



# DIOCESE OF SAN BERNARDINO

OFFICE OF PRIEST PERSONNEL

“Filling Lives with Hope”

Date: January 23, 2018

TO: Brother Priests  
Deacons, Religious, Pastoral Coordinators  
Parish, School and Pastoral Center Staff

FM: Rev. Erik Esparza, JCL *EE*

RE: Personnel News

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**Bishop Barnes wishes to share the following information:**

**I. OFFICE OF EPISCOPAL VICAR**

- Bishop Barnes is happy to announce the re-appointment of Very Reverend Rafael Partida as Episcopal Vicar of the Riverside Pastoral Region for a four (4) year term beginning July 1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2022. We congratulate Father Partida on his re-appointment and thank him for his generous service to the Diocese of San Bernardino.

**II. NEW PASTOR APPOINTMENT**

- Rev. Francisco Valdovinos, ST, Pastor, Sanctuary of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Mecca for a term of six (6) years beginning May 1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2024. The Diocese is grateful to the Missionary Servants of the Most Holy Trinity who also staff the parish Our Lady of Soledad, Coachella for the assignment of Fr. Valdovinos to Mecca. Fr. Valdovinos will reside with the Trinitarian priests in Coachella. We also wish to thank Fr. Hector Vasquez for his faithful service to the parish over the years. Fr. Hector will soon receive a new assignment in the Diocese.

**III. PASTOR REAPPOINTMENT**

The following pastors have requested and been granted a one-year extension on their term of office effective July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019:

- Rev. Tom Burdick, Pastor, Saint Mother Teresa of Calcutta, Winchester
- Rev. Gerald DeLuney, Pastor, Corpus Christi, Corona
- Rev. David Foxen, MSC, Pastor, Our Lady of Solitude, Palm Springs and Our Lady of Guadalupe, Palm Springs
- Rev. Howard Lincoln, Pastor, Sacred Heart, Palm Desert

#### IV. PARISH OPENINGS

The following parishes are declared open for an appointment of Pastor/Administrator effective July 1, 2018. Any priest wishing to request consideration to serve as Pastor/Administrator of the parish, please send a letter to the Office of the Bishop with a copy to the Office of Priest Personnel by Monday, February 12, 2018.

- **St. Joseph the Worker, Loma Linda** - Let us thank Msgr. Philip Behan, JCL for his numerous years of service and ministry throughout the entire Diocese. Msgr. Behan will retire from full time ministry at the end of his current term which ends on June 30, 2018.
- **St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, Crestline** - Let us thank Father Tom Burns, MSC for his years of service and ministry to the parish community of St. Frances Cabrini. Father Burns will retire from full time ministry at the end of his current term which ends on June 30, 2018.
- **Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, Rancho Cucamonga** - Let us thank Mrs. Josefina Herrera, Pastoral Coordinator, for her many years of service at the parish of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel. Mrs. Herrera completes her term as Pastoral Coordinator on June 30, 2018.
- **Christ the Redeemer, Grand Terrace** - Let us thank Mr. Jose Crespo, Pastoral Coordinator, for his years of service at the parish of Christ the Redeemer. Mr. Crespo plans to retire after he completes his term as Pastoral Coordinator on June 30, 2018.

#### V. IMPORTANT DATES

- **Combined Vicariate Meeting Dates**

This is a reminder regarding the upcoming Combined Vicariate Meetings at the Diocesan Pastoral Center. Each day begins with registration and hospitality at 8:45am followed by the program beginning at 9:30AM and ending at 3:30PM. We look forward to the presence of clergy and staff from the respective pastoral regions.

- **San Bernardino Pastoral Region-Wednesday, February 7, 2018**
- **Riverside Pastoral Region-Thursday, February 15, 2018**

- **Upcoming Diocesan Liturgies**

Please add the following dates to your calendar for 2018:

- **Chrism Mass** - Tuesday, March 27, 2018, St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, Yucaipa at 4:00PM.
- **Priesthood Ordination Mass** of Deacon Charles "Gino" Galley - Saturday, May 19, 2018, Sacred Heart, Rancho Cucamonga at 10:00AM.
- **Permanent Diaconate Ordination Mass** – Saturday, August 25, 2018, St. Paul the Apostle, Chino Hills at 10:00AM.
- **40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Diocese Mass** – Saturday, November 3, 2018, St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, Yucaipa at 10:00AM.

*The LORD bless you and keep you!  
The LORD let his face shine upon you, and be gracious to you!  
The LORD look upon you kindly and give you peace!*