UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT DISTRICT OF MINNESOTA

In re:	Chapter 11
CROSIER FATHERS AND BROTHERS PROVINCE, INC., a Minnesota non-profit corporation,	Case No. 17-41681
Debtor.	
In re:	
CROSIER FATHERS OF ONAMIA, a Minnesota non-profit corporation,	Case No. 17-41682
Debtor.	
In re:	
THE CROSIER COMMUNITY OF PHOENIX, an Arizona non-profit corporation,	Case No. 17-41683
Debtor.	

NOTICE OF THE TIME FOR TIMELY FILING PROOFS OF CLAIM RELATING TO, OR ARISING FROM, SEXUAL ABUSE

THIS IS AN IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING ALL SEXUAL ABUSE CLAIMS AGAINST THE ABOVE-NAMED ENTITIES THAT ARE COMMONLY REFERRED TO AS THE CROSIERS—YOUR RIGHTS MAY BE AFFECTED

TO ALL PERSONS WITH CLAIMS ARISING FROM SEXUAL ABUSE FOR WHICH THE CROSIERS MAY BE LIABLE:

DECEMBER 15, 2017 IS THE LAST DATE TO TIMELY FILE PROOFS OF CLAIM FOR SEXUAL ABUSE

The Crosier Fathers and Brothers Province, Inc., Crosier Fathers of Onamia, and The Crosier Community of Phoenix (collectively, the "**Debtors**") each filed a Chapter 11 reorganization case on June 1, 2017, in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Minnesota (the "**Court**"). Numerous individuals have asserted sexual abuse claims against the Debtors. Such claims allege sexual abuse by priests and others connected with the schools or other institutions where the Crosiers ministered. Any person who believes that he or she has, or may have, a claim against the Debtors arising from sexual abuse as that term is defined in Minnesota Statutes § 541.073(1), molestation, rape, undue familiarity, sexually-related physical, psychological or emotional harm, or contacts or interactions of a sexual nature between a child

and an adult, or a non-consenting adult and another adult for which such persons believe that one or more of the Debtors may be liable should carefully read this notice.

YOU SHOULD CONSULT AN ATTORNEY IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, INCLUDING WHETHER YOU SHOULD FILE A PROOF OF CLAIM.

LAST DATE FOR TIMELY CLAIM FILING

The Court entered an order (the "**Proof of Claim Deadline Order**") in the Chapter 11 reorganization cases of the Debtors setting <u>December 15, 2017</u> (the "**Proof of Claim Deadline**") as the last date by which Proofs of Claim may be filed against the Debtors.

WHO MUST FILE A PROOF OF CLAIM

If you believe that you have a claim relating to sexual abuse, you should file a Confidential Proof of Claim to maintain and preserve any claims that you have against one or more of the Debtors. Even if you have already filed a lawsuit against one or more of the Debtors alleging sexual abuse prior to June 1, 2017, you should still file a Confidential Proof of Claim Form to maintain and preserve your rights in the Debtors' Chapter 11 cases.

WHO SHOULD NOT FILE A PROOF OF CLAIM

You should **not** file a Proof of Claim if:

- Your claim has already been paid in full.
- You hold a claim that has been allowed by an order of the Court on or before the Proof of Claim Deadline.

YOU SHOULD NOT FILE A PROOF OF CLAIM IF YOU DO NOT HAVE A CLAIM AGAINST ANY OF THE DEBTORS OR THE CROSIERS.

WHAT TO FILE

YOU MUST FILE A CONFIDENTIAL PROOF OF CLAIM ON THE FORM THAT ACCOMPANIES THIS NOTICE.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILLING OUT THE PROOF OF CLAIM FORM

You must complete the entire Confidential Proof of Claim form that accompanies this notice.

For additional copies of the Confidential Proof of Claim form: (a) photocopy the Confidential Proof of Claim form; (b) contact the Debtors' attorneys at (520) 770-8766; (c) visit the Debtors' website at: www.crosier.org; or (d) visit the website of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Minnesota at www.mmb.uscourts.gov.

Please note that the Court's Clerk staff is not permitted to give legal advice. You should consult your own attorney for assistance regarding such inquiries.

WHEN AND WHERE TO FILE

A signed original of a completed Tort Claimant's Confidential Proof of Claim form must be delivered or mailed to the address below so as to be <u>actually received</u> no later than 5:00 p.m. (Central Time), on <u>December 15, 2017</u> by:

Office of the Clerk of Court Attention: Grace U.S. Bankruptcy Court District of Minnesota 301 U.S. Courthouse 300 South Fourth Street Minneapolis, MN 55415

If you are returning the Confidential Proof of Claim form by mail, allow sufficient mailing time so that the Confidential Proof of Claim form is received on or before 5:00 p.m. (Central Time) on December 15, 2017. Confidential Proofs of Claim forms that are postmarked before that date, but are received by the Clerk of Court after that date, will be considered late. **Please note that Confidential Proof of Claim forms submitted by facsimile or e-mail will not be accepted.** Also please note that if you are going to personally deliver the Confidential Proof of Claim to the Clerk's office or have someone deliver it on your behalf, the filing window is only open on Court days until 5:00 p.m. Central Time, and you may need to arrive at the Clerk's office earlier due to wait times in order for your Confidential Proof of Claim to be timely filed.

CONSEQUENCES OF FAILURE TO FILE A PROOF OF CLAIM

There may be consequences for failing to file a claim. Please consult your attorney.

CONFIDENTIALITY

The Court has determined that filed Confidential Proofs of Claim will remain **confidential** unless you elect otherwise in Part 1 of the Confidential Proof of Claim form. Therefore, the Confidential Proof of Claim you file will not be available to the general public but will be kept confidential, except that the information may be provided, under Court-approved guidelines, to the Debtors and the attorneys for their insurers, attorneys for the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors and its members, the future claims representative appointed in these Chapter 11 cases, and such other persons as the Court determines should have the information in order to evaluate the claim, all of whom will agree to keep the information provided by you **confidential**.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Attached are the names of the schools and communities of the Debtors as they existed from time to time. If you need additional information regarding the schools and communities as they existed from time to time, you can obtain that information by calling the Debtors at (520) 770-8766. If you have questions or want information about the Debtors' reorganization, you can call counsel for the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors at (612) 335-1407.

SCHOOLS AND COMMUNITIES OF THE DEBTORS

Schools Operated by the Crosiers:

Crosier Seminary Onamia, MN Novitiate at Onamia Onamia, MN Novitiate at St. Odilia Shoreview, MN Sacred Heart Seminary Fort Wayne, IN Crosier House of Studies Fort Wayne, IN Our Lady of the Lake Seminary Syracuse, IN Wawasee Preparatory School Syracuse, IN Crosier House of Studies/Crosier Monastery Hasting, NE

Other Schools Related to the Crosiers:

Catholic Theological Union Chicago, IL
St. John's School of Theology Collegeville, MN
Archbishop Stepinac High School White Plains, NY

Communities:

Crosier Community of Phoenix Phoenix, AZ Crosier Community of Onamia Onamia, MN Crosier Fathers of Shoreview Shoreview, MN Crosier Fathers of Anoka Anoka, MN Crosier Community of St. Cloud St. Cloud, MN Crosier Community of St. Paul St. Paul, MN Crosier Fathers of Fort Wayne Fort Wayne, IN Crosier Community of Wawasee Syracuse, IN Crosier Community of Riverview Riverview, MI Crosier Community of Kalamazoo Kalamazoo, MI Crosier Community of Beallsville Beallsville, MD Crosier Community of Cottonport Cottonport, LA Crosier Fathers of Hastings Hastings, NE Crosier Community of Chicago Chicago, IL

Crosier Fathers of New York New Rochelle, NY

White Plains, NY New York City, NY