



Official Announcements

The Most Reverend Michael F. Burbidge, Bishop of Raleigh, announces the following priest assignments and special announcements:

Effective May 26, 2011

Reverend Chul Ho Lee, a Priest of the Archdiocese of Seoul (Korea) is appointed Pastor of Saint Ha-Sang Paul Jung Parish, New Hill.

Effective June 30, 2011

Reverend Romen Acero, Parochial Vicar at Saint Thomas More Parish, Chapel Hill, is appointed Assistant Principal for Spiritual Life at Cardinal Gibbons High School, Raleigh and Priestly Minister to the Hispanic Community at Saint Bernadette Parish, Butner. Father Acero will be in residence at Saint Thomas More, Chapel Hill.

Reverend Bill John Acosta-Escobar, Administrator of Saint Juan Diego Mission, Robbins, and Priestly Minister to the Hispanic community at Saint Anthony Parish, Southern Pines and Priestly Minister to the Hispanic community at Saint Elizabeth of Hungary Parish, Raeford, is appointed Pastor of Holy Spirit Parish, Kinston.

Reverend Gregory Anatuanya, a Priest of the Diocese of Awka (Nigeria), is appointed Parochial Vicar at Sacred Heart Parish, Pinehurst.

Very Reverend Carlos N. Arce, Vicar for Hispanic Ministry, is additionally appointed Priestly Minister to the Hispanic Community at Saint Anne Parish, Edenton and Holy Family Parish, Elizabeth City.

Reverend Mark J. Betti, Pastor of Immaculate Conception Parish, Clinton, is additionally appointed to priestly ministry for the Sacred Liturgy in the Extraordinary Form at Saint Mary Parish, Wilmington.

Reverend Jeffrey Bowker, L.C., Parochial Vicar at Saint Gabriel Parish, Greenville, is appointed Parochial Vicar at Infant of Prague Parish, Jacksonville.

Reverend Mr. Brendan J. Buckler, upon Ordination to the Priesthood on June 4, 2011, is appointed Parochial Vicar at Saint Catherine of Siena Parish, Wake Forest.

Reverend Edward J. Burch, Pastor of Holy Spirit Parish in Kinston, is appointed Pastor of Sacred Heart Parish, Pinehurst.

Reverend Ryan Z. Carnecer, C.I.C.M., a priest of the Congregation of Immaculate Heart of Mary, is appointed Parochial Vicar at Saint Eugene Parish, Wendell.

Reverend Anthony V. DeCandia, Parochial Vicar at Infant of Prague Parish, Jacksonville, is appointed Pastor and Campus Minister of The Doggett Center for Catholic Campus Ministry at Aquinas House, North Carolina State University, Raleigh, with residence at 1601 Westbridge Court, Raleigh.

Reverend David J. Devlin, O.S.F.S., an Oblate of Saint Francis De Sales, Wilmington-Philadelphia Province, is appointed Pastor of Holy Infant Parish, Durham.

Reverend Robert W. Diegelman, Pastor of Saint Matthew Parish, Durham, retires from active priestly ministry.

Reverend John G. Durbin, a Priest in Good Standing in the Diocese of Raleigh and Pastor of Saint Thomas More Parish, Chapel Hill, is granted a six-month sabbatical.

Reverend Francisco Javier Garcia Gonzalez, Parochial Vicar at Saint Bernadette Parish, Fuquay-Varina, is appointed Parochial Vicar at Sacred Heart Cathedral, Raleigh and will continue to serve in Diocesan Hispanic Ministry.

Reverend John Alex Gonzalez, Pastor and Campus Minister of The Doggett Center for Catholic Campus Ministry at Aquinas House, North Carolina State University, Raleigh, is appointed Pastor of Saint Joseph Parish, Burgaw and Transfiguration Mission, Wallace.

Reverend Rodolfo Gonzalez, Parochial Vicar of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish, Rocky Mount and Hispanic Priestly Ministry at Saint John the Baptist Parish, Roanoke Rapids is appointed Administrator of Saint Juan Diego Mission, Robbins and Priestly Minister to the Hispanic community at Saint Anthony Parish, Southern Pines and Priestly Minister to the Hispanic community at Saint Elizabeth of Hungary Parish, Raeford.

Reverend Ryszard Kolodziej, Pastor of Saint Stanislaus Parish in Castle Hayne, is appointed to an additional one-year term as Pastor of Saint Stanislaus Parish, Castle Hayne.

Reverend James M. Labosky, Health Care Minister of Moore County, is appointed Parochial Vicar at Saint Thomas More Parish, Chapel Hill with residence at Robert Southwell House, 211 McCauley Street, Chapel Hill.

Reverend Rafael A. Leon-Valencia, Pastor of Saint Joseph Parish, Burgaw and Transfiguration Mission, Wallace, is appointed Parochial Vicar at Saint Patrick Parish, Fayetteville.

Reverend Scott E. McCue, Assistant Principal for Spiritual Life at Cardinal Gibbons High School in Raleigh, and Priestly Minister at Our Lady of the Rosary Mission, Louisburg, is appointed Pastor of Saint Thomas More Parish, Chapel Hill.

Reverend Thanh Nguyen, Administrator of Saint Anne Parish, Edenton, is appointed Pastor of Saint Matthew Parish, Durham.

Reverend Walter Ospina-Briceno, a Priest in Good Standing in the Diocese of Raleigh and Parochial Vicar at Saint Catherine of Siena Parish, Wake Forest, is granted temporary leave for spiritual renewal.

Reverend Paul M. Parkerson, Pastor of Sacred Heart Parish, Dunn, and the Bishop's Delegate for the Sacred Liturgy in the Extraordinary Form, is additionally appointed to priestly ministry for the Sacred Liturgy in the Extraordinary Form at Sacred Heart Cathedral, Raleigh.

Reverend William L. Pitts, Pastor of Sacred Heart Parish in Pinehurst, is appointed Pastor of Saint Anne Parish, Edenton and All Souls Mission, Columbia.

Reverend Johanes Raharjo, C.I.C.M., Parochial Vicar at Saint Eugene Parish, Wendell, is appointed Administrator of Our Lady of the Rosary Mission, Louisburg.

Reverend Trent L. Watts, Pastor of Sacred Heart Parish, Southport, is appointed to a second six-year term as Pastor.

Reverend Joseph J. Yaeger, Pastor of Saint Elizabeth Parish, Farmville, is appointed to a second six-year term as Pastor.

Effective July 1, 2011

Reverend Lawrence Hayes, O.F.M., a Franciscan Friar, Holy Name Province, is appointed Parochial Vicar at Immaculate Conception Parish, Durham.

Effective January 3, 2012

Reverend Terrence Collins, Pastor of Saint Jude the Apostle Parish, Hampstead and Saint Mary, Gate of Heaven Mission, Surf City, retires from active priestly ministry.

Reverend John G. Durbin is appointed Pastor of Saint Jude the Apostle Parish, Hampstead and Saint Mary, Gate of Heaven Mission, Surf City.