/18	4070870	COP	CYMBALTA CAP 60MG*****	\$6.60	
<p>YTD TAX = \$0.00      YTD MED(w/tax) = \$197.31      YTD FIN = \$0.00          BALANCES OVER \$0.01 PAST 30 DAYS WILL BE CHARGED 1.83% INTEREST/MONTH          MINIMUM FINANCE CHARGE IS \$2.00</p>					
\$14.55	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$14.55	\$162.91
CURRENT	31-60 DAYS	61-90 DAYS	90 DAYS & OVER	TOTAL CHARGES	TOTAL PAYMENTS & CREDITS
					\$14.55



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# Invoice

Date	Invoice #
3/31/2013	13443

Bill To
St. John's Abbey Abbot John Klassen Box 2015 Collegeville, MN 56321-2015

		Resident	Terms
		Finian McDonald	Net 30
Quantity	Description	Rate	Amount
31	Residence - In Patient Services	115.00	3,565.00
3	Psychologist- Dr. Rob Furey - Group 90853	40.00	120.00
1	Psychologist - Dr. Rob Furey-Individual 90818	125.00	125.00
4	Psychologist - Dr. Michelle McGrath - Individual 90818	100.00	400.00
1	Psychologist - Dr. Michelle McGrath - Individual 90156	100.00	100.00
4	Counselor - Thomas Michler - 90853 Group	35.00	140.00
	Medicine	14.55	14.55
8	Transportation	16.00	128.00
	Cable	20.00	20.00
<i>Please remit payment to above address. Questions please call Jill at 636-274-5226 x306.</i>		<b>Total</b>	<b>\$4,612.55</b>



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# Invoice

Date	Invoice #
4/30/2013	13491

<b>Bill To</b>
St. John's Abbey Abbot John Klassen Box 2015 Collegeville, MN 56321-2015

Resident	Terms
Finian McDonald	Net 30

Quantity	Description	Rate	Amount
30	Residence - In Patient Services	115.00	3,450.00
2	Psychologist- Dr. Rob Furey - Group 90853	40.00	80.00
4	Psychologist - Dr. Michelle McGrath - Individual 90818	100.00	400.00
4	Counselor - Thomas Michler - 90853 Group	35.00	140.00
	Medicine	96.56	96.56
9.5	Transportation	16.00	152.00
	Cable	20.00	20.00
Please remit payment to above address. Questions please call Jill at 636-274-5226 x306.		<b>Total</b>	<b>\$4,338.56</b>



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# Invoice

Date	Invoice #
5/31/2013	13537

Bill To
St. John's Abbey Abbot John Klassen Box 2015 Collegeville, MN 56321-2015

		Resident	Terms
Quantity	Description	Rate	Amount
31	Residence - In Patient Services	115.00	3,565.00
4	Psychologist- Dr. Rob Furey - Group 90853	40.00	160.00
4	Psychologist - Dr. Michelle McGrath - Individual 90818	100.00	400.00
3	Counselor - Thomas Michler - 90853 Group	35.00	105.00
	Medicine	34.07	34.07
14.5	Transportation	16.00	232.00
	Cable	20.00	20.00
<i>Please remit payment to above address. Questions please call Jill at 636-274-5226 x306.</i>		<b>Total</b>	<b>\$4,516.07</b>

**A POEM**

By Finian McDonald OSB

**I sense the presence of God.**

**My naked skin feels the holy wind of His  
gentle touch.**

**I am struck dumb with the awesomeness of  
this encounter.**

**God is truly here—not over there.**

*Inspired after a meditation outside the Vianney Center (July 2013)*



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(3)

July 30, 2013

Reverend Liam Hoare, s.P.  
Servants of the Paraclete  
6476 Eime Rd.  
Dittmer, MO 63023

Dear Father Liam,

I wish to thank you for the gracious and kind welcome you showed me during my pastoral visit to the Vianney Renewal Center and to your community, The Servants of the Paraclete.

I must be honest and say I was at first intimidated at the prospect of celebrating Holy Mass with priests who have suffered so much, not just from various addictions or issues, but from ill-treatment at the hands of their Superior or Ordinary. I was struck however, by the humility of the priests and religious I encountered.

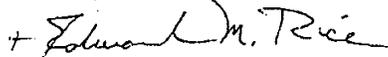
So many went out of their way to welcome me or thank me for coming to be with them. So many expressed genuine gratitude and heartfelt appreciation that I had taken time to visit. In the end, I do believe that I gained more from the visit than any of them gained by my presence among them. And your words, at the end of Mass, were simply touching!

The work and charism of the Servants of the Paraclete is so important to the Church today. The Archdiocese of Saint Louis is grateful for your presence. The work of your congregation proclaims the age old belief, "Tu es sacerdos in aeternum." Because of that belief, all priests should be treated with dignity, regardless of their situation. Your Founder, Fr. Fitzgerald, would be so pleased to see the work accomplished at The Vianney Renewal Center today.

Be assured of my care and concern for you personally and for the community. If I can ever assist you, please do not hesitate to contact me. I include my card for your convenience. It contains all of my contact information.

With the assurance of my prayers, I am,

Sincerely in Christ,



Most Reverend Edward M. Rice  
Auxiliary Bishop of Saint Louis

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Servants of the Paraclete -

# Invoice

Date	Invoice #
7/31/2013	13620

<b>Bill To</b>
St. John's Abbey Abbot John Klassen Box 2015 Collegeville, MN 56321-2015

Resident	Terms
Finian McDonald	Net 30

Quantity	Description	Rate	Amount
31	Residence - In Patient Services	120.00	3,720.00
4	Psychologist- Dr. Rob Furey - Group 90853	40.00	160.00
6	Psychologist - Dr. Michelle McGrath - Individual 90818	100.00	600.00
3	Counselor - Thomas Michler - 90853 Group	35.00	105.00
	Medicine	48.78	48.78
25.75	Transportation	16.00	412.00
	Cable	20.00	20.00
<i>Please remit payment to above address. Questions please call Jill at 636-274-5226 x306.</i>		<b>Total</b>	<b>\$5,065.78</b>

FAX

To - Abbot John Klassen

Abbot John -

Intw  
1-2-3

Page one and two pertain  
to the request to take part in  
the New Mexico pilgrimage  
on Oct 19<sup>th</sup>

Page three is the copy of a letter  
from the Aux of St. Louis after  
his visit ———

more later - phone and/or  
e mail -  
~~my~~ feel free to call Fr. Liam  
and/or Father General David -  
Fr. Liam

# memo

①

To: All Residents  
From: Warren *WA*  
Date: July 17, 2013  
Re: TRIP TO JEMEZ SPRINGS, NM

At our community meeting on Monday, July 15, Fr. David Fitzgerald announced a plan whereby residents of Vianney Renewal Center could travel to the Paraclete campus at Jemez Springs for a period of time for R and R. Day trips to nearby places of interest would also be included. Fr. David would accompany the group by car from Vianney and back, acting as the supervisor or "prudent companion." He would also accompany the group on day trips from Jemez Springs. Fr. David has asked me to coordinate the trips.

Fr. Rich Brown told me yesterday that Fr. David indicated to him that the first trip will be from October 19 through 30. These dates include travel - two days to Jemez Springs and two days back.

Here are the requirements for anyone wanting to go. These requirements may need to be tweaked as we go along:

1. Permission from one's therapist or from Bob Furey, as clinical director, if one has no therapist.
2. A safety plan may be needed; this has not yet been determined.
3. Permission from one's diocesan or religious superior.
4. If one is under any kind of civil court restriction, permission must be obtained from the Jefferson County, Missouri, jurisdiction.
5. Each one will be expected to pay his own expenses. I've done some research on the Internet and based on what I have discovered, I am suggesting as ballpark figures -

\$150.00 each person for gas; this assumes three person are traveling with Fr. David and would include the trip out and back as well as daytrips from Jemez Springs. Gas expense would be divided three ways.

\$80.00 each person for lodging; \$40.00 per night, double occupancy.

\$25.00 per day for food for each person; this assumes fast-food and cafeteria-style meals.

Additional spending money.

David has indicated that if one or the other resident wishes to go to Jemez Springs but is financially unable to bear the cost, financial help is possible. Contact him at

One wishing to go on the October 19 - 30 trip to Jemez Springs please let me know right away, even though the permissions have not yet been acquired.

PERMISSION FORM

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The servants of the Paraclete are sponsoring a series of trips for residents of Vianney Renewal Center, Dittmer, MO, to the Paraclete Headquarters in Jemez Springs, NM. The purpose of the trips is rest and relaxation. Some day trips will be taken from Jemez Springs.

The trip will be supervised by Fr. David Fitzgerald, s.P., Servant General. He will accompany the residents at all times. There will be a maximum of three residents traveling with Fr. David per trip. These trips have the blessing of Archbishop Michael J. Sheehan of Santé Fe.

The first trip is scheduled for October 19 through October 30, including travel time. The trip will be by automobile, with one overnight stay each way.

A ballpark estimate of the cost of the trip is \$530.00 per person. This includes fuel, lodging and food. Spending money is extra. Each person is expected to pay his own expenses unless other arrangements are made with Fr. David.

Provided the necessary permissions are given, I would like to go on this trip.

Yvonne Mc Donald  
Resident

Aug 9, 2013  
Date

Note to Therapist/Clinical Director: If a Safety Plan is indicated, please attach a copy to this form.

Michelle McGrath, Ph.D.  
Therapist or Clinical Director

8/9/13  
Date

Abbot John Klarsen, OSB  
Representative of the Diocese or Religious Community

August 20, 2013  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Very Rev. David Fitzgerald, s.P.  
Servant General

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date:

All signatories will receive a copy of this form after all signatures have been acquired.

**Abbot John Klassen's private account**

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**From:** McDonald, Finian  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 29, 2013 9:48 AM  
**To:** Crawford, Richard  
**Cc:** Abbot John Klassen's private account

Hi....Just to bring you up to date...my check for September (soon to be sent) should be \$150...and the check for October should be \$400...this includes my allocation for the New Mexico trip with the Paraclete"s. ...Oct 19th to the 30th...(the expected amount for the trip is \$550 ...so I subtracted the 150...if problems please see the Abbot Thanks finian



Servants of the Paraclete -

# Invoice

Date	Invoice #
8/31/2013	13669

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St. John's Abbey Abbot John Klassen Box 2015 Collegeville, MN 56321-2015

Resident	Terms
Finian McDonald	Net 30

Quantity	Description	Rate	Amount
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4	Psychologist- Dr. Rob Furey - Group 90853	40.00	160.00
4	Psychologist - Dr. Michelle McGrath - Individual 90818	100.00	400.00
5	Counselor - Thomas Michler - 90853 Group	35.00	175.00
	Medicine	156.41	156.41
8.75	Transportation	16.00	140.00
	Cable	20.00	20.00
<i>Please remit payment to above address. Questions please call Jill at 636-274-5226 x306.</i>		<b>Total</b>	<b>\$4,771.41</b>

**Abbot John Klassen's private account**

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**From:** McDonald, Finian  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 29, 2013 5:56 PM  
**To:** Crawford, Richard  
**Cc:** Abbot John Klassen's private account  
**Subject:** New Mexico Retreat

Hi..Just to finalize my trip to New Mexico...In a few days you will be sending me 150 for October...and a week later, you will be sending me 400 to cover the travel expenses to the Paraclete Retreat House in NM.. and Nov 1st you should be sending me another 150 for the month of November....I trust this agrees with your figures. I'm so looking forward for being away for these 10 days..I hear the place and the land is so beautiful. Sorry we lost the FB game....be well and thanks for all your services to me...finian



Servants of the Paraclete -

# Invoice

Date	Invoice #
9/30/2013	13710

Bill To
St. John's Abbey Abbot John Klassen Box 2015 Collegeville, MN 56321-2015

		Resident	Terms
		Finian McDonald	Net 30
Quantity	Description	Rate	Amount
30	Residence - In Patient Services	120.00	3,600.00
4	Psychologist- Dr. Rob Furey - Group 90853	40.00	160.00
3	Psychologist - Dr. Michelle McGrath - Individual 90818	100.00	300.00
4	Counselor - Thomas Michler - 90853 Group	35.00	140.00
	Medicine	22.50	22.50
4	Transportation	16.00	64.00
	Cable	20.00	20.00
<i>Please remit payment to above address. Questions please call Jill at 636-274-5226 x306.</i>		<b>Total</b>	<b>\$4,306.50</b>

Safety Travel Plan

October 8, 2013

**For:** Fr. Finian McDonald

**Date:** October 20-29, 2013

**Location:** Jemez Springs, NM

**Purpose:** At the invitation of the Very Reverend David Fitzgerald, sP, Servant General of the Servants of the Paraclete, Fr. McDonald has been invited to spend October 20-29, 2013, in Jemez Springs, NM by way of a supervised vacation. It will also be comprised of opportunities for personal renewal, prayer and recreation.

**Supervision and Monitoring:** (Standard 19.RI.e.) Fr. Finian will be supervised at all times by V. Rev. David Fitzgerald, sP, and at least two other Servants of the Paraclete. He will have no unsupervised contact with minors. His risk level is judged to be moderate to high. He is forbidden to shop alone. He switches price tags and can be excessive in his spending habits. Some early dementia features are present in Fr. McDonald.

**Travel:** By car, to and from Jemez Springs, NM.

Written Permissions have been obtained from the Very Reverend Father Abbot John Klassen, OSB, Abbot of St. John's Abbey, Fr. Liam Hoare, sP, Father Servant of the Vianney Renewal Center Program, and Dr. Robert Furey, the clinical director of Vianney Renewal Center.

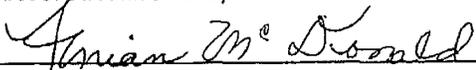
**Signatures:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Very Rev. David Fitzgerald, sP  
Servant General  
Servants of the Paraclete

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Dr. Robert Furey  
Clinical Director  
Vianney Renewal Center

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Rev. Liam Hoare, sP  
Program Director  
Vianney Renewal Center

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Very Rev. John Klassen, OSB  
Abbot of St. John's Abbey

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Rev. Finian McDonald



Servant of the Paraclete

Permission to travel to New Mexico with Father David Fitzgerald sP

Name: FINIAN Mc DONALD, OSB

Signatures required:

Canonical Superior: Abbot John Klassen, OSB

VRC Clinical Director / Fr. Servant: [Signature]

VRC Resident: Finian Mc Donald

Date: Oct 8, 2013

Please return this form in the envelope provided by Tuesday, October 15, 2013

A copy of this signed permission form will be on file at the VRC.

**Abbot John Klassen's private account**

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**From:** Abbot John Klassen's private account  
**Sent:** Monday, October 21, 2013 8:44 AM  
**To:** McDonald, Finian  
**Subject:** Have a great trip --

Finian, I hope that you received the appropriate permissions – believe me, I put them into return mail the same day I received them. So they should have come to you on Friday.  
It should be a beautiful trip, with colors and landscape changing along the way. You will be able to paint up a storm!

All best and peace, +John

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**From:** McDonald, Finian  
**Sent:** Saturday, October 19, 2013 3:22 PM  
**To:** Abbot John Klassen's private account  
**Subject:**

Abbot John;;; Just a note..the group leaves tomorrow early. I want to thank you for approving and paying for this great opportunity to go to New Mexico. I really look forward to it. I've never seen this part of the usa...closest is Allens at Arizona. I'm taking my water colors with me as I hear the light and and the scenery are awesome...I hope you enjoyed the water color I sent back to you thru Brennen...that particular one got rave reviews here. I'm doing fine..some days better than others..there seems to be a new spirit flowing thru the land...enjoy the weekend...where ever you are....finian



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Invoice

Date	Invoice #
10/31/2013	13757

Bill To
St. John's Abbey Abbot John Klassen Box 2015 Collegeville, MN 56321-2015

Resident	Terms
Finian McDonald	Net 30

Quantity	Description	Rate	Amount
31	Residence - In Patient Services	120.00	3,720.00
3	Psychologist- Dr. Rob Furey - Group 90853	40.00	120.00
2	Psychologist - Dr. Michelle McGrath - Individual 90818	100.00	200.00
2	Counselor - Thomas Michler - 90853 Group	35.00	70.00
	Medicine	56.49	56.49
9.75	Transportation	16.00	156.00
	Cable	20.00	20.00
	Eyeglasses	177.00	177.00
<i>Please remit payment to above address. Questions please call Jill at 636-274-5226 x306.</i>		<b>Total</b>	<b>\$4,519.49</b>

## **Abbot John Klassen's private account**

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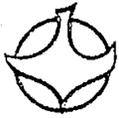
**From:** Abbot John Klassen's private account  
**Sent:** Tuesday, November 05, 2013 5:37 PM  
**To:** McDonald, Finian  
**Subject:** thanks!

Finian, it was good to speak with you this morning. I rejoice that the trip was such a time of grace for you. Blessings on you in this holy month of November. Peace, +John

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**From:** McDonald, Finian  
**Sent:** Tuesday, November 05, 2013 4:38 PM  
**To:** Abbot John Klassen's private account  
**Subject:**

Just a note...it was great to talk with you this morning. It was a conversation long overdue for me. We have had our days of division but I've always respected you and now it seems that that trust is full of grace. The trip was also one of grace...Father David is such a man of vision and the perfect man for the Paracletes at this time. Thanks for allowing me to be here and for the trip to New Mexico..my love and peace to the community. Finian



Servants of the Paraclete -

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Date	Invoice #
11/30/2013	13808

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		Resident	Terms
		Finian McDonald	Net 30
Quantity	Description	Rate	Amount
30	Residence - In Patient Services	120.00	3,600.00
2	Psychologist- Dr. Rob Furey - Group 90853	40.00	80.00
2	Psychologist - Dr. Michelle McGrath - Individual 90818	100.00	200.00
1	Psychologist - Dr. Michelle McGrath - Individual 90818	50.00	50.00
3	Counselor - Thomas Michler - 90853 Group	35.00	105.00
	Medicine	165.25	165.25
12	Transportation	16.00	192.00
	Cable	20.00	20.00
Please remit payment to above address. Questions please call Jill at 636-274-5226 x306.		<b>Total</b>	<b>\$4,412.25</b>

**Abbot John Klassen's private account**

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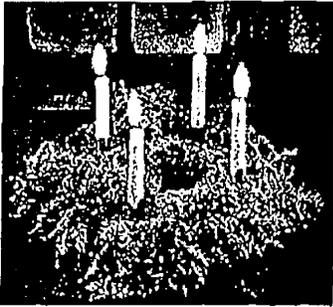
**From:** Ryan, Kelly  
**Sent:** Monday, December 09, 2013 3:52 PM  
**To:** Abbot John Klassen's private account  
**Subject:** FW: Voice Mail from ( ) (52 seconds) FR. LIAM MESSAGE ATTACHED  
**Attachments:** 2 seconds) Voice Mail.mp3

Father Liam from the renewal center would like you to call him about Fr. Finian's health.

Message attached.

Kelly

Br. Kelly Ryan, OSB  
Secretary, Office of the Abbot  
Saint John's Abbey  
Collegeville MN 56321-2015



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*Finian - earlier still summer*  
|  
*got in morning*  
*302*  
*business hours*  
*M-R*  
*306*

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**From:** Microsoft Outlook On Behalf Of  
**Sent:** Monday, December 09, 2013 3:48 PM  
**To:** Ryan, Kelly  
**Subject:** Voice Mail from 6362741979 (52 seconds)

**Voice Mail Preview:**

Good afternoon this is father the M4 calling from the on the renewal center regarding father Simeon on his house.

Could bothered haven't called me or Joe Zimmerman at area code and my extension in the evening is -  
- at 3:02.

Sheila's extension during business hours from 8:15 AM through 4:00 PM Monday through Thursday is thank you.

Created by Microsoft Speech Technology. [Learn More...](#)

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**You received a voice mail from**

Caller-Id:

Call with him - 12-14-

fainting spells - legs buckling - Kneeling  
this AM at 7:15 - buffer counter  
right hand, - upped him - sat him right down -  
bowl of cereal sitting - orange juice - diet food -  
Stokle - Sunborn - every day

5 day to a week old - state of weakness  
last week in bed - etc

need

Living 117/65 Pauline -

very below average -

Since Monday - place him in a Nursing home  
Montgomery

the good, method

Blood pressure

never finishes the meal - liquid diet

he needs professional

medical supervision

B5 on Dec 22

updated Carol Lee on F.M.'s situation.

She agreed that it would not be wise to bring him  
home to GA - that JW is still quite fragile from

Quincy's loss -

F.M. is obviously standing to die

To inform Murray concern

The Board and Council take full resp

FIM [Rosen] to a sunny name release

We submit 13 & for Rosen & personal obligations  
& are fully responsible for his  
debt -

Robert Rosen

We submit 2 documents the  
Council of the Paralel at Hill, MD  
We are fully responsible for  
financial obligations



SAINT JOHN'S  
ABBEY

December 16, 2013

**To whom it may concern:**

I, Abbot John Klassen, OSB, the abbot of Saint John's Abbey, and my Council, take full responsibility for the transfer of Father Finian [Robert] McDonald, OSB to a nursing home where he can receive the medical and other care that he needs. We authorize this through the service of the Servants of the Paraclete at Dittmer, MO. Saint John's Abbey is fully responsible for the financial obligations for this service.

Sincerely,

*Abbot John Klassen, O.S.B.*

Abbot John Klassen, OSB



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12/31/2013	13845

Bill To
St. John's Abbey Abbot John Klassen Box 2015 Collegeville, MN 56321-2015

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Finian McDonald	Net 30

Quantity	Description	Rate	Amount
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5	Psychologist - Dr. Michelle McGrath - Individual 90818	100.00	500.00
2	Counselor - Thomas Michler - 90853 Group	35.00	70.00
	Medicine	21.15	21.15
6	Transportation	16.00	96.00
	Cable	20.00	20.00
<i>Please remit payment to above address. Questions please call Jill at 636-274-5226 x306.</i>		<b>Total</b>	<b>\$4,507.15</b>

It's a remotely operated (underwater) vehicle. ROVs are highly maneuverable, unoccupied robot submarines operated via electric cable by "pilots" aboard a surface ship. They're generally equipped with cameras, lights, robot arms, and a variety of instruments that take samples and measurements.

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FINIAN OSB  
Direct Line



**Abbot John Klassen's private account**

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From: Abbot John Klassen's private account  
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2014 6:34 PM  
To: Maiers, Brennan  
Subject: FW: phone number for FM

Brennan - the numbers, both for Finian in his room and the general number.

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From: Abbot John Klassen's private account  
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2014 2:35 PM  
To:  
Subject: phone number for FM

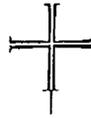
Bob,

Finian is at Saint Claire's Hospital in Fenton, MO.

His direct number is \_\_\_\_\_ - the last four digits are his room number. The hospital number is \_\_\_\_\_

+John

*Interviewed 2 fine doctors -  
leave the endoscopy open for the future -  
permanence of I & divide  
to put a tube in - lot of fennel  
long run, short term - use & then remove - hole is still there -  
tube is in - like a straw - upper abdomen -  
nutrients go right into the stomach  
can also eat 1800 - 2000 cal/day -  
switched out of here to Price Memorial  
instructional plane - short term stay  
Good writing - St. John's Vainey*



SAINT JOHN'S  
ABBEY

January 29, 2014

Confreres:

*Father Finian McDonald's* health has taken a turn for the worse over the past month. He is now carrying an oxygen tank to insure that he is getting enough oxygen into his blood. Despite many approaches to stabilizing and increasing his weight, it has declined (111 lbs). Within the last twenty four hours, he fell three times and is now in the hospital. I will call this morning and get a sense of how Finian is responding to medical treatment. Please keep Finian in your thoughts and prayers.

Abbot John

*Father Finian McDonald* is again struggling with his esophagus' unwillingness to allow food to pass through for nourishment. As a result, his weight has dropped to 117 pounds, dangerously low. Finian is going to a nursing home where he can be treated in a more systematic manner for this challenge. As a result of the weight loss, he does not have enough physical strength and is fainting.

Please keep                      and Finian in your thoughts and prayers as well.

## Abbot John Klassen's private account

**From:** Niebauer, Paul  
**Sent:** Friday, January 31, 2014 9:00 AM  
**To:** Abbot John Klassen's private account; Andert, Tom  
**Subject:** Fr. Finian's working obituary  
**Attachments:** McDonald, Finian.doc

Hello Abbot John and Prior Tom,

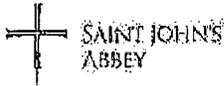
Please see attached working obituary for Fr. Finian McDonald.

J.P. had the following concerns:

1. How could he graduate and make first vows in 1956? Surely he didn't attend classes as a novice.  
But, after all this is Finian.
2. His prefect/faculty resident career was more than 62-67 and 80-82, in my memory.(such as it is!) Good job all around, --JP

Peace,

bpv



Br. Paul-Vincent Niebauer, OSB  
Director – Abbey Communications and Marketing  
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Saint John's Abbey  
Collegeville, MN 56321  
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[www.saintjohnsabbey.org](http://www.saintjohnsabbey.org)

**Video, Salt and Light Witness  
Interview with Abbot John  
Klassen, OSB (25 min.):**  
<http://saltandlighttv.org/witness/klassen.php>

9-30-11.00  
12.15 → 1.15  
3:30-7.30



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# Invoice

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2	Counselor - Thomas Michler - 90853 Group	35.00	70.00
	Medicine	66.63	66.63
9.75	Transportation	16.00	156.00
	Cable	20.00	20.00
	Ensure for Finian	30.63	30.63
<i>Please remit payment to above address. Questions please call Jill at 636-274-5226 x306.</i>		<b>Total</b>	<b>\$4,343.26</b>

# Price Memorial

300 Forby Road  
P.O. Box 476  
Eureka, Missouri 63025-0476

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FEB 10 2014



DEAR FAMILIES AND FRIENDS OF RESIDENTS,

At Price Memorial, our primary concern is to provide comprehensive quality care for each of our residents. In order to accomplish this goal, we hold a conference for each resident on a quarterly basis. Physical therapy, nursing, social service, dietary, and recreational therapy meet to discuss the medical and psychosocial needs of the resident in order to develop a written, comprehensive care plan which will be followed for daily care routines.

As part of this care, we like to inform and involve family members in the plans of care. We would like to have your personal input. With this in mind, we invite you and your resident to attend the next meeting when we will be discussing your relative or friend. The next meeting will be on

*Tuesday Feb. 11, 2014 re FINLAN McDONALD.*

If you want to attend, please call me for an appointment. Appointments start at 1:30 p.m. and for every 15-20 minutes thereafter. Please review the last care plan you received and prepare any questions or concerns that you have regarding your family member. If you are unable to attend, we will mail you a copy of the revised care plan. If you would like to discuss the care plan further, please call me.

Sincerely,

Kathy Reed, D.O.N.

*Price Memorial*

300 Forby Road  
P.O. Box 476  
Eureka, Missouri 63025-0476

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Dear Abbot Klassen,

We are sorry that you were unable to attend the recent care plan meeting for Fr. Finian at Price Memorial. We are enclosing the revised/current care plan for your resident. Please read the care plan. If you agree with this care plan, no further action is needed. However, **if you do not agree, or have questions or concerns, please contact Kathy Reed, Director of Nursing, or Julie Whitley, Social Service Director**, so that these questions or concerns may be addressed promptly. If we do not hear from you, we will assume the current care plan meets with your approval.

Sincerely,  
*Kathy Reed R.N. Don*  
Kathy Reed, R.N.  
Director of Nursing

*Julie Whitley, LCSW*  
Julie Whitley, L.C.S.W.  
Social Service Director

**GUIDE TO ABBREVIATIONS ON  
CARE PLAN**

DX=DIAGNOSIS

FX/FRAC=FRACTURE

HX=HISTORY

TX=TREATMENT

D/T=DUE TO

R/T=RELATED TO

C/O=COMPLAINTS OF

S/S=SIGNS OR SYMPTOMS

ADLS=ACTIVITIES OF DAILY LIVING

(DRESSING, GROOMING, BATHING,  
TOILETING, WALKING, EATING).

DM=DIABETES MELLITUS

NCS=NO CONCENTRATED SWEETS

NAS=NO ADDED SALT

GERD=GASTROESOPHAGEAL REFLUX  
DISEASE

G-TUBE=GASTROSTOMY FEEDING  
TUBE

BP=BLOOD PRESSURE

CAD=CORONARY ARTERY DISEASE

CHF=CONGESTIVE HEART FAILURE

A.FIB.=ATRIAL FIBRILLATION

○ HTN=HYPERTENSION  
TIA=TRANSIENT ISCHEMIC ATTACK  
(MINI STROKE THAT RESOLVES  
WITH NO REMAINING SYMPTOMS)  
CVA=CEREBROVASCULAR  
ACCIDENT (STROKE)  
CABG=CORONARY ARTERY BYPASS  
GRAFT  
MI=MYOCARDIAL INFARCTION  
(HEART ATTACK).  
PAD=PERIPHERAL ARTERY DISEASE  
OA=OSTEOARTHRITIS  
○ DJD=DEGENERATIVE JOINT DISEASE  
RA=RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS  
WC=WHEELCHAIR  
GC=GERI CHAIR (GERIATRIC)  
WW=WHEELED WALKER  
SC=STRAIGHT CANE  
QC= QUAD CANE  
HOYER, MAXI, SARA LIFT=TYPES OF  
MECHANICAL LIFTS  
INDEPENDENT=NO SET UP OR  
WALKING DEVICE.  
MODIFIED INDEPENDENT=INDEPEN-  
○ DENT WITH WALKING DEVICE.

SBA=STAND BY ASSIST FOR GAIT, NO  
HANDS ON RESIDENT, JUST  
SUPERVISION AND/OR VERBAL  
CUES.

CG=CONTACT GUARD, 5% ASSIST.

MIN=MINIMUM ASSIST, 25% ASSIST/  
75% RESIDENT EFFORT.

MOD=MODERATE ASSIST, 50%  
ASSIST/50% RESIDENT EFFORT.

MAX=MAXIMUM ASSIST, 75% ASSIST/  
25% RESIDENT EFFORT.

P.T.=PHYSICAL THERAPY

O.T.=OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY

M.T.=MAINTENANCE THERAPY

R.T.=RECREATIONAL THERAPY

S.T.=SPEECH THERAPY

ROM=RANGE OF MOTION

SCU=SPECIAL CARE UNIT

BID=TWICE A DAY

TID=THREE TIMES A DAY

QD=ONCE A DAY

QID=FOUR TIMES A DAY

PRN=AS NEEDED

OCC=OCCASIONAL

AC=BEFORE MEALS

PC=AFTER MEALS  
HS=AT BEDTIME (HOUR OF SLEEP)  
UTI=URINARY TRACT INFECTION  
BM=BOWEL MOVEMENT  
PSYCH=PSYCHIATRIC  
EVAL=EVALUATION  
MEDS=MEDICATIONS  
DIAG=DIAGNOSIS  
COGN=COGNITION  
COMM=COMMUNICATION  
ACTI=ACTIVITIES  
GTTS=DROPS (AS IN EYE DROPS)  
HOH=HARD OF HEARING  
CBC=COMPLETE BLOOD COUNT  
BMP=BASIC METABOLIC PROFILE  
(BLOOD TEST)  
CMP=COMPREHENSIVE METABOLIC  
PROFILE  
H & H=HEMOGLOBIN AND HEMATOCRIT  
HGA1C=BLOOD SUGAR SCREENING

JULIE WHITLEY, L.C.S.W.

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No	Onset	Category	Problem(s)	Goal(s)	Approach(s)	Dept	Review
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1 02/11/14 ACTI Adjustment To Nursing Home Placement And Facility Schedules.

Resident will demonstrate adjustment to living situation, and will attend activities over the next 90 days.

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Activity Department To Monitor Attendance Of Activities.	NA
Attend Mass as desires.	A
Daily Room Visits.	N
Invite, Encourage And Assist To Activities.	NA
Put activity calendar in room each month.	A

2 02/11/14 ADLS Resident Requires Minimal Assist With Adls.

Resident will be dressed appropriately, well groomed, and comfortable over the next 90 days.

05/12/14

Allow Resident To Complete Own Adls Unassisted As Long As Safe During Completion.	
Assist With Dressing As Needed.	N
Does own mouthcare.	N
Keep call light with in reach at all times.	N
Needs verbal cues and oversite during care for competition.	N
Requires assist with bathing, can wash own face and upper body.	N
Resident to shave daily as needed.	N
Ot 5x/wk For Adl Training.	NT

3 02/11/14 diag Has dx of Diabetes Mellitus.

Blood Sugar Levels will be within acceptable Range over the next 90 days.

05/12/14

Accuchecks As Ordered By Physician.	N
Give Meds. As Ordered By Physician.	N
Monitor For Signs Of Hyper/Hypoglycemia.	N
Monitor Lab Values as ordered.	N
Keep MD informed of any changes.	N

4 02/11/14 diag Resident Has Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease.

Resident:	Finian R. McDonald	Admission Date:	2/3/2014	Room No:	S-50
Doctor:	Vargas, Teodoro C., M.D.	Admission No:	1569	Birth Date:	12/23/1928

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No Onset Category Problem(s) Goal(s) Approach(s) Dept Review

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No	Onset	Category	Problem(s)	Goal(s)	Approach(s)	Dept	Review								
7	02/11/14	diag	Has dx of tachycardia.	Resident's risk for a cardiac crisis Will be minimized Over The Next 90 Days.	<table border="1"> <tr><td>May give meds crushed together via g-tube mixed with water, flush gtube with h2o as ordered, or may be given crushed in pureed fruit PO as ordered.</td><td>N</td></tr> <tr><td>Seen by ST as ordered.</td><td>TN</td></tr> </table>	May give meds crushed together via g-tube mixed with water, flush gtube with h2o as ordered, or may be given crushed in pureed fruit PO as ordered.	N	Seen by ST as ordered.	TN		05/12/14				
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8	02/11/14	diag	Has venous insufficiency.	Resident's risk of complications from venous insufficiency will be reduced over the next 90 days.	<table border="1"> <tr><td>Check Bp and P as ordered.</td><td>N</td></tr> <tr><td>Give Meds. As Ordered By Physician.</td><td>N</td></tr> <tr><td>Inform MD of any changes.</td><td>N</td></tr> </table>	Check Bp and P as ordered.	N	Give Meds. As Ordered By Physician.	N	Inform MD of any changes.	N		05/12/14		
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Inform MD of any changes.	N														
9	02/11/14	diag	Has dx. of Gastroesophageal Reflux Disorder.	Resident will report abdominal discomfort is managed over next 90 days.	<table border="1"> <tr><td>Give Meds. As Ordered By Physician.</td><td>N</td></tr> <tr><td>Monitor for edema.</td><td>N</td></tr> <tr><td>Keep MD Informed of any changes.</td><td>N</td></tr> <tr><td>Ted Hose worn daily as ordered.</td><td>N</td></tr> </table>	Give Meds. As Ordered By Physician.	N	Monitor for edema.	N	Keep MD Informed of any changes.	N	Ted Hose worn daily as ordered.	N		05/12/14
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Monitor for c/o epigastric pain.	N														
Inform MD of any changes.	N														
11	02/11/14	diag	Has Vit. D deficiency.	Resident's Vit. D level will be within normal range over the next 90 days.	<table border="1"> <tr><td>Monitor for signs of depression.</td><td>N</td></tr> <tr><td>Give antidepressant as ordered, monitor for effectiveness.</td><td>N</td></tr> <tr><td>Observe For Side Effects Of Antidepressants And Report To Physician.</td><td>N</td></tr> <tr><td>Encourage resident to attend activities.</td><td>ALL</td></tr> </table>	Monitor for signs of depression.	N	Give antidepressant as ordered, monitor for effectiveness.	N	Observe For Side Effects Of Antidepressants And Report To Physician.	N	Encourage resident to attend activities.	ALL		05/12/14
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Phy 1119 2 St. Andrew's Francis Place

4375.  
Initial ingestion of Her - dealing with this now -  
Learn found out about these consequences yesterday (6-4-14)  
Very business like - when speaking w/  
3 miles away

Big River -> one priest 3 months  
ago - pulmonary fibrosis - needs oxygen 24/7

4 persons at St. Andrew's Francis Place

Arrowdale -> at Big River  
no chapel, no religious services

Medicare / Medicaid

Transfer -

no choice to call -  
Agents of private rooms at Big River  
by way of contract - Medicaid  
w/ Medicare or Medicaid  
& Veteran Vietnam ->

only probable option at present time

Reviews to - Offered to meet w/ + James  
by clinical, legal, knowledge of 4 clients  
can't promise she will change of her mind  
"Have to report to State" Probation - Hillsboro

Jonahide Treatment Center for DC priests

8 year history as is contract -

comparable agreement between legal agencies

MO becomes host to person from

another legal entity - go thru needs to be  
a hand shake

3. State of MN I like to <sup>is there a religious community</sup>  
a group of religious supervisors <sup>with a core center?</sup>

any safe house & members on safety plan -  
Newark brock - Superstition

monthly visit - to insure compliance  
already have a safety plan -

meals - Prisonarium standards  
Secondary education

3. John V. Conroy Center - Philadelphia - October  
of last year → were thinking of it -  
now he taking guys like Forjan McDonald

FHM was actually bringing Guilbert to records  
when the priest didn't show up -

He is quite mobile now, as shown the book -  
FHM had had the conversation last Friday -

FHM is able to take care of feeding tube &  
depression -

him - 31 of 31 pieces full - 29th month  
that fluid is so - 1 on waiting list -

I wonder if the Crosses were soon available -  
at Orania V. Rev. Kenneth Hall, OSC

Deane Meathony

Diane → from St Andrew at Francis House  
- pm update - from Monday afternoon  
Dr. Finian does not really manage care - he does it  
himself - primary care - regular visits - will have difficulty  
from - can be side of back - No - issues will come getting in

Recon  
Recon - try to make a connection today - Brian will  
EM Heavell qualify for that services provider of his district

good solution - he can call make that  
about the / clear this is

Archdiocese of St. Louis  
Cardinal Ritter Institute → Fr. Loan →  
I need to make  
connection -

I will make the introduction - dilemma  
making around the walls -  
shoring - billing with Diane!!  
One major difficulty depending because someone  
Finian does not know that his time is on an end -

**Abbot John Klassen's private account**

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**From:** Crawford, Richard  
**Sent:** Monday, February 17, 2014 11:07 AM  
**To:** McDonald, Finian  
**Cc:** Abbot John Klassen's private account; Andert, Tom  
**Subject:** Cell Phone

Finian-

Tomorrow a Tracfone will be shipped to you from Saint John's (no mail today, President's Day). I set it up and charged it, you have 1,000 minutes and a year's worth of service. When you begin to run low on minutes, let me know and I will recharge the phone.

Your new number is (

You can turn it on and use it right out of the box, all you have to do is press and hold the RED power button above the number '3' key. Included is a wall charger, which you will have to use occasionally. There is a plug on the side of the phone.

Please let me know if you have any questions, I'm so glad to hear you are doing a bit better!! We have been blanketed with a few inches of snow this morning, but finally the temperatures are forecasted to get above freezing!!

-Richard

Br. Richard Crawford, OSB  
Staff Accountant, Abbey Business Office  
2900 Abbey Plaza  
Collegeville, MN 56321  
OF

*Sent to FM by Snail mail  
on 2-18-14*

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Servants of the Paraclete - MO

P.O. Box 539  
Cedar Hill, MO 63016

Invoice

Date	Invoice #
2/28/2014	13952

<b>Bill To</b>
St. John's Abbey Abbot John Klassen Box 2015 Collegeville, MN 56321-2015

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Resident	Terms
Finian McDonald	Net 30

Quantity	Description	Rate	Amount
4	Psychologist - Dr. Michelle McGrath - Individual 90818	100.00	400.00
<p>+ 200. balance from last month Please pay 600.00 (see attached)</p>			
375			
Please remit payment to above address. Questions please call Jill at 636-274-5226 x306.		<b>Total</b>	<b>\$400.00</b>



SAINT JOHN  
ABBAY

*for*

*636 938-5266*

*for Price*

*Memorial*

March 7, 2014

Ms. Julie Whitley  
Price Memorial Nursing Home  
300 Forby Road  
Eureka, MO 63023

Dear Ms. Whitley:

Thank you for your voice-mail this morning regarding the expiration of Medicare coverage for *Father Finian (Robert) McDonald, OSB*. It is gratifying news that Father Finian has recovered to a level of independence, even though it means a greater cost for the abbey. Per my previous letter of authorization (1-30-14, I reaffirm our full responsibility for payment for nursing and other care at your facility that Father Finian needs. On reflection, I support Father Finian's desire to be in a private room at a cost of \$194.00 per day.

You may bill me at the following address:

Abbot John Klassen, OSB  
Saint John's Abbey  
Box 2015  
Collegeville, MN 56321

I did receive the faxed material you sent me, including the questions that Finian and the staff have for Dr. Aymerich. I hope this is a fruitful and information-laden encounter.

If you have further questions or need more information, my email address is \_\_\_\_\_ and my telephone number is \_\_\_\_\_ Fax is \_\_\_\_\_ . Thank you for your care for Father Finian.

Sincerely,

*Abbot John Klassen, OSB*  
Abbot John Klassen, OSB

cc: Father Liam Hoare, s.P.  
Brother Ken Kroeker, OSB

Office of the Abbot

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Julie -

Here are the questions for Father Finian's doctor's appointment. He has a copy, and I faxed them to Dr. Aymerich this morning.

We are hoping he will have time to have a consultation with the doctor so he can discuss them. Do you know if this is possible in addition to the tests? If not, we are hoping for written responses and associated written orders.

If you have questions, my cell is ( )  
Thank you for your time! Melanie (speech)

Re: Father "Finian" Robert McDonald 12/23/28

Questions for Dr. Aymerich

\*\*Please provide written orders indicating specific recommendations. Thank you!\*\*

1. Is the goal to maintain weight with a modified diet without the use of the g-tube?
2. Is there a point where the g-tube would stay in but not be used? Could it ever be removed?
3. Should I eat by mouth as much as possible or eat with the g-tube as much as possible to not use the esophagus much?
4. What are the signs that the diet can be advanced? I am currently on a mechanical soft diet and tolerating it well using small bites/sips, frequent drinks, and a slow meal pace.
5. What are the signs that advancing the diet is problematic?
6. What foods should be avoided and why (ex. Caffeine, chocolate)? How frequently can I have them?
7. What foods should be encouraged and why?
8. What is the safest way to have non-pureed consistencies besides small bites, chewing carefully, and frequent drinks?
9. Why did you feel the g-tube was necessary?
10. What would happen if I did not have my g-tube?

Re: Father "Finian" Robert McDonald 12/23/28

11. Am I at risk for further problems like cancer since they have previously found benign polyps?
12. Is there another step in the progression of the acholasia?
13. How will the test results from the colonoscopy and endoscopy potentially affect your recommendations?
14. Is it ok to have limited amounts of "regular" food? What are the risks?
15. Is irregularity and diarrhea more common with a g-tube? Does this usually subside?
16. Can you continue as my GI specialist? If so, can I contact you with further questions
17. Should we continue to crush my medications or use liquids? Is this likely permanent?
18. Should I have smaller, more frequent meals?
19. Are there any brochures, websites, or other written resources with further information?

Thank you for your time and advice!

~~Handwritten scribble~~

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**Aegis Therapies**  
At Price Memorial  
300 Forby Road  
Eureka, Missouri, 63025  
636-938-5151  
Therapy Department Fax 636-587-3137

# Fax

*and Finian*

To: Dr. Aymenich From: Melanie Brimer, SCF

Fax #: 314-646-7847 # of pages (included cover page) 3

Date: 3/7/14

Re: Father "Finian" Robert McDonald

Here are some questions we have prepared so that we fully understand how to provide him the best care possible. Since he is having the endoscopy and colonoscopy, we wanted to make sure you have these ahead of time. (The tests were ordered by his house physician, Dr. Vargas, due to blood in his stool). Please provide written responses and please provide written orders indicating what you would like for him.

Thank you! ☺ *Melanie Brimer, PhD, CCSF*

Faxed  
3-12-14

Questions for Dr. Avmerich

\*\*Please provide written orders indicating specific recommendations. Thank you!\*\*

1. Is the goal to maintain weight with a modified diet without the use of the g-tube?  
The G-tube is added "insurance" to make sure he can take enough calories.
2. Is there a point where the g-tube would stay in but not be used? Could it ever be removed?  
It can stay and be used intermittently.
3. Should I eat by mouth as much as possible or eat with the g-tube as much as possible to not use the esophagus much?  
Would rely on G-tube if eating by mouth gives you trouble. Can take some food as tolerated.
4. What are the signs that the diet can be advanced? I am currently on a mechanical soft diet and tolerating it well using small bites/sips, frequent drinks, and a slow meal pace.  
Diet as tolerated but current diet may be better given a dysfunctional esophagus.
5. What are the signs that advancing the diet is problematic?  
Difficulty swallowing, choking, vomiting, losing weight.
6. What foods should be avoided and why (ex. Caffeine, chocolate)? How frequently can I have them?  
Consistency of the food may be the main problem.
7. What foods should be encouraged and why?  
Softer foods so they don't get lodged in esophagus.
8. What is the safest way to have non-pureed consistencies besides small bites, chewing carefully, and frequent drinks?  
That is it.
9. Why did you feel the g-tube was necessary?  
Your esophagus is not functioning. Not pushing food down into your stomach. This was causing you to not eat as much and you were losing weight. This was a sign of malnutrition.
10. What would happen if I did not have my g-tube?  
You would continue to lose weight.

11. Am I at risk for further problems like cancer since they have previously found benign polyps? *Achalasia can carry a higher risk of some types of esophageal cancer.*
12. Is there another step in the progression of the acholasia? *Your achalasia seems to have reached an "end-stage."*
13. How will the test results from the colonoscopy and endoscopy potentially affect your recommendations? *If your weight is stable, this can be elective. Just important that there are no surprises.*
14. Is it ok to have limited amounts of "regular" food? What are the risks? *Can try as tolerated. Avoid if having difficulty swallowing/leaking.*
15. Is irregularity and diarrhea more common with a g-tube? Does this usually subside? *Can happen and often associated with the nutrition formulas used.*
16. Can you continue as my GI specialist? If so, can I contact you with further questions? *Yes.*
17. Should we continue to crush my medications or use liquids? Is this likely permanent? *Both measures can be used. Continue for now. May be permanent.*
18. Should I have smaller, more frequent meals? *Yes.*
19. Are there any brochures, websites, or other written resources with further information? *Many options online. Try MedicineNet.com.*

Thank you for your time and advice!

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**Progress Note for Father Finian Robert McDonald**  
Melanie Brimer, Ph.D., CCC-SLP  
March 13, 2014

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1. Thank you for providing such extensive answers to our questions. It makes a huge difference in his plan of care.
2. Here is what I am seeing with him:
  - a. His cognition is not impaired.
  - b. He is highly motivated.
  - c. He learns new strategies well and is very compliant.
  - d. We have focused on the following strategies, and he is independent with them:
    - i. Small bites/sips
    - ii. Chewing thoroughly
    - iii. Slow meal pace
    - iv. Frequent drinks every 2-3 bites
  - e. He is tolerating the mechanical soft diet well and is satisfied with it.
  - f. He is consuming 80%-100% of his meals with 3 tube feedings a day.
  - g. He is willing to have oral supplements, such as Boost.
3. Future directions
  - a. We plan to focus on his weight gain.
  - b. We plan to work on small, more frequent meals.
  - c. We plan to have him choose at most 1 "regular" item per meal for comfort, such as 10% of his meals, though he knows it is riskier and should be discouraged.
  - d. We would like to be able to decrease his tube feedings to none as he tolerates it as long as he continues to have good PO intake, a good appetite, and continues to gain weight. We understand the tube would not be removed, however.
4. Orders
  - a. I have provided an order sheet with a possible order written.
  - b. I have also provided a blank order sheet if you prefer to write your own.
  - c. We need an order allowing him to trial regular foods (ex. 10% of his meals per day or some other specification).
  - d. We also need an order stating that he needs smaller, more frequent meals.
  - e. We need an order allowing him to decrease his tube feedings to none if he is able to tolerate his diet, have a good appetite, and gain weight.
  - f. Finally, we need an order stating he should have oral supplements, such as Boost, if he needs them to gain weight.

**Thank you!**

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## Strategies for Father Finian McDonald

Based on agreements between Melanie (speech), Mary Alice (dietician) and Shirley (Nurse) in compliance with Dr. Aymerich's (G-I doctor) recommendations and orders

1. Majority of calories / nutrition through g-tube - currently at 3 feedings per day based on Mary Alice's recommendations in order to maintain or gain weight and remain nourished and hydrated
2. Mechanical soft diet with medications through g-tube
3. Volume of food "naturally limited" - he is more full from feedings and will eat less based on decreased appetite and knowledge of condition
4. If he is not "naturally limiting" the volume of food, this may be artificially changed in the future, such as only 1 cup of food per meal based on dietician's recommendations
5. Compensatory strategies Father Finian uses independently without supervision:
  - a. small bites/sips
  - b. frequent drinks every 2-3 bites
  - c. chewing thoroughly
  - d. slow meal pace
  - e. restricting volume of food
  - f. limited caffeine - self-restricted
6. Future Directions
  - a. If Father Finian does not have small meals, his volumes may be restricted
  - b. He may request a change in the schedule of the feedings if possible so his sleep is not disrupted as much
  - c. If these strategies are not effective, he could demonstrate reflux, pain, or aspiration; however, he is not at a high risk of aspiration when using all of these strategies and can therefore eat unsupervised
  - d. If there are further questions, Dr. Aymerich may be contacted

Thank you for helping with his case! *Pheloni Bruny PhD, MEd, SLP*  
March 20, 2014



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## GASTROSCOPY DISCHARGE INSTRUCTIONS

**Patient:** Finian McDonald  
**Procedure Date:** Friday, March 14, 2014  
**Physician:** Ruben R. Aymerich, MD

You have been given intravenous medication to help make your test more comfortable. You may have slightly tenderness and/or redness at the intravenous medication site for 24-48 hours.

**We request for the next 24 hours you should exercise caution:** you should not drive a vehicle, operate heavy machinery or power tools, or consume alcoholic beverages. You should not sign important legal papers or make important legal decisions.

Your throat may be slightly sore. This should disappear within 24 hours. Use of throat lozenges may help.

**Notify your physician if you experience:** Severe pain or bloating, chills or fever over 100 degrees, chest pain or shortness of breath, or other new or unusual symptoms.

Your examination showed:

- Dilation in the entire esophagus. Biopsied.
- Gastrotomy present characterized by healthy appearing mucosa.
- Normal examined duodenum.

Your doctor recommends these additional instructions:

We are waiting for your pathology results.

Your clinical course will be observed.

If you experience any problems, you may reach **Ruben R. Aymerich, MD** at Work: (314) 646-7848 or St. Clare Emergency Department at 636-496-2100. I have received and understand the above instructions.

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Ruben R. Aymerich, MD  
Finalized Date: 3/14/2014 12:25:12 PM  
This report has been signed electronically.

Procedure Images



Add'l Images



1 Dilated esophagus



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**COLONOSCOPY DISCHARGE INSTRUCTIONS**

**Patient:** Finian McDonald  
**Procedure Date:** Friday, March 14, 2014  
**Physician:** Ruben R. Aymerich, MD

You have been given intravenous medication to help make your test more comfortable. You may have slightly tenderness and/or redness at the intravenous medication site for 24-48 hours.

**Therefore we request for the next 24 hours you should exercise caution:** you should not drive a vehicle, operate heavy machinery or power tools, or consume alcoholic beverages. You should not sign important legal papers or make important legal decisions.

No laxatives or enemas for the next two (2) days.

Your bowels should return to what is normal for you in the next 2-3 days.

**Notify your physician if you experience:** Severe pain or bloating, chills or fever over 100 degrees, rectal bleeding ( if you biopsies were taken or polyps removed you may experience small traces of blood), shortness of breath, or other new or unusual symptoms.

Your examination showed:

- Diverticulosis in the sigmoid colon and in the descending colon,
- The examination was otherwise normal.

Your doctor recommends these additional instructions:

None

If you experience any problems, you may reach **Ruben R. Aymerich, MD** at Work: (314) 646-7848 or St. Clare Emergency Department at 636-496-2100. I have received and understand the above instructions.

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*Patient or responsible party*

*Witness*

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Time \_\_\_\_\_



Ruben R. Aymerich, MD  
Finalized Date: 3/14/2014 12:26:27 PM  
This report has been signed electronically.

**Procedure Images**

**Add'l Images**

Klingeman, David

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**From:** Abbey Discussion List < > on behalf of McGraw, Rene <  
**Sent:** Saturday, March 15, 2014 9:14 PM  
**To:**  
**Subject:** [ABBEY] Finian

Hello Everyone,

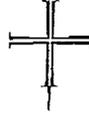
I talked to Finian on Thursday shortly after supper. He had been earlier that day to have an endoscopy and a colonoscopy. The endoscopy showed that his esophagus was crammed with food. The purpose of the colonoscopy was to try to discover why there was blood in his stool.

The doctor's decision was that he would have to be fed from now on by tube. And though they didn't solve the question of the blood, they took several snippets from his colon to try to discover whether there was something more serious involved with his bowel or intestines.

He was weak and tired when I talked to him, so I didn't talk very long.

Finian asks the prayers of the community.

Rene



SAINT JOHN'S  
ABBAY

March 17, 2014

Dear confreres:

Rene talked to Finian on Thursday, shortly after supper. Finian had an endoscopy and a colonoscopy earlier that day. Unfortunately, the endoscopy showed that his esophagus was crammed with food. The purpose of the colonoscopy was to try to discover why there was blood in his stool.

The doctor's decision was that he will have to be fed from now on by tube only. Though they didn't solve the question of the blood, they took several snippets from his colon to try to discover whether there was something more serious involved with his bowel or intestines.

Finian was weak and tired when Rene talked to him –  
Finian asks the prayers of the community

Abbot John

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Skilled Nursing Facility Advance Beneficiary Notice (SNFABN)

Date of Notice: 3/17/14

NOTE: You need to make a choice about receiving these health care items or services.

It is not Medicare's opinion, but our opinion, that Medicare will not pay for the item(s) or service(s) described below. Medicare does not pay for all of your health care costs.

Medicare only pays for covered items and services when Medicare rules are met. The fact that Medicare may not pay for a particular item or service does not mean that you should not receive it. There may be a good reason to receive it. Right now, in your case, Medicare probably will not pay for -

after  
3/19/14

Items or Services:

end of med. A coverage for room, board, & speech therapy for feeding

Because:

tube due to change in Dr. orders re feeding tube and res. desire not to use feeding tube for nutrition anymore than

The purpose of this form is to help you make an informed choice about whether or not you want to receive these items or services, knowing that you might have to pay for them yourself. Before you make a decision about your options, you should read this entire notice carefully.

- Ask us to explain, if you don't understand why Medicare probably won't pay.
- Ask us how much these items or services will cost you (Estimated Cost: \$ \_\_\_\_\_), in case you have to pay for them yourself or through other insurance you may have.
- Your other insurance is: \_\_\_\_\_
- If in 90 days you have not gotten a decision on your claim, contact the Medicare contractor at: Address: \_\_\_\_\_

he has to prefer oral intd in spite of esophgeal achalasia

- at: Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ TTY/TDD: \_\_\_\_\_
- If you receive these items or services, we will submit your claim for them to Medicare.

PLEASE CHOOSE ONE OPTION. CHECK ONE BOX. DATE & SIGN THIS NOTICE.

Option 1. YES. I want to receive these items or services. I understand that Medicare will not decide whether to pay unless I receive these items or services. I understand you will notify me when my claim is submitted and that you will not bill me for these items or services until Medicare makes its decision. If Medicare denies payment, I agree to be personally and fully responsible for payment. That is, I will pay personally, either out of pocket or through any other insurance that I have. I understand that I can appeal Medicare's decision.

Option 2. NO. I will not receive these items or services. I understand that you will not be able to submit a claim to Medicare and that I will not be able to appeal your opinion that Medicare won't pay. I understand that, in the case of any physician-ordered items or services, I should notify my doctor who ordered them that I did not receive them.

Patient's Name: Finian McDonald Medicare # (HICN) \_\_\_\_\_

Date: 3/17/14 Signature of the patient or of the authorized representative: X

Condition: No material improvement in relation to therapy services required - partial denial

Denial Paragraph: Medicare covers medically necessary skilled rehabilitation services when needed on a daily basis. While you required skilled (specify) therapy from (date) to (date), the medical information shows that the (specify) therapy services after that time is not reasonable in relation to the expected improvements in your condition. In this case, since you do not need skilled nursing on a daily basis and the therapy services are not considered reasonable and necessary, we believe your stay after (date) is not covered under Medicare.

Results of Endoscopy Lab Work

DO NOT SUBSTITUTE

STAT MEDICATION ORDER  
(FOR NURSING USE ONLY)



PLEASE INCLUDE: PHYSICIAN NAME, NUMBER AND SIGNATURE

✓ DATE TIME

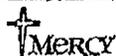
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EGD results:  
Acute esophagitis consistent  
w/ Candida esophagitis

Start Rx Diflucan 100 mg PO or  
per tube QD for 7 days.

*[Signature]*  
Dr. Ruben Aymerich

SCAN PRINT SIDE DOWN, THIS END FIRST.



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St. John's Mercy Medical Center, St. Louis, MO  
St. John's Mercy Hospital, Washington, MO

Form UN8000 (10/09)

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Compensatory Strategy	Rationale
Small bites/sips	Only give body a small amount of food to process
Chew thoroughly	help food pass as a pureed or nearly pureed consistency to ensure it does not get stuck along the way
Slow meal pace	helps body process a small amount at a time to make sure <del>each</del> each bite goes down fully
Crushing pills and having them in puree	helps pills go down smooth and get processed without becoming lodged in the esophagus
Frequent drinks every 2-3 bites and more with harder consistencies	helps the food get coated, allows each bite to get all the way down easily
Using caution with harder consistencies <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mixed consistencies (ex. cereal &amp; milk)</li> <li>- Crumbly consistencies (ex. nuts, popcorn, chips, dry ground meat)</li> <li>- Other consistencies that remain harder and do not get ground up easily (ex. corn)</li> </ul>	Foods that do not get ground up easily do not smoothly go down, they are likely to get stuck along the way

## Esophageal Achalasia

Typical esophagus - a ring-shaped sphincter muscle at the top of the esophagus (upper esophageal sphincter) and a sphincter at the bottom of the esophagus (lower esophageal sphincter)

Achalasia - lower esophageal sphincter (LES) is not opening properly, described as a "bird beak" where food becomes lodged at the bottom of the esophagus prior to entering the stomach

Ryan, Kelly

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**From:** Abbey Discussion List < > on behalf of Maiers, Brennan  
**Sent:** Sunday, April 13, 2014 10:40 PM  
**To:**  
**Subject:** [ABBAY] Finian  
**Categories:** \_026

**Confreres,**

**I had a call from Finian. His phone ran out of minutes and he had to use another person's phone.**

**He wanted to be remembered in prayers as he has contacted pneumonia.**

**He feels isolated since his phone won't work until Crawford adds more minutes to his cell phone.**

**He wanted to make sure that Father Abbot knew and Rene and Eugene and all his friends!**

**Peace and a blessed Holy Week!**

**Brennan OSB**

# *Price Memorial*

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April 30, 2014

Dear Friends:

May is the month when we look forward to the promise of summer. It is also when we recognize Older Americans Month in accordance with the proclamation signed by former president John F. Kennedy in 1963. This is a time to honor our older adults for being vital, contributing members of society, regardless of age or place of residence.

Sunday, May 11, you are invited to join us for our Mother's Day Tea beginning at 2:00 p.m. in the dining room. The ladies who live with us, their children, grandchildren, and other family members and friends are invited to share an enjoyable afternoon with us.

Sunday, May 18, is the facility Hawaiian Luau family potluck picnic at Price Memorial, beginning at 11:30 a.m. Family members are invited to bring a vegetable, salad, or dessert dish, and we will provide fried chicken, baked beans, slaw, lemonade, soda, cobbler, and ice cream. The picnic will take place on the front lawn, weather permitting. The meal will be served from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. Entertainment will be provided by Ken Roberts and some clowns.

We hope you will be able to join us in our "Celebration". Our residents always look forward to visits – especially during Older Americans Month.

Sincerely,

*Brother John Spila, O.S.F.*  
Brother John Spila, O.S.F.  
Administrator

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**OSB McDONALD\_00847**

Price Memorial

05/06/14

Care Plans

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No Onset Category Problem(s) Goal(s) Approach(s) Dept Review

**Finian R. McDonald**

1 05/06/14 ACTI Need for independent activities.

Resident will continue to pursue individual activities of interest over the next 90 days.

08/04/14

Activity Department To Monitor Attendance Of Activities.	NA
Attend Mass as desires.	A
Invite, Encourage And Assist To Activities.	NA
Put activity calendar in room each month.	A
Enjoys going outside.	N

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2 05/06/14 ADLS Resident Requires Minimal Assist With Adls.

Resident will be dressed appropriately, well groomed, and comfortable over the next 90 days.

08/04/14

Allow Resident To Complete Own Adls Unassisted As Long As Safe During Completion.	N
Resident to dress self.	N
Does own mouthcare.	N
Keep call light with in reach at all times.	N
Requires supervision with bathing.	N
Resident to shave daily as needed.	N

3 05/06/14 diag Has dx of Diabetes Mellitus.

Blood Sugar Levels will be within acceptable Range over the next 90 days.

08/04/14

Accuchecks As Ordered By Physician.	N
Give Meds. As Ordered By Physician.	N
Monitor For Signs Of Hyper/Hypoglycemia.	N
Monitor Lab Values as ordered.	N
Keep MD informed of any changes.	N

4 05/06/14 diag Resident Has Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease.

Resident will maintain normal activity level decreased c/o of chest pain or SOB over the next 90 days.

08/04/14

Elevate HOB as needed to aid with breathing.	N
Give Inhalers As Ordered.	N
Give Meds. As Ordered By Physician.	N
Monitor for c/o shortness of breath.	N

Resident:	Finian R. McDonald	Admission Date:	2/3/2014	Room No:	S-50
Doctor:	Vargas, Teodoro C., M.D.	Admission No:	1569	Birth Date:	12/23/1928

No	Onset	Category	Problem(s)	Goal(s)	Approach(s)	Dept	Review
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**Finian R. McDonald**

				Resident's risk of complications from venous insufficiency will be reduced over the next 90 days.			08/04/14
					Give Meds. As Ordered By Physician.	N	
					Monitor for edema.	N	
					Keep MD informed of any changes.	N	
					Ted Hose worn daily as ordered.	N	

9	05/06/14	diag	Has dx. of Gastroesophageal Reflux Disorder.	Blood Sugar Levels will be within Normal Range over the next 90 days.			08/04/14
					Give Meds. As Ordered By Physician.	N	
					Encourage resident to sit up at least one hour after meals.	N	
					Monitor for c/o epigastric pain.	N	
					Inform MD of any changes.	N	

10	05/06/14	MOOD	Has Dx. of Depression.	Resident Will Exhibit Decreased signs of depression over next 90 days.			08/04/14
					Monitor for signs of depression.	N	
					Give antidepressant as ordered, monitor for effectiveness.	N	
					Observe For Side Effects Of Antidepressants And Report To Physician.	N	
					Encourage resident to attend activities.	ALL	

11	05/06/14	diag	Has Vit. D deficiency.	Resident's Vit. D level will be within normal range over the next 90 days.			08/04/14
					Give RX as ordered.	N	
					Monitor Lab Values as ordered.	N	
					Keep MD Informed of any changes.	N	

12	05/06/14	FALL	High risk of falls r/t weakness	Resident's fall risk will be minimized over the next 90 days.			08/04/14
					Ambulate With or without a W/Walker Daily as desired.	N	
					Monitor for unsteady gait.	N	

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Dear Abbot John Klassen, OSB,

We are sorry that you were unable to attend the recent care plan meeting for \_\_\_\_\_ at Price Memorial. We are enclosing the revised/current care plan for your resident. Please read the care plan. If you agree with this care plan, no further action is needed. However, **if you do not agree, or have questions or concerns, please contact Kathy Reed, Director of Nursing, or Julie Whitley, Social Service Director,** so that these questions or concerns may be addressed promptly. If we do not hear from you, we will assume the current care plan meets with your approval.

Sincerely,

*Kathy Reed R.N. OSB*      *Julie Whitley, LCSW*  
Kathy Reed, R.N.      Julie Whitley, L.C.S.W.  
Director of Nursing      Social Service Director

**Abbot John Klassen's private account**

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**From:** Crawford, Richard  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 08, 2014 1:17 PM  
**To:** Abbot John Klassen's private account; Leuthner, Benedict; Andert, Tom  
**Subject:** F M

Abbot John-

I had a phone conversation with the social worker (Julie) at Price Memorial this morning, as I was trying to figure out F M's TV needs.

Evidently F M is feeling better, and has been challenging for their staff to deal with. I can give you a rundown of the challenges, but for now I will share what needs to be addressed immediately.

F M can only receive \$45 a month for spending money. That is because he is now enrolled in the Missouri Medicaid program, and there are limits to the amount he can have. This does NOT include his cable or cell phone, we can take care of that without impacting his Missouri status.

He has been having their staff buy him things at Wal-Mart (including a \$450 TV) on their corporate account. We are in the process of settling his account with them, but it is putting a strain on their hospitality. They need some guidance as far as how much they can spend (it should be no more than \$45/month)

FYI the staff at Price Memorial set up a savings account for him at the local bank, where they will deposit the money each month. He has asked to have that turned into a checking account, which does not seem prudent (given his spending history). The staff at the facility will assist him with the funds.

**For clarity's sake, I am hoping you can write a memo to F M laying out the following:**

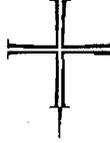
*Saint John's can only provide \$45 a month, he must live within that budget. We can't send him extra for additional groceries or other expenses. Any money over \$45/month impacts the aid he receives from the state of Missouri, and creates problems for the facility and for the county. We can provide his cell phone and basic satellite service. Also he will not have a checking account at the Bank of Washington.*

If we can also send a copy of the memo to the social worker, it would be helpful on their end for dealing with him. Julie was very kind on the phone, but it sounds as if their patience might be growing thin. I assured her we would do as much as possible to make it simple on their end, which is why I am requesting you create something in writing for these issues.

I am in the office until 3pm today and most of the morning tomorrow if you have questions.

-Richard

Br. Richard Crawford, OSB  
Staff Accountant, Abbey Business Office  
2900 Abbey Plaza



SAINT JOHN'S  
ABBEY

July 8, 2014

Father Finian McDonald, OSB  
c/o Price Memorial  
300 Forby Road  
P.O. Box 476  
Eureka, MO 63025-0476

Dear Finian:

Greetings from all of us in Collegeville! You can be sure that we thought of you on the Fourth of July, as we began the celebration in the back yard. Though the day started out cloudy and overcast, with a bit of drizzle at midday, by early afternoon the rain had blown away and it turned out to be a beautiful day. I am afraid that I showed my age on the volleyball court: slower moving and not much jump possible any more. But we had a great set of four games, with all of the students who are here for the monastic ESL program.

I want to make a few comments about some tight parameters regarding your finances. Money, of course, is not often a pleasant topic, especially in this situation. As I understand the current situation, *Saint John's can only provide \$45 a month and you must live within that budget. We may not send you additional funding for groceries or other expenses. Any money over \$45/month impacts the aid that you receive from the State of Missouri. And it creates problems for the Price Memorial and for the county. We can provide your cell phone and basic satellite service, which is currently being installed. Finally, you will not have a checking account at the Bank of Washington.*

I do hope that the satellite TV gives you good access to programming that makes your life richer, to both new and classic movies and other programming.

This morning we invested two novices, Aidan (Nathaniel) Putnam and Brad Rothrock, two great guys. On Thursday and Friday we will celebrate the Feast of Benedict, with Jerome Tupa and Julius observing their 50<sup>th</sup> anniversaries and Anthony Ruff his 25<sup>th</sup>. Be assured that we will hold you in prayer as try to do justice to God's generous grace to us as a community.

Blessings and peace,



Abbot John Klassen, OSB

cc: Ms. Julie Whitley  
Br. Richard Crawford, OSB

*Price Memorial*

300 Forby Road  
P.O. Box 476  
Eureka, Missouri 63025-0476



THANK YOU FOR DELIVERING THIS FAX PROMPTLY

TO Abbot John Klassen

Recipient's Fax Number \_\_\_\_\_

FROM PRICE MEMORIAL Julie Whitley, LSW

DATE 7/22/14

TIME 12:10

Number of Pages (including this cover sheet) 9

COMMENTS:

① please sign authorization for res. trust acct. - Finian refuses to sign & we opened an acct. for him - sort date! we will date prior to when acct. was opened.

② please sign other documents enclosed. I should have sent them way back, but got swamped. The therapy charges were handled by

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medical A already. Please fax back ASAP.

Thanks! Julie

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**Price Memorial  
Authorization For Resident Trust Account**

I, Finian R. McDonald (Admission #: \_\_\_\_\_), hereby authorize Price Memorial to hold, safeguard, manage and account for my personal funds which I have deposited with Price Memorial. This account will enable me to have cash available for incidental purchases and travel.

I understand that Price Memorial will deposit all funds in excess of \$50.00 in an interest bearing account with a local banking facility. This account is separate from Price Memorial's operating accounts, and all interest earned on my account will be credited to my account. My individual financial records will be made available to me or my legal guardian upon request. Price Memorial's Administrator or Social Service Director's signature is required on the bank signature card, and these individuals will be authorized to sign checks on the trust account.

My initial deposit is \$ \_\_\_\_\_.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Finian R. McDonald

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

X Abbot John Klassen, OSB  
Finian R. McDonald / Abbot John Klassen, OSB



UVANTA Pharmacy - St. Louis  
2067 Concourse Drive Saint Louis, MO 63146  
Ph: (314)373-1111 Fax: (314)373-1122

Facility: Price Memorial Resident: Robert McDonald

Responsible Party Form / Authorization to Send Medications

I agree to have UVANTA Pharmacy supply prescription and non-prescription medications, treatment items and other medical supplies to me (or resident as prescribed by a physician while residing at the above facility. I understand that UVANTA Pharmacy will bill Medicaid and other third party insurances when applicable and that I will be financially responsible for copayments and other charges not covered by these insurances. I understand that if the resident is eligible for Medicare, UVANTA Pharmacy will bill the facility directly for those charges when applicable. If no insurance is presented to UVANTA, I agree to pay in full, the charges incurred for the Resident upon receipt of the monthly statement date. Service charges of 1.5% per month will be assessed for any account 30 days past due.

I agree to notify UVANTA Pharmacy of any changes in insurance plans or insurance information, change in responsible party address, and telephone number that occur within 30 days of said change.

I agree that if I (resident) am discharged home that medications remaining will be sent home with me (resident), per facility protocol, in non-child proof containers and that I am waiving the right to counseling on those medications. I authorize UVANTA Pharmacy to bill my insurance for these medications and I guarantee payment for any and all charges not covered by insurance including any copayments.

I understand that UVANTA Pharmacy reserves the right to terminate medication provider services at any time due to issues of non-payment or partial payment. I also understand that UVANTA Pharmacy will automatically turn delinquent accounts over to a third party collection agency for any account 90-days or more past due.

Resident Information

Robert McDonald  
Name of Resident

X Robert McDonald  
Signature of Resident (if applicable)

Resident Social Security Number

12/23/1928  
Resident Date of Birth

Responsible Party Information

Robert John Klassen, OSB  
Name of Responsible Party

X  
Signature of Responsible Party

St. John's Abbey - Box 2015  
Address of Responsible Party

Collegeville, MD 56321  
City, State, Zip Code

Telephone Number of Responsible Party

Prescription Insurance Information:

Insurance Company Well Care

Group # \_\_\_\_\_

Card # \_\_\_\_\_

Medicaid # \_\_\_\_\_

Medicare # \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*Please include a photocopy of front and back of prescription drug card\*\***

<b>CREDIT CARD PAYMENT INFORMATION**OPTIONAL**</b>	
I authorize UVANTA Pharmacy to bill my credit card monthly for charges incurred by resident.	
MASTERCARD, VISA or DISCOVER accepted	
Name:	_____
Account #	_____
Expiration Date:	_____
CID #	_____
Signature:	_____

Please fax or mail a copy to UVANTA Pharmacy.

RPF 08/09

**Price Memorial  
Authorization For Physical Therapy Evaluation And Services**

I hereby authorize a physical therapy evaluation for Finian R. McDonald, # 1569.

I understand the charge will range from \$125 to \$150.

If a physical therapy treatment program is recommended by the physician, you will be contacted about authorizing further therapy.

*X Abbot John Klassen, OSB* 2/3/14  
Resident or Legal Representative Date

Verbal authorization received from Abbot John Klassen, OSB.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Staff Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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I hereby give my permission for Price Memorial to begin physical therapy services for Finian R. McDonald, # 1569.

*X Abbot John Klassen, OSB*  
Abbot John Klassen, OSB

2/3/14  
Date

Verbal authorization received from Abbot John Klassen, OSB.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Staff Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**Price Memorial  
Authorization For Occupational Therapy Evaluation And Services**

I hereby authorize an occupational therapy evaluation for Finian R. McDonald, # 1569.

I understand the charge is \$192.00.

If an occupational therapy treatment program is recommended by the physician, you will be contacted about authorizing further therapy.

*Abbot John Klassen, OSB* 2/3/14  
Resident or Legal Representative Date

Verbal authorization received from Abbot John Klassen, OSB.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Staff Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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I hereby give my permission for Price Memorial to begin occupational therapy services for Finian R. McDonald, # 1569.

*Abbot John Klassen, OSB*  
Abbot John Klassen, OSB

2/3/14  
Date

Verbal authorization received from Abbot John Klassen, OSB.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Staff Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**Price Memorial  
Admission Agreement**

In consideration for the shelter, care and services to be afforded Finian R. McDonald at Price Memorial, Finian R. McDonald agrees to pay the charges set forth in this Agreement and any additional charges for extra services, if applicable, subject to the following terms:

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1. Finian R. McDonald shall pay, or direct the person legally responsible for Finian R. McDonald, Abbot John Klassen, OSB, to pay the Per Diem Rate of ~~60~~ and charges incurred by Finian R. McDonald that are not covered by the Per Diem Rate by the tenth (10th) of the month following the month in which charges were incurred. If any of these billings are not paid as of the tenth (10th) of the month following the month in which the charges were incurred, Price Memorial shall deem the account delinquent and a 0.67% per month delinquency charge may be leveled against Finian R. McDonald's account.

If it is necessary to utilize a collection agency, Finian R. McDonald or Abbot John Klassen, OSB will be required to pay any cost, fees, and interest.

The Per Diem Rate covers room, meals, nursing services, medically related social services, certain social activities, and care and treatment ordered by a physician. All extra personal needs of Finian R. McDonald not regularly furnished as part of the Per Diem Rate shall be furnished by family or paid for as an extra charge. See Exhibit A attached hereto and incorporated herein which lists the items and services which are not included in the Per Diem Rate.

2. The Per Diem Rate is based upon Price Memorial's level of care charge structure and is subject to change. Finian R. McDonald and/or Abbot John Klassen, OSB will receive prior written notice of any such change.
3. Residents admitted to Price Memorial with certification pending under Title XIX Medicaid program will pay a deposit equal to one (1) month's stay at the semi-private room rate. This deposit, less appropriate deductions for resident surplus amounts and non-covered charges, will be refunded to Finian R. McDonald upon receipt of Form IM62 from the Missouri Division of Family Services.
4. During the absence of Finian R. McDonald for any reason, the regular charge herein shall apply until the room is released and all belongings are removed. Finian R. McDonald or Abbot John Klassen, OSB shall notify Price Memorial's Social Service Department regarding whether Finian R. McDonald's bed should be held, or whether Finian R. McDonald should be discharged. If notice is received, Finian R. McDonald's bed will automatically be held and charges will continue to accrue.

The State Medicaid Plan allows Residents twelve (12) days for therapeutic home leave every six (6) months, during which Finian R. McDonald will be permitted to return and resume residence in Price Memorial. If Finian R. McDonald is absent longer than the time allowed for therapeutic home leave, he will be readmitted to Price Memorial immediately upon the first availability of a bed in a semi-private room, provided Finian R. McDonald requires the services provided by Price Memorial, and is eligible for Medicaid nursing facility services.

5. The Administrator shall have the right to remove any Resident from Price Memorial, after appropriate notice, when in his judgment it is in the best interest of the other Residents, for medical reasons as defined by Finian R. McDonald's or Price Memorial's physician, or for failure to pay for his stay at Price Memorial.
6. The Administrator reserves the right to transfer Finian R. McDonald to a room other than the one initially assigned, or to transfer a new roommate into any assigned room, if necessary. Price Memorial shall promptly notify Finian R. McDonald, and if known, a family member or Abbot John Klassen, OSB of any proposed change in room or roommate, except in emergency situations or as otherwise required by Federal or State statute or regulation. All Residents will be placed in a room with another Resident unless arrangements have been made for a one (1) bedroom unit.
7. Any Resident, after admission to Price Memorial, who willfully destroys property, harrasses or disturbs other Residents to the extent that such conduct constitutes a nuisance, or threatens suicide, shall be considered to have breached the rules and regulations of Price Memorial, and may be subject to discharge after appropriate notice.
8. Finian R. McDonald or Abbot John Klassen, OSB who willfully misrepresents, intentionally conceals or omits material facts relating to eligibility for admission to Price Memorial may be discharged or dismissed from Price Memorial or denied admission to Price Memorial.
9. Price Memorial shall not be responsible for clothing, jewelry, money or other valuables retained by Finian R. McDonald. Valuables may be submitted to Price Memorial's Administrator or Social Service designee for safekeeping. Price Memorial will not be responsible for bridgework, false teeth, eyeglasses, prostheses or other like items retained by Finian R. McDonald while in Price Memorial. Price Memorial reserves the right to refuse to accept certain valuable items for safekeeping.
10. Upon Finian R. McDonald's departure, all belongings left by Finian R. McDonald shall be removed from Finian R. McDonald's room and held in safekeeping at Price Memorial for thirty (30) days. After thirty (30) days, the Administrator may dispose of such belongings.
11. Residents shall at no time possess any unauthorized drugs, medications, firearms or alcoholic beverages or bring said items into Price Memorial.
12. A copy of the Resident Rights and Responsibilities is attached hereto as Exhibit B and is incorporated herein by reference. Finian R. McDonald acknowledges having been fully informed, both orally and in writing, of his rights and responsibilities and agrees to the items therein. All Residents will be advised promptly in writing of any and all changes in the statement of Residents' Rights and Responsibilities.
13. If Finian R. McDonald is to be discharged from Price Memorial, Finian R. McDonald or Abbot John Klassen, OSB is to notify Price Memorial of discharge plans 10 days prior to Finian R. McDonald's discharge date. Failure to give Price Memorial proper notice will result in a charge to Finian R. McDonald's account equal to 10 days room & board at the current per diem rate for Finian R. McDonald's room.
14. All insurance cards are to be provided at time of admission. If this information is not provided at time of admission, Price Memorial cannot guarantee that coinsurance charges will be covered by the insurance company. Any charges not covered by the insurance company may be billed to the resident.

15. This Agreement shall be governed by and interpreted in accordance with the laws of the State of Missouri.

I, Finian R. McDonald/ Abbot John Klassen, OSB, have read and been informed of, understand and agree to all terms and conditions contained in the above Agreement, Resident Rights and Responsibilities and all other documents attached hereto and incorporated herein.

July 21, 2014  
Date

Finian R. McDonald  
Finian R. McDonald

Billing Address:  
Saint John's Abbey  
Collegeville MN 56321

X Abbot John Klassen, OSB

\*Please state relationship:

Legal Guardian  Attorney-in-Fact  Responsible Party

Judie Whittaker, LSW  
Witness

Social Service Director  
Price Memorial Staff

\*\* If Finian R. McDonald is on Medicare Part A: Billing as follows based on number of Medicare days available and medical eligibility of Finian R. McDonald. Day 1 - 20: Medicare pays full amount if no days used previously; Day 21 - 100: Finian R. McDonald is billed coinsurance \$152.00 per day, Medicare pays remainder.

**PRICE MEMORIAL**

**Payment Agreement For Medicaid Pending Residents**

(I) (WE) Finian R. McDonald/ Abbot John Klassen, OSB, agree to pay Price Memorial the amount of Finian R. McDonald's monthly Social Security amount, in addition to any monthly pension or other income amount, less \$45 personal spending allowance, and health insurance premiums, if applicable.

(I) (WE) Finian R. McDonald/ Abbot John Klassen, OSB understand that this amount is due to Price Memorial for the first full month of Finian R. McDonald's stay at Price Memorial, and due by the tenth of each month thereafter.

X Resident's Signature Finian R. McDonald

Date July 21, 2014

X Responsible Party's Signature Abbot John Klassen, OSB

Date \_\_\_\_\_

# Price Memorial

300 Forby Road  
P.O. Box 476  
Eureka, Missouri 63025-0476



THANK YOU FOR DELIVERING THIS FAX PROMPTLY

TO Abbot John Klassen

Recipient's Fax Number \_\_\_\_\_

FROM PRICE MEMORIAL Julie Whitley, LCSW

DATE 7/24/14

TIME 10:00

Number of Pages (including this cover sheet) 2

COMMENTS:

recent bank acct. activity  
for Fr. Finian

did you get my other fax &  
message from last afternoon?

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Jul. 22. 2014 2:19PM

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*acct #*

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Relationship	Date of Birth	Phone Number	Tax Identification
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Owner		*****	EIN *****
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None		*****	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None		*****	

ST JOSEPH'S HILL INFIRMARY INC  
 D/B/A PRICE MEMORIAL  
 F/B/O ROBERT McDONALD  
 PO BOX 476  
 EUREKA MO 63025-0476

Additional Relationships  
Tax Name: ST JOSEPH'S HILL INFIRMARY INC

**Account Classification**

Portfolio:	Responsibility Code:	[20112] NICHOLE F EVANS
Product: SAVINGS BUSINESS	Account Type Code:	[6] CORPORATION FOR NON-PROFIT
Accounting Branch: [1] BANK OF WASHINGTON	Employee Officer Director:	[0]

**Presentments**

No Presentments for Account

**Current & Previous Cycle**

Description	Debits	Credits	Date	Balance
Balance Forward:			Jun 11, 2014	\$0.00
Deposit		\$150.00	Jun 11, 2014	\$150.00
Deposit		\$450.00	Jul 08, 2014	\$600.00
TELEBANC DEPOSIT TRANSFER	\$468.49		Jul 09, 2014	\$131.51
OUT COMMERCIAL CHECKING			Jul 21, 2014	\$131.51
Balance This Statement:				\$131.51



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*Hello!*

*I wanted to send a special card to say  
Happy New Year! Hope you are enjoying  
this winter!*

*I'm thinking of you all!*

*My best to  
you,  
Finian*



*This card created with love and care as part of the  
activities at Lake Song Assisted Living.*

## **Abbot John Klassen's private account**

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**From:** McDonald, Finian  
**Sent:** Thursday, January 08, 2015 3:23 PM  
**To:** Abbot John Klassen's private account  
**Subject:** RE: blustery outside

I'm trying to type this with one hand so it will be short... Brennen just called me... a long and newsy conversation. He's been so good to me and for me in my journey to 'another land'. So you are two of the many gifts to begin the new year...that's awful about the car accident...not a good way to cap off a very serious and invasive surgery..I'm glad they are ok. ....I can just see the pissed off look on Damian's face...he really is one of our characters. My hand is healing ..the doctor is pleased..she says the rest is all up to me and the PT dept. I'm fortunate that everything is all under one roof...the weather is so frightful. I hear the work shop went well...were you pleased? God has been so good to me...I have been blessed with this place...they also love and value me..I pray for you all and still feel a part of the community ..in a new and different way...a way that does not have to be there...but in spirit and in connectiveness that you have to experience in order to understand...keep up the good work of serving us...prayers love and peace..finian

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**From:** Abbot John Klassen's private account  
**Sent:** Thursday, January 08, 2015 2:57 PM  
**To:** McDonald, Finian  
**Subject:** blustery outside

Finian, thanks for your note. Just received a call from [redacted], returning from Mayo after surgery on [redacted] vine. Either they were hit or they slid off the road – in any case, they are in the ditch off I-494. Both OK but the car must be a mess. [redacted] drove down to pick them up. I am sure Damian will not be amused. This kind of accident can happen so quickly. So pray for their well being.

All best and peace, +John

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**From:** McDonald, Finian  
**Sent:** Monday, January 05, 2015 2:22 PM  
**To:** Abbot John Klassen's private account  
**Subject:**

After thought....I like talking to you....God bless

## **Abbot John Klassen's private account**

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**From:** Lonna Schmidtbauer  
**Sent:** Friday, January 23, 2015 9:35 AM  
**To:** Abbot John Klassen's private account  
**Subject:** RE: visiting Finian this late afternoon...

I am sorry I was out of the office with a sick child yesterday. I hope you were able to get all the information you needed. On my end he is very pleasant and we love having him here with us he is a real joy. The only concern I have is the issue with his collecting of items especially plants. I have been working with him on this because we do not want him to trip on them, but I feel that this is something that we are making progress with him and we can help him control the amount of plants he has in his room. I spoke with him this morning and he said he had a nice visit with you. If there are any concerns or questions on your end please feel free to call me at any time.

Thank you,  
Lonna Schmidtbauer, Housing Manager  
Lake Song Assisted Living  
206 North Elm Street  
Onamia, MN 56359

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**From:** Abbot John Klassen's private account [mailto:  
**Sent:** Thursday, January 22, 2015 11:14 AM  
**To:** Lonna Schmidtbauer  
**Subject:** visiting Finian this late afternoon...

Hello Lonna,

I am visiting Finian this afternoon to review his Safety Plan with him. I am expecting to arrive at Lake Song about 3:00 PM – any chance we could have a brief conversation for the sake of update? +John

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**Abbot John Klassen's private account**

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**From:** Abbot John Klassen's private account  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 28, 2015 11:00 AM  
**To:** 'Lonna Schmidtbauer'  
**Subject:** green light for visitor to FM tomorrow

Lonna,

Thank you for your email last Friday. I was coming up to Onamia on a short notice and was hoping to chat, even briefly. However, your email is helpful to me, to reassure me that this arrangement is working well.

I have given FM a green light to welcome his nephew Bob tomorrow and for them to go to lunch a local eatery.

Again, thank you for your gracious work with FM.

Peace, +John

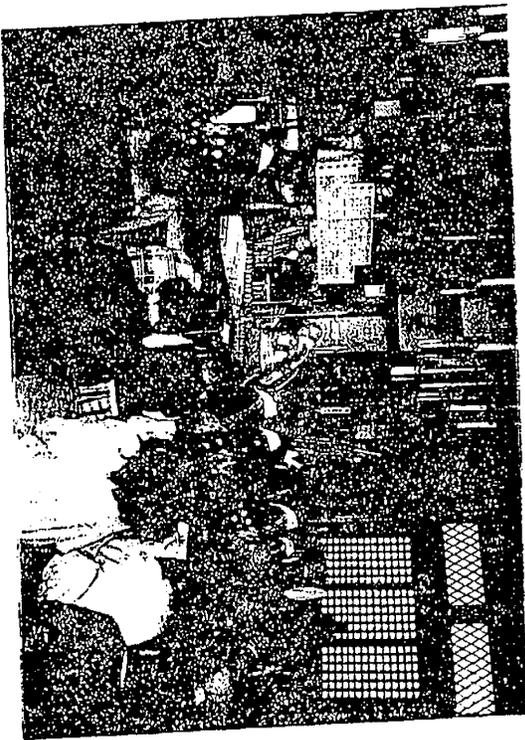
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1)

Taken at Orchid  
Show at Tokyo Dome!  
In the "flower" in blue

2)

one of my  
better snaps -

3)

"Liturgy at the local church"  
about to be seen reading his  
brother and sister in prayer -

4)

Feb. 24<sup>th</sup>  
Empress Shawa joining for  
his last ride

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GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20007

Aug 5<sup>th</sup>

Dear Father Abbot,

Not a long letter, just a note to Ray Lello and tell you  
a bit of news about my summer. I'm enrolled in the second year  
of an eight week workshop on mental health. It is conducted  
by the Georgetown Dept. of Psychiatry. This inter mediate year is  
much more advanced than last summer. on Monday and Friday we  
have seminars and supervised counseling and sessions with  
our psychiatrist. I've through them we have field work - this year  
my field work has been counseling in a home for un-married  
mothers, assigned to a staff on the psychiatric floor of the D.C.  
General Hospital, a half-way house for teenage delinquents, and  
in the community counseling office. It's a range of exposure  
and experience which will hopefully make me more effective  
with our college students. The program is limited to twelve  
religions who are involved with high school or college counseling.  
We work hard but the weekends are free. The other week  
I drove up to New York. Spent a few days at St. Anselms and

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was as much of dead wood as time would allow. Fr. Jerome had a big dinner the Sunday I was there - Not for me but for Bishop Leonard from the Bahamas was there on a begging tour in New York. Father Caspar was also there so we had a wonderful evening of talk and we managed to solve many of the worlds problems

The Georgetown Jesuits were quite upset when Spongars Provincial left. Recently the State has resolved around the Pope and the birth control letter. Many of the priests in Washington are up in arms. The Bishop of Washington had a letter read in all the churches this Sunday - many of the priests refused to read it. I certainly hope this is an aspect ~~of~~ of a healthy climate in the Church but one wonders...

Comfrans write me that many have decided to change their name back to their original first name. I guess I will hold on to Finian. Joe had it for so long I rather like it. Hope everything is fine with you, Father Abbott. Enjoy the summer. My season here ends the 16th of August so if my money holds out I should fly back to Bejevalle on the 16th of August. My best to you and pray for Finian - Love

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Missionary Monk Holy Trinity Priory Fujimi, Japan	1999 (January 26 – June 30)
Sacristy and barbering Saint John's Abbey	1999 - present

**COMMUNITY SERVICE AND EXPERIENCES OF LEADERSHIP:**

Head Barber

St. John's Abbey                      1963 - present

Assistant Sacristan

St. John's Abbey                      1992 - present

**INTERESTS OR HOBBIES**

Gardening

Environmental Design and Decorations

Flower Arrangement

Bicycling

Clowning

Resident Abbey Humorist

**AWARDS**

**SOME DAY I WOULD LIKE TO HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO:**

**MY MAIN ASPIRATION OR FAVORITE DREAM IN LIFE IS TO:**

**SOME SIGNIFICANT PERSONAL GROWTH EXPERIENCES ARE:**