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Diocese of Kalamazoo announces Priest assignments

May 30, 2023 (KALAMAZOO, MICH.): The Most Rev. Paul J. Bradley has announced the following priest assignments for the Diocese of Kalamazoo. The appointments are effective July 5, 2023 unless otherwise noted.

PASTOR

Rev. James Adams, Pastor, SS. John Bernard, Benton Harbor, has been appointed Pastor *in solidum* of the Collaborative of St. Mary's Visitation Parish, New Salem; St. Stanislaus Parish, Dorr; and Sacred Heart Parish, Watson.

Rev. Leonel Cartagena, Administrator of St. Anthony Parish, Buchanan, and St. Gabriel Parish, Berrien Springs, has been appointed Pastor, St. Joseph Parish, Kalamazoo.

Rev. Christopher Derda, Administrator of the Collaborative of St. Mary's Visitation, New Salem; St. Stanislaus, Dorr; and Sacred Heart, Watson, has been appointed Pastor *in solidum* of the same Collaborative.

Rev. Jeffrey Hanley, Parochial Vicar of St. Joseph Parish, Kalamazoo, has been appointed Pastor of the Collaborative of St. Rose of Lima Parish, Hastings, and St. Cyril Parish, Nashville. Father Hanley remains a Judge of the Diocesan Tribunal and Episcopal Master of Ceremonies. He concludes his assignment as Director of the Diocesan Office of Worship.

Rev. Maximilian Nightingale, Parochial Vicar of St. Monica Parish, Kalamazoo, has been appointed Pastor of the Collaborative of St. Thérèse of Lisieux Parish, Wayland, and SS. Cyril & Methodius Parish, Gun Lake. Father Nightingale remains a Judge of the Diocesan Tribunal.

Rev. Evelio Ramírez, Pastor of the Collaborative of St. Thérèse of Lisieux Parish, Wayland, and SS. Cyril & Methodius Parish, Gun Lake, has been appointed Pastor of the Collaborative of St. Peter Parish, Douglas; St. Basil Parish, South Haven; and San Felipe de Jesús Parish, Fennville.

ADMINISTRATOR

Rev. John Peter Ambrose, MSFS, currently on pastoral assignment for the Diocese of Dallas, returns to the Diocese of Kalamazoo, and has been appointed Administrator of SS. John & Bernard Parish, Benton Harbor, within Collaborative with St. Joseph Parish, St. Joseph, and St. Joseph Parish, Watervliet.

PAROCHIAL VICAR

Rev. Joseph Abraham, MSFS, Parochial Vicar of St. Joseph Parish, St. Joseph, has been appointed Parochial Vicar for the Collaborative of Holy Maternity Parish, Dowagiac; Holy Family Parish, Decatur; and Sacred Heart of Mary Parish, Watson.

Rev. Daniel Doctor, assigned to Replacement Ministry and to Sacramental Care for St. Ambrose Parish, Delton, and Our Lady of Great Oak Parish, Lacey, has been appointed Senior Parochial Vicar for St. Anthony Parish, Buchanan, within the Collaborative of St. Mary Parish, Niles, and St. Gabriel Parish, Berrien Springs.

Rev. Thomas McNally, Parochial Vicar of St. Catherine of Siena Parish, Portage, has been appointed Parochial Vicar for St. Monica Parish, Kalamazoo. Father McNally remains Chaplain/Spiritual Moderator of Hackett Catholic Prep.

NEWLY ORDAINED/FIRST PASTORAL ASSIGNMENT

Rev. Jack Pfeiffer, ordained on May 27, 2023, as a priest for the Diocese of Kalamazoo, has been appointed Parochial Vicar for the Collaborative of St. Joseph Parish, St. Joseph; SS. John & Bernard Parish, Benton Harbor; and St. Joseph Parish, Watervliet.

CANONICAL ADMINISTRATOR

Rev. Russel Homic, Pastor of St. Monica Parish, was appointed Canonical Administrator for Hackett Catholic Prep. The appointment was effective May 1, 2023

CHAPLAIN

Rev. Harold Potter, Chaplain of the Senior and Nursing Care Facilities in Kalamazoo County, has been appointed Chaplain, Bronson Methodist Hospital. Father Potter will continue his assignment as Chaplain in the Senior and Nursing Care Facilities in Kalamazoo County.

ASSISTANT CHAPLAIN

Rev. Robert Johansen, Parochial Vicar of St. Augustine Cathedral Parish, Kalamazoo, has been appointed Assistant Chaplain for Ascension Borgess Hospital, Kalamazoo. Father Johansen remains Parochial Vicar for St. Augustine Cathedral Parish.

Previously ANNOUNCED

Rev. Fabio Garzon, Pastor of the Collaborative of St. Peter Parish, Douglas; St. Basil Parish, South Haven; and San Felipe de Jesús Parish, Fennville, will be temporarily assigned as Delegate to the Apostolic Administrator (Bishop Paul J. Bradley), effective June 1, 2023. Father Garzon concludes his assignment as Pastor on July 5, 2023.

Msgr. Michael Osborn, formerly Vicar General/Moderator of the Curia, and currently Delegate of the Apostolic Administrator, concludes his Diocesan assignments effective May 31, 2023. Msgr. Osborn begins his role as Vice Rector and Director of Human Formation, Mount Saint Mary Seminary, Emmitsburg, Maryland, beginning June 26, 2023.