

DIOCESE OF SAN BERNARDINO

OFFICE OF PRIEST PERSONNEL "Filling Lives with Hope"

Date: March 7, 2018

TO: Brother Priests

Deacons, Religious, Pastoral Coordinators Parish, School and Pastoral Center Staff

FM: Rev. Erik Esparza, JCL &&

RE: Personnel News

Bishop Barnes wishes to share the following information:

I. OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE, SAN BERNARDINO

- It was announced this past weekend that the parish community of Our Lady of Guadalupe, San Bernardino entrusted to the CORC community, los Operarios del Reino de Cristo, nominated one of its members, Rev. Pedro Amezcua, CORC, to serve as the new pastor of the parish. Bishop Barnes has confirmed this nomination and therefore appoints:
 - Rev. Pedro Amezcua, CORC, Pastor of Our Lady of Guadalupe, San Bernardino beginning July 1, 2018 for a term of six (6) years ending on June 30, 2024.

Bishop Barnes wishes to thank *Rev. Pablo Medina, CORC*, current pastor of Our Lady of Guadalupe, San Bernardino for his generous service to the parish community and work in the Diocese. Father Medina awaits a new assignment from his community. It was also announced at *St. James the Less, Perris* that Father Amezcua, current pastor, would be departing the community as of June 30, 2018. A new pastor will be appointed for St. James the Less, Perris at a later date. Father Amezcua has done great work as pastor of St. James the Less and hopes to oversee the completion of a newly constructed parish church.

II. PASTOR REAPPOINTMENT

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

- Rev. Gerald DeLuney, Pastor, Corpus Christi, Corona
- Rev. Louis Marx, Pastor, San Secondo d'Asti, Guasti
- Rev. James McLaughlin, Pastor, St. Francis of Assisi, La Quinta
- Rev. Patrick Travers, SSCC, Pastor, Holy Innocents, Victorville

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After successfully completing an extensive review of pastoral ministry, the following Pastors are being reappointed as Pastor to their respective parishes:

- Rev. Cornelius McQuillan, CSSP, Pastor, Our Lady of the Valley, Hemet for a term of six (6) years beginning July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2024.
- Rev. Albert Utzig, SSC, Pastor, St. Mary, Fontana for a term of six (6) years beginning July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2024.
- Rev. Guy Wilson, ST, Pastor of Our Lady of Soledad, Coachella for a term of six (6) years beginning July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2024.

III. NEW PASTOR APPOINTMENT

After successfully completing an extensive review of pastoral ministry, the following Administrators are being appointed as Pastor to their respective parishes:

- Rev. Michael Onwuemelie, CSSP, Pastor of Holy Spirit, Hemet for a term of six (6) years beginning July 1, 2018 until June 30, 2024.
- Rev. James Oropel, Pastor of St Frances of Rome, Wildomar for a term of six (6) years beginning July 1, 2018 until June 30, 2024.

IV. PAROCHIAL VICAR

• Rev. Luis Omar Reyes, O. de M. Parochial Vicar of St. Anthony, Riverside and Our Lady of Guadalupe Shrine, Riverside. Father Reyes began his assignment effective December 8, 2017 and will serve three (3) years ending on June 30, 2021. Father Reyes was ordained in September 2017. We are most grateful for his presence in the Diocese.

V. IMPORTANT DATES

- ➤ Visitation of the Relics of St. Padre Pio on the occasion of the 50th Anniversary of his passing and in celebration of the 40th Anniversary of the Diocese of San Bernardino:
 - Wednesday, March 14, 2018 from 9:00am to 9:00pm
 An Evening Mass will be celebrated at 7:00pm
 Queen of Angels
 4824 Jones Ave
 Riverside, CA 92505
 - Thursday, March 15, 2018 from 8:00am to 12:00pm
 Our Lady of the Rosary Cathedral
 2525 North Arrowhead Avenue
 San Bernardino, Ca 92405
- Chrism Mass Tuesday, March 27, 2018, St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, Yucaipa at 4:00PM.

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!

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