

March 14, 2022

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Dear Cardinal Gregory:

As the Archbishop of the Archdiocese of Washington (ADW) you are the Good Shepherd and thus, in Imitation of Christ, to be a servant unto your clergy and laity. As a priest who has faithfully lived out our clerical promise to live a celibate life I have a few questions about you and your past. It is credibly reported that you participated in homosexual relations with both the late Cardinal Bernadine and the now disgraced and dismissed Cardinal McCarrick. Are there other Cardinals, Archbishops, bishops, priests, deacons or laity with whom you have enjoyed homosexual relations? I ask this question of you because I am a Washingtonian who is fed up with the continuing cover-ups, half-truths, outright lies and corruption which have been and are now ongoing in the leadership of my home Archdiocese. Tens of thousands of our once faithful Catholics have discontinued attending Mass on any regular basis. They are disgusted at ADW's lies and half-truths. "Irate" is the most common word they use to express their own view of and toward you, and your two immediate predecessors, both Cardinal Wuerl and Cardinal McCarrick. I ask you to address your own sexual predation and activities in an honest manner. I am certain your loving parents taught you that honesty is the best policy.

As a man of God, as a leading Cardinal here in the United States, I personally believe you need to come clean and publicly express your own sorrow toward your past homosexual activities with other Catholic Cardinals, bishops, priests or laity. Our ancient tradition to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation and absolution, and to move forward in life without repeating the same sexual sins or other sins is a beautiful opportunity for all of us as sinners to renounce Satan and his evils. Homosexuality has destroyed the faith of tens of millions of Roman Catholics here in the United States. Our annual Mass attendance and Sacramental records for many years continue to sustain this evil destruction of our one holy catholic and apostolic church. I pray you will humbly acknowledge your own past habitual homosexual relations and publicly express your sincere heartfelt sorrow for your own leadership in the ongoing and decades old cover-up regarding the tens of thousands of American priests, bishops and Cardinals, whose homosexual promiscuity has wrought the greatest destruction of the Roman Catholic Faith in the entire history of the Catholic Church in America.

I have come to learn that you most certainly are NOT the only one of our six Cardinals here in the Archdiocese of Washington. Two of our Cardinals apparently were NOT homosexuals. They are Cardinal O'Boyle and Cardinal Hickey. However the late Cardinal Baum was homosexual and even had his homosexual lover during his decades spent in Rome. In addition, it is well documented that Cardinal McCarrick was a horrendous homosexual predator for 50 years. How he got away with his hundreds if not thousands of homosexual activities around the world remains a serious question which merits more detailed reviews and investigations. Cardinal Wuerl is not known to be sexually promiscuous but he truly and quite professionally covered up for Cardinal McCarrick. Did Cardinal Wuerl ever know about your own homosexual activities and cover up? I ask you because I think you would know. And now with you, as the Cardinal of the Archdiocese of Washington, are you finally going to be the one Cardinal of Washington who will humbly acknowledge his own sinfulness and your homosexual sexual relationships with other Roman Catholic clergy? I sure hope so! I pray you will pray, reflect upon, and truthfully be very frank and honest with yourself and our one almighty and just God. Please pray and then pray more.

I also have one other question to raise. Last Summer the former secretary to Cardinal Wuerl, Fr Adam Park was swiftly flown out of Rome and back to WASHINGTON. Three young adult seminarians at the widely respected North American College Seminary (NAC) in Rome credibly accused Fr Adam Park with hitting on them for homosexual relations. All three of these young adult seminarians reported this back here in the USA and filed a suit. Cardinal I understand Fr Adam Park is residing at a rectory in upper NW DC. Is this true? Is Fr Adam Park

celebrating Masses and providing the Sacraments? He has been enjoying his sexual predation upon vulnerable young men even as he served Cardinal Wuerl. Have you initiated the process required to dismiss Fr Adam Park from the priesthood? He is a McCarrick in the making and a predator who one day will be caught, prosecuted, tried and convicted and neither you as our Archbishop nor our Archdiocese will have any credibility in the public square. What are you waiting for? Do you support homosexual predation and the homosexual predators? I hope not!

Fr Adam Park needs to be permanently removed from the priesthood. This is common sense. Yet you have done nothing to initiate the process of removing Fr Adam Park. Why? Does Fr Adam Park have too much filth on you, Cardinal Wuerl and the disgraced Cardinal McCarrick? I am very confident you will take this letter very, very seriously. Washington remains the epicenter of the ongoing Sex Crisis in the Catholic Church across America.

I have written this very serious letter as a document to be added to my sixty year old records regarding the ongoing and continuing Sex Abuse Scandal here throughout the Archdiocese of Washington. My own records include four other US Cardinals, two Archbishops, four bishops and about 20 priests. I have names of actual predators and another group of clergy whom I believe never harmed a child or participated in homosexual relations, but still were involved in the ongoing decades old cover-ups conducted here throughout the Archdiocese of Washington.

Cardinal Gregory, I hope you will own up to your influential efforts to deny, cover-up and ultimately destroy our once credible and well respected Roman Catholic Church in America. I will close with this very tragic story. There was a young girl who loved our Lord and whose parents were strong in their faith. She was befriended by an associate priest. He raped her and finally in great shame and deep sorrow she told her parents who would not believe her because priests were holy men. The parents and girl spoke to the pastor. He said this accusation was a total lie and told them not to say a thing and their daughter was lying. The parents told her to remain quiet. She then killed herself. A young girl's life was lost to the predatorial sexual abuse of a so called holy priest. To my knowledge there were no consequences to this priest's behavior. In closing here is my question and I ask you to answer it correctly in accordance with our ancient Church teachings. Here is my question:

Which has greater value according to our ancient Church teachings...

The combined and total financial value of all our Archdiocese's real estate holdings, land rights, air rights, artwork, apartment buildings, stocks, bonds, derivatives, cash, land leases, rental properties, etc...Or, the value of that girl's life lost to evil? What does our Church teach...? I believe our Church teaches that the value of that one vulnerable and suffering girl's life and its loss has a greater value in the eyes of God than all of Mammoth's material treasures and toys. I pray you agree with my own answer. I expect you do agree. Thank God!

Where do you go from here? I understand there is a very powerful group of Cardinals, Archbishops and bishops and priests here in the USA known by the nickname, The Roman Mafia. I would bet if the older members of your Mafia would experience and desire a change of heart inside themselves, that we can one day have a better Church. Cardinal, please ask your fellow gay bishops and priests to be willing and stoop down and begin to rebuild and strengthen our new Church.

May God bless you and your fellow bishops and priests and may God bless us all. AMEN.



(Rev.) Michael Briese

November 24, 2022

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Re: Archdiocese of Washington Clerical Sexual Predators/Ongoing Systemic Cover-up

Dear Ms Embry and Mr Wolf:

I have spoken a couple of times per phone with Mr David Lorenz with SNAP. He strongly encouraged me to speak with you regarding the past and ongoing sexual predation and cover-up here in the Archdiocese of Washington. I have the names of some priests whom in the past were sexual abusers of minors. In addition, the most recent was Fr Adam Park, a former secretary to the now disgraced Cardinal Wuerl.

Another matter concerns a 13 yr old girl who was raped by a parish priest in Clinton Maryland in the mid- 1970s. I have the names of both pastors and both were child molesters. One had died and the other was later tried, convicted, served a brief sentence and was released and died. He is on the Archdiocesan List of Sexual Abusers. I have the names of the pastors and assistant pastors there in the 1970s but am not quite clear on who served in what years. The raped girl killed herself. I cannot prove this, but the pastor told her parents she was lying. I guess the parents told her she had to be quiet and say nothing. Sooner than later, she committed suicide. She was a graduate of the 8th Grade from that Parish School. Her picture should be on the Graduate Class picture. I have not tried to go into the school to look at the Graduate Class pictures. This is but a brief summary.

Again in the 1970s two 13 or 14 year old boys were molested by the pastor at St Mary Parish, Newport located in a once rural parish. It is located on St Mary Church Rd, Charlotte Hall, MD 20622. That is a mailing address. However, physically this parish is closer and only 9 miles from La Plata off of Rt 301. From 1956 to 1986 this parish was administered by Fr Gerard Cole and Fr. J. Kelly Reese. One summer Fr Gerard Cole molested at least two boys. One now lives in Florida and rarely returns home. The other I know personally and he has gone through his own long unwinding suffering resulting from this horrendous experience. One man's sexual pleasure was a lifetime of suffering by the other. I have asked this victim's wife who once worked at law firms to ask him to speak with your staff. The noted couple are now retired and living outside Maryland. I will let you know.

I look forward to working with you. It is decades late and a tragedy this self-inflicted Sexual Abuse Cover-up continues here in our own Archdiocese of Washington. The continuous cover-up is the ongoing cover-ups, public deception and payoffs. I am a Washingtonian and this is not my great Church. I want to help open the window to get some fresh air circulating here throughout ADW. Right now, the cover-up persists. It is very sad! We still have clergy who are guilty of being sexual molesters, rapists and adulterers. Our Church has already failed its peoples. I hope we can work together. Thank you. Peace.



Rev. Michael Briese

August 14, 2023

Captain Amy Daum
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Re: Fr Adam Park, Accused Sexual Predator/Priest/Archdiocese of Washington

Dear Captain Daum:

Please make time to review all the enclosed documents. Some of these matters took place outside the State of Maryland and Montgomery County and your MCPD District 2. However, our MCPD needs to know what is now in their midst.

Please read the announcement in a recent edition of The Catholic Standard, a Archdiocese of Washington newspaper. It includes the new assignment of Fr Adam Park. Adam is a homosexual predator. He had NOT been an active priest with his own assignment since July/August 2021, when In December, 2022, Cardinal Wilton Gregory returned Fr Adam Park to active priesthood. Thousands of dollars have been spent to keep Fr Adam Park out of sight and out of mind. In July, 2023 Cardinal Wilton Gregory tried to assign Fr Adam Park as an Administrator/Pastor at St Paul Parish in Damascus. MD. However, there are many folks in law enforcement in that area and they must have found out about Fr Adam Park's sexual predation and somehow forced the Cardinal to rescind his order of Assignment of Fr Adam Park to St Paul Parish in Damascus MD. This is extremely rare! I have no idea just HOW the parishioners forced the hand of the Cardinal! That really is an achievement! As such, Cardinal Wilton Gregory has assigned Fr Adam Park to be the Catholic Chaplain at Suburban Hospital in your District 2.

Can a priest who is a credibly accused homosexual predator (though NOT tried or convicted) be assigned as a clergyman to minister to any "vulnerable populations" in either Montgomery County or in the entire State of Maryland? I would hope such laws already exist to protect vulnerable populations such as students, athletes, adults with disabilities, our older and elderly citizens and even institutionalized populations. However, I do NOT know for certain whether such laws are in place and enforced in Maryland and Montgomery County. I must leave this question up to you to find the correct legal answer.

Captain Daum, you have the enclosed information. What I hope you and the appropriate staff will do, is to become more keenly aware of Fr. Adam Park's assignment and participation over at Suburban Hospital. Should anything happen, expect no cooperation from the Archdiocese of Washington. They are excellent at spinning, PR and their legal staff are top quality. I have given you this information because the homosexual predation and denials of past rapes continue. Less than two weeks ago I found out about a man, who was less than 10 years old when his pastor raped him. His entire adult life has been filled with immense miseries. Some boys raped by priests in the past have killed themselves most often through alcoholism and/or drug abuse.

Some simply shot themselves dead! This is a horrendous evil in our modern Catholic Church and society.

I am a priest who seeks to serve the least among us. I do NOT view this sexual abuse evil as being acceptable. I compare it to murder. Yes! Murder always has been with humanity, but that is NOT rationale for us, or society at large to accept murder as anything but evil. Often when a boy or young man is raped by a priest his body lives on, but his heart, mind and spirit were killed. His life all too often becomes a miserable existence without purpose. He is a dead man walking.

I pray you and your staff will review the enclosed and understand that all I ask is that your Staff keep up your radar on Fr Adam Park. It is crimes waiting to happen. My best to you,
Peace and blessings,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Michael W. Briese".

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Captain Amy Daum
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Dear Captain Daum,

I received a copy of the August 14, 2023 letter you received from Father Michael Briese regarding the danger Father Adam Park poses to vulnerable adults as a Catholic Chaplain at Suburban Hospital in Bethesda, Maryland. Park was ordained a priest of the Archdiocese of Washington by ex-Cardinal Theodore McCarrick and later served as priest-secretary to disgraced Cardinal Donald Wuerl before being named the vice-rector of the North American College (NAC) in Rome where he was accused of sexually harassing and preying upon vulnerable adult seminarians.

After speaking with former NAC seminarians and priests, some of whom have submitted sworn affidavits about Father Park in an ongoing lawsuit in New York Superior Court, I concur with Father Briese about the concerns he raised in his letter. In a June 2021 affidavit, Mr. Kenneth McCabe, a former FBI Special Agent in Charge (SAC) affirmed that he found evidence and numerous witnesses "entirely credible" in support of the allegations against Park in both Rome and Washington, D.C.

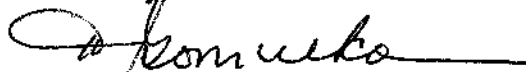
In May of 2002 I expressed a similar concern in writing about another priest of the Washington Archdiocese, Father John "Matt" Lee. My report about Father Lee's predatory behavior was covered up by Church officials just like Father Briese's concerns about Father Park are being ignored. When Father Lee was arrested and charged in 2007 with aggravated assault, sodomy, and failure to inform sex partners that he was HIV positive, Lee's superiors failed to mention reports they received about sexual misconduct on Lee's part. After serving a two year prison sentence, Lee was arrested again in 2014 and is currently serving a 30-year sentence in Petersburg Federal Correctional Institution (FCI). Had my 2002 report been acted upon by officials of the Archdiocese for the Military Services and the Archdiocese of Washington, many minors and vulnerable adults could have escaped Lee's predatory behavior. I regret that I did not provide a copy of my 2002 report to civil authorities which might have prompted church officials to act.

Monsignor Francis B. McCaa was a priest who was accused of predatory behavior and who was transferred to work at the VA Medical Center in Clarksburg, West Virginia. Named in the Pennsylvania Grand Jury and labeled in the media as a "sexual monster," McCaa was also alleged to have been sexually abusing VA patients who were truly vulnerable adults.

While Father Briese wished to remind you of the threat Father Park may pose, allow me to remind you that "criminal omission" is a prosecutable offense when a person in a supervisory position fails to act when he or she is in a position to do so. If Father Park is later charged and arrested like Father Lee was arrested after church officials were duly warned of the clear and present danger he posed, you may wish to share this communication with the District Attorney who may consider charging Cardinal Gregory with criminal omission.

Thank you for your attention given to this matter.

Sincerely,



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CC: Father Michael Briese

January 20, 2025

His Eminence Wilton Cardinal Gregory
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Your Eminence,

A Virginia Beach parishioner of St. John the Apostle Church reported how his pastor was removed from his parish by Richmond Bishop Barry Knestout for failing to report an accused parishioner to him and the Safe Environment Coordinator even though the alleged abuse did not take place on church or school grounds, nor was the abuse ever reported to him by the victim, the predator, or any member of his parish. While the Virginia Beach pastor was removed for failing to report a parishioner accused in the media of abuse, you removed my faculties and threatened me with laicization not for failing to report abuse, but for reporting abuse allegations involving Fathers Adam Park and Carter Griffin that I came across in the media and in court documents. I never would have written about these abuse allegations had either of the priests been investigated in keeping with the protocols set forth in the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People. The former seminarians from the North American College and St. John Paul II Seminary who allege being preyed upon by Fathers Park and Griffin were never interviewed by the Archdiocese of Washington to ascertain the credibility of the accusations against the two Washington priests. The sworn testimonies found in the court documents were already found credible by a former Special Agent in Charge of the FBI.

This is not the first time a priest of the Washington Archdiocese was not removed from ministry after being accused of sexual misconduct with minors or vulnerable adults. In 2002 Monsignor Eugene Gomulka received a report that Washington priest, Father John "Matt" Lee, was involved in a homosexual relationship with a sailor in Pearl Harbor. When Gomulka shared this information with then-Archbishop Edwin O'Brien, the head of the Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA, O'Brien should have contacted then-Cardinal Theodore McCarrick to discuss an investigation into the allegations. With tragic consequences, no investigation by O'Brien or McCarrick was undertaken in the case of Lee, nor has there been an investigation of the allegations involving Park and Griffin. Just as my faculties were withdrawn for addressing clerical sexual predation and homosexual misconduct, so too did O'Brien not only withdraw the ecclesiastical endorsement of Gomulka, but, as reported in the National Catholic Reporter, O'Brien also revoked the endorsement of U.S. Air Force Chaplain, Dominican Father Thomas Doyle, who was "critical of church leaders for tolerating clergy sex abuse." When Doyle returned to the Washington, D.C. area from his Air Force Base in Germany, McCarrick refused him faculties as I have been refused now for over three years.

Five years after Gomulka reported Lee in his report dated May 6, 2002, Lee was arrested in 2007 and charged with conduct unbecoming an officer, aggravated assault, sodomy, and failure to inform sex partners that he was HIV positive. When contacted by the media, O'Brien lied by misleading reporters into believing he was not warned five years earlier about Lee's behavioral problems. Further, O'Brien's successor, Archbishop Timothy Broglio, also lied by writing in a letter dated September 17, 2019 that Gomulka wrote O'Brien about "Lee's probable homosexual orientation" and not his homosexual behavior which can easily be disproven by reading the letters and emails between Gomulka, O'Brien, and Auxiliary Bishop Jack Kaising at that time. As the record shows, Gomulka's concerns about Lee's behavior that were covered up by O'Brien, McCarrick, and Kaising were validated by the fact that Lee is currently serving a 30-year sentence in the Federal Correctional Institution in Petersburg, VA.

How many Naval Academy [Midshipmen at Annapolis and Marines at Quantico](#) might have been prevented from being sexually abused by Lee when he was HIV-positive had O'Brien and McCarrick not covered up Gomulka's report? If Park or Griffin were arrested in the future and charged like Lee with abusing vulnerable adults, would you and any successor lie like O'Brien and Broglio by leading victims and the media to believe that the Archdiocese had no knowledge of past sexual misconduct on their part?

You have ordered me "to make appropriate amends to those whom you have calumniated in your writings, by publicly retracting any accusations or implications of immorality or sexual or official misconduct that you have made or repeated against the persons mentioned in your writings." If I were to do so, I would be guilty of participating in a cover-up of reported sexual predation and misconduct that has never been investigated in keeping with Church protocols. Attached you will find court documents and other correspondence accusing Fathers Park and Griffin of the misconduct addressed in my writings.

There are two young people, a 10-year-old boy and a 13-year-old girl, whom I learned about from the people I serve who committed suicide after having been sexually abused by priests assigned to two different parishes. Both sexual assaults in the mid-70s were covered up by the late Cardinal William Baum. I was also informed of two former seminarians, Karl, a heterosexual, and Jonathan, a homosexual, who reported to an investigator that they were sexually harassed by Griffin. Knowing of these reports, would I not be in violation of the Safe Environment directives of the archdiocese if I were to remain quiet and not raise them with you as I have? If you do not act on these reports as O'Brien and McCarrick did not act on Gomulka's report about Lee, might you not be opening yourself up to a [Vos Estis Lux Mundi](#) investigation?

At my age, and because of my health which has deteriorated as a result of the emotional stress and isolation I have experienced over the past three years, I request to be medically retired like any priest of the archdiocese who is physically incapable of exercising a public ministry. If your successor wishes, and if my health allows it, I would be happy to fill in on weekends for priests in need of support.

Please review the attached documentation and act in keeping with protocols set forth in the [Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People](#) which are designed to address "allegations of sexual abuse of minors and vulnerable adults."

Sincerely in Christ,



(Rev.) Michael Briese

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Encl: [Discher/McLaughlin letter to Nuncio](#)
Links to Court Documents



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Dear Father Briese:

I hope that this letter finds you well.

In the email message that you sent on 20 January 2025 to His Eminence, Wilton Cardinal Gregory, lately the Archbishop and now the Apostolic Administrator of the Archdiocese of Washington, you made the following statement:

There are two young people, a 10-year-old boy and a 13-year-old girl, whom I learned about from the people I serve who committed suicide after having been sexually abused by priests assigned to two different parishes. Both sexual assaults in the mid-70s were covered up by the late Cardinal William Baum.

This is a briefer version of what you said in one of your blog posts, "Culture of Denial," posted on 4 October 2024:

I myself was at first shocked to learn about a 13 year old girl raped by a pastoral associate and a 10 year old boy raped by a pastor back in the 1970s. Both of these priests who raped these innocent vulnerable and trusting children died and never faced public accountability, criminal charges or prison time....

To date these two cases of clerical child sexual abuse go unacknowledged. As a result of their clerical rapes these two kids killed themselves....

I remind you that as a priest, you are bound by canonical and legal obligations to report the sexual abuse of minors both to the Archdiocese and to the civil authorities.

The Holy Father's Motu Proprio *Vos Estis Lux Mundi* (2023), art. 3, §1, states:

Except for when a cleric learns of information during the exercise of ministry in the internal forum, whenever a cleric ... learns, or has well-founded motives to believe, that one of the acts referred to in art. 1 [a delict against the sixth commandment of the Decalogue committed with a minor or with a person who habitually has imperfect use of reason or with a vulnerable adult] has been

committed, that person is obliged to report it promptly to the local Ordinary where the events are said to have occurred....

In addition to making a report to the Ordinary as a priest, the laws of the State of Maryland require anyone who suspects abuse of a minor to make a report to the civil authorities. I refer you to our *Safe Environment Policy for the Protection of Minors and Vulnerable Adults*. The complete text of the policy is available on the Archdiocese's web site. It states, at III(A):

It is Archdiocesan policy to report all allegations of suspected abuse or neglect of a minor to the appropriate civil authorities. *Under the laws of both the State of Maryland and the District of Columbia, anyone who suspects abuse or neglect of a minor is a mandatory reporter.* This means that all Archdiocesan clergy, seminarians, employees, and volunteers who have reason to suspect the abuse or neglect of a minor must immediately make a report to the appropriate civil authorities and make a report to the Archdiocese.... (Emphasis added.)

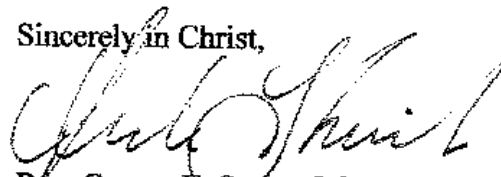
Information on how to make reports to the civil authorities, whether in the District of Columbia or the State of Maryland, is contained in the *Policy*, and is readily available on the Internet.

I urge you to report your knowledge about these cases both to the civil authorities and to the Archdiocese immediately, so that the needed inquiries can be made into these most serious allegations.

If you do not make these reports, within ten (10) days of your receipt of this letter, please explain, in writing, to me or to Rev. Anthony E. Lickteig why you have not done so.

With every best wish, I am

Sincerely in Christ,



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Vice Chancellor

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