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To the Clergy and people of the Diocese of Brandon:

We have been served with a statement of claim which has been filed against Mr. Nigel Packwood and the Diocese of Brandon, which was his employer at the time. This is a claim in civil court and involves serious allegations of misconduct, including sexual misconduct, by Mr. Packwood against a former parishioner at St. James' Anglican Church in Swan River, when Mr. Packwood was the Rector.

As many of you know, I asked Mr. Packwood to resign in August 2016 and I required that he renounce his ministry according to Canon XIX when the complaint was made to me.

We will be filing a statement of defence and have contacted our insurer. There is not much else we can say at this time, but we will keep you informed as the matter progresses.

Signed,

The Rt. Revd William G. Cliff
VII Bishop of Brandon