



ROMAN CATHOLIC
DIOCESE
of Calgary

PERSONNEL ANNOUNCEMENT

June 15, 2023

RETIREMENT

- **Rev. Toan Francis Tran**, currently assigned to the Hospital Chaplaincy Team, Medicine Hat, will retire from his appointment August 1, 2023.

The Diocese of Calgary is grateful for his many years of dedicated priestly service, and I wish him our prayers and best wishes.

Yours in Christ,

+William T. McGrattan
Bishop of Calgary

PRIEST LEAVING THE DIOCESE

- **Rev. Rajesh D'Souza, OCD**, currently Associate Pastor of St. Thomas More Church, Calgary, will be moving to the Diocese of Hamilton effective July 31, 2023

PRIESTS ARRIVING IN THE DIOCESE

- **Rev. Alexander Domingos Braganza, OCD**, currently appointed to the Little Flower Monastery, India, where he has since carried out his ministry, has been appointed Associate Pastor of St. Thomas More Parish, Calgary, effective August 3, 2023.
- **Rev. Jose Fortunato Garces**, currently appointed to the Diocese of Cubao, Philippines, will be assisting at Sacred Heart Parish, Calgary from July 6-August 9, 2023 while the Administrator is away on vacation.

PRIEST PASTORAL ASSIGNMENTS

- **Rev. Santiago Torres**, newly ordained, has been appointed Associate Pastor of All Saints Parish, Lethbridge, and Associate Chaplain to the St. Francis Xavier Chaplaincy effective August 15, 2023.
- **Rev. Derek Remus**, currently Associate Pastor of All Saints Parish, Lethbridge, has been appointed Associate Pastor of St. Luke's Parish, Calgary, and Assistant Vocations Director effective August 1, 2023.
- **Rev. Troy Nguyen**, currently Associate Pastor of St. Luke's Parish, Calgary, has been appointed Associate Pastor of St. Bonaventure Parish, Calgary, and Associate Chaplain to the St. Francis Xavier Chaplaincy effective August 1, 2023.
- **Rev. Vincent HaTuan**, currently Pastor of St. James Parish, Okotoks, has been appointed to the Medicine Hat Hospital Chaplaincy effective August 1, 2023.
- **Rev. Vijaya Bathineni**, currently Associate Pastor of St. James Parish, Okotoks, has been appointed Administrator of St. James Parish, Okotoks, effective August 1, 2023.
- **Rev. Domingo Bongalos**, returning from a leave, has been appointed Associate Pastor of St. James Parish, Okotoks, effective August 1, 2023.
- **Rev. Thomas Vadassery**, who is in retirement, has been appointed Associate Pastor of St. Paul's Parish, Airdrie, effective July 1, 2023.
- **Rev. Brian Hubka**, who is in retirement, has been appointed Administrator of St. Elizabeth of Hungary Parish, Calgary, effective July 1, 2023.
- **Rev. Jose Bustalino**, currently in the Calgary Hospital Chaplaincy, has been appointed Associate Pastor of St. Michael's Parish, Calgary, effective July 1, 2023.
- **Rev. Ajeesh Komalachan (Syro-Malankara Catholic Community)**, currently Associate Pastor of St. Michael's Parish, Calgary, has been appointed to the Calgary Hospital Chaplaincy and will reside at St. Patrick's Rectory effective July 1, 2023.
- **Rev. Rowel Jose (Arjay) Abanto**, currently Administrator of Sacred Heart Parish, Calgary, has been appointed Pastor effective August 1, 2023.
- **Rev. Pilmaiken Lezano**, currently Administrator of Our Lady of the Rockies Parish, Canmore, has been appointed Pastor effective August 1, 2023.

SEMINARIAN ON PASTORAL YEAR

- **Peter An**, currently on pastoral year of internship at St. Luke's Parish, Calgary, under the supervision of Rev. Fernando Genogaling, will resume his seminary studies at St. Joseph Seminary, Edmonton effective August 31, 2023.

DEACON

- **Deacon Michael Thompson**, who is in retirement, has been appointed to assist in Holy Trinity Parish, Siksika, effective August 1, 2023.

NEW TO THE DIOCESE

- **Deacon Carlos Lozano**, a permanent deacon incardinated in the Diocese of Quilmes Argentina. Now residing in Calgary, has been appointed to Holy Spirit Parish, Calgary, effective August 1, 2023.