

## **Maiers, Brennan**

Born in Stewart, MN 27 April 1936

Professed on 11 July 1957

Ordained on 1 June 1963

### **EDUCATION**

B.A. 1959 St. John's University (Philosophy)

Ordination 1963 St. John's University (Divinity)

M. Div. 1973 St. John's University (Divinity)

Renewal Program 1990 Sant' Anselmo Rome (Spiritual Renewal)

Certificate 1992 C.P.E. St. Mary's Medical Center  
Duluth, Minnesota

### **ASSIGNMENTS**

English/Religion Teacher  
St. John's Prep School 1963 – 1965

Associate Pastor  
St. Joseph Parish  
St. Joseph, Minnesota 1965 – 1968

Associate Pastor  
St. Benedict's Parish  
Bronx, New York 1968 – 1970

Pastor  
St. Benedict's Parish  
Bronx, New York 1970 – 1976

Pastor  
St. Boniface Parish  
Cold Spring, Minnesota 1976 – 1983

Pastor  
St. Bernard's Parish  
St. Paul, Minnesota 1983 – 1990

Renewal Sabbatical  
Sant' Anselmo  
Rome, Italy 1990 (September – December)

Chaplain

St. Scholastica Monastery  
Duluth, Minnesota 1991 – 1996 (January – April)

CPE Chaplain  
St. Mary's Medical Center  
Duluth, Minnesota 1991 – 1992

Contract Catholic Chaplain  
Duluth Federal Prison Camp  
Duluth, Minnesota 1992 – 1996

Part-time Chaplain  
St. Mary's Medical Center  
Duluth, Minnesota 1992 – 1996

Residential Treatment for Gambling Addiction  
St. Luke's Institute  
Silver Spring, Maryland 1996 (April – October)

Chaplain (Team member)  
St. Raphael's Convent  
St. Cloud, Minnesota 1996 - 1999

Chaplain (Team member)  
St. Benedict's Monastery  
St. Joseph, Minnesota 1997 – 1999

Chaplain  
St. Scholastica Convent  
St. Cloud, Minnesota 1999 July - 2002

Clerk of the Archivist  
St. John's Abbey 1996 - present

Car Dispatcher  
St. John's Abbey 1996 – present

1. *Dennis Doe v Brennan Maiers:*

- a. **Nature of the Abuse:** The event took place in 1966, when the plaintiff was a young boy and when Maiers was associate pastor at St. Joseph, Mn. From the perspective of Maiers, the event was a kind of wrestling with the plaintiff. From the plaintiff's claim, it was directly sexual. In any case Maiers admitted that the event included touching inappropriately.
- b. **Date of the Abuse:** 1966: date of the abuse beyond the year is not exact.
- c. **Response of Maiers:** He admitted that inappropriate touching had occurred.
- d. **Date on which SJA became aware of the Abuse:** January or February of 1990
- e. **Date of Settlement:** 28 December 1992

- f. **Response of SJA:** In August of 1990, Maiers was removed as pastor of St. Bernard's Parish in St. Paul and went through a renewal program in Rome. I am not sure whether he went through extensive therapy at that time. He returned from the renewal program and began work as chaplain to the monastic community at St. Scholastica in Duluth from 1991-1996. He also worked in the CPE program at St. Mary's Hospital from 1991-1992. Then from 1992-1996, he was contract chaplain at Duluth Federal Prison Camp. He also served as occasional chaplain at St. Mary's Hospital from 1992-1996. In 1996, he was sent to St. Luke's Institute in Maryland to deal with gambling addiction, though this treatment also looked at his sexual issues from 1966. Since 1996, Maiers has been resident at SJA, working part time in the Abbey Archives and from 1996-1999 was part of the chaplaincy team for St. Raphael's Convent in St. Cloud. From 1997-1999, he was part of the team chaplaincy for St. Benedict's Monastery in St. Joseph. From 1999 until 1 July 2002, he was chaplain for St. Scholastica's Convent in St. Cloud.
- g. After treatment at Saint Luke's Institute, Maiers has completed five years of after-care with them. During this time he has had a support group, has had regular therapy and spiritual direction. There have been no other allegations of abuse against Maiers. In addition, Father Brennan was arrested at an adult theater in Minneapolis when he molested an undercover police officer in 1984. At Saint Scholastica's there was an informal complaint against Maiers by a woman staff member for telling an off-color joke and for a sexually inappropriate comment.