

April 20, 2020

Below is the complete list of appointments this year, effective: 14 July 2020

Pray for those who are receiving a first assignment, a new assignment, a first assignment as Pastor, a different kind of assignment, or transitioning into retirement

~*Archbishop Jackels*

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OFFICIAL CLERGY APPOINTMENTS

Retirement

Father James Dubert will retire from active ministry for reasons of health, after serving as Pastor of St. Patrick Parish in Britt, St. Patrick Parish in Buffalo Center, St. Wenceslaus Parish in Duncan, St. James Parish in Forest City, St. Boniface Parish in Garner, and St. Patrick Parish in Lake Mills

Father Mark Ressler will retire from active ministry, having reached the retirement age, after serving as Pastor of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish in Hiawatha

Father James Secora will retire from active ministry, having reached the retirement age, after serving as Pastor of St. Cecilia Parish in Ames, but he will remain as Dean of the Marshalltown Deanery

Pastor

Father Andrew Marr will be re-assigned as Pastor of St. Patrick Parish in Britt, St. Patrick Parish in Buffalo Center, St. Wenceslaus Parish in Duncan, St. James Parish in Forest City, St. Boniface Parish in Garner, and St. Patrick Parish in Lake Mills, after serving as Chaplain of Loras College in Dubuque

Father Gary Mayer will be re-assigned as Pastor of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish in Hiawatha, after serving as Pastor of Immaculate Conception Parish in Charles City and St. Michael Parish in Nashua

Father Thomas Heathershaw will be re-assigned as Pastor of Immaculate Conception Parish in Charles City and St. Michael Parish in Nashua, after serving as Associate Pastor of Resurrection Parish in Dubuque

Father Donald Czapla will be re-assigned as Pastor of St. Cecilia Parish in Ames, after serving as Pastor of St. Matthew Parish in Cedar Rapids

Father Douglas Loecke will be re-assigned as Pastor of St. Matthew Parish in Cedar Rapids, after serving as Pastor of St. Matthias Parish in Cascade, Sacred Heart Parish in Fillmore, St. Patrick Parish in Garryowen, and St. Peter Parish in Temple Hill

Father Mark Osterhaus will be re-assigned as Pastor of St. Matthias Parish in Cascade, Sacred Heart Parish in Fillmore, St. Patrick Parish in Garryowen, and St. Peter Parish in Temple Hill, after serving as Pastor of St. Mary Parish in Dorchester, St. Mary Parish in Hanover, and St. Patrick Parish in Waukon

Father John Moser will be re-assigned as Pastor of St. Mary Parish in Dorchester, St. Mary Parish in Hanover, and St. Patrick Parish in Waukon, after serving as Pastor of St. Ann-St. Joseph Parish in Harpers Ferry,

Immaculate Conception Parish in Lansing, St. Joseph Parish in New Albin, and Immaculate Conception Parish in Wexford, but he will remain as Dean of the Decorah Deanery

After Deacon Sean Smith is ordained a priest, he will be assigned as Pastor of St. Ann-St. Joseph Parish in Harpers Ferry, Immaculate Conception Parish in Lansing, St. Joseph Parish in New Albin, and Immaculate Conception Parish in Wexford

Father Douglas Wathier will be re-assigned as Pastor of St. Mary Parish in Waverly, after serving on the Faculty of Loras College in Dubuque

Father Richmond Dzekoe, from the Archdiocese of Cape Coast in Ghana, will be assigned as Pastor of St. John XXIII Parish in Cedar Rapids and Chaplain of Xavier High School in Cedar Rapids

Father James Goerend will be re-assigned as Pastor of St. Athanasius Parish in Jesup and St. Francis Parish in Barclay, after serving as Associate Pastor of St. Francis Xavier Parish in Dyersville, St. Joseph Parish in Earlville, St. Boniface Parish in New Vienna, Ss. Peter and Paul Parish in Petersburg, and St. Paul Parish in Worthington

Father Rick Dagit is relieved as Pastor of Ss. Peter and Paul Parish in Gilbert, remaining as Pastor of St. Mary Parish in Colo, St. Patrick Parish in Nevada, St. Joseph Parish in State Center, and St. Gabriel Parish in Zearing

Father Benjamin Nkrumah, from the Archdiocese of Kumasi in Ghana, will be assigned as Pastor of Ss. Peter and Paul Parish in Gilbert, and sacramental priest at St. Cecilia Parish in Ames and St. Thomas Aquinas Parish in Ames, with residence at the St. Thomas Aquinas Parish rectory

Fathers David Schatz and Thomas McDermott are relieved as co-Pastors of St. Joseph the Worker Parish in Dubuque, remaining as co-Pastors of St. Columbkille Parish in Dubuque, as well their duties related to the seminary program

Father Paul Attah-Nsiah, from the Diocese of Konongo-Mampong in Ghana, will be re-assigned as Pastor of St. Joseph the Worker Parish in Dubuque, after serving as Associate Pastor of St. Joseph the Worker Parish in Dubuque and St. Columbkille Parish in Dubuque

Father Rodney Allers is relieved as Pastor of St. Catherine Parish in St. Catherine and St. Donatus Parish in St. Donatus, remaining as Pastor of St. Joseph Parish in Key West and Holy Family Parish in New Melleray

Father Dennis Miller will be Pastor of St. Catherine Parish in St. Catherine and St. Donatus Parish in St. Donatus, in addition to St. Joseph Parish in Bellevue and Ss. Peter and Paul Parish in Springbrook

Pastor – Renewal of Tenure

Father Jerry Blake will have his tenure extended for a second six-year term as Pastor of St. Francis Xavier Parish in Belmond, St. John Parish in Clarion, and Sacred Heart Parish in Eagle Grove

Father Scott Bullock will have his tenure extended for a second six-year term as Pastor of St. Edward Parish in Waterloo

Father Noah Diehm will have his tenure extended for a second six-year term as Pastor of St. Francis of Assisi Parish in Balltown, Holy Cross Parish in Holy Cross, Holy Trinity Parish in Luxemburg, St. Joseph Parish in Rickardsville, and Ss. Peter and Paul Parish in Sherrill

Father Nils Hernandez will have his tenure extended for a second six-year term as Pastor of St. Mary Parish in McGregor, St. Patrick Parish in Monona, and St. Bridget Parish in Postville

Father Christopher Podhajsky will have his tenure extended one more year as Pastor of Immaculate Conception Parish in Cedar Rapids and St. Wenceslaus Parish in Cedar Rapids

Associate Pastor

Father David Ambrosy will be re-assigned as Associate Pastor of St. Joseph Parish in Bellevue, St. Catherine Parish in St. Catherine, St. Donatus Parish in St. Donatus, and Ss. Peter and Paul Parish in Springbrook, after serving as Pastor of St. Mary Parish in Waverly

Father Anthony Boahen Nketiah, from the Diocese of Konongo-Mampong in Ghana, will be assigned as Associate Pastor of St. Francis Xavier Parish in Dyersville, St. Joseph Parish in Earlville, St. Boniface Parish in New Vienna, Ss. Peter and Paul Parish in Petersburg, and St. Paul Parish in Worthington

After Deacon Nick Radloff is ordained a priest, he will be assigned as Associate Pastor of Resurrection Parish in Dubuque

After Deacon Joseph Sevcik is ordained a priest, he will be assigned as Associate Pastor of St. Patrick Parish in Britt, St. Patrick Parish in Buffalo Center, St. Wenceslaus Parish in Duncan, St. James Parish in Forest City, St. Boniface Parish in Garner, and St. Patrick Parish in Lake Mills

Special Assignment

Father Paul Lippstock will be re-assigned as Chaplain at MercyOne North Iowa Medical Center in Mason City, after serving as Sacramental Priest at St. Patrick Parish in Britt, St. Patrick Parish in Buffalo Center, St. Wenceslaus Parish in Duncan, St. James Parish in Forest City, St. Boniface Parish in Garner, and St. Patrick Parish in Lake Mills

Father Dustin Vu will be re-assigned as Chaplain at Loras College in Dubuque, after serving as Pastor of St. John XXIII Parish in Cedar Rapids and Chaplain of Xavier High School in Cedar Rapids

Father Jeffrey Dole will be re-assigned to do further study, after serving as Pastor of St. Athanasius Parish in Jesup and St. Francis Parish in Barclay

Father Mark Kwenin, from the Archdiocese of Cape Coast in Ghana, will be assigned part-time as Chaplain at Stonehill Care Center in Dubuque, while remaining as Associate Pastor of Holy Spirit Parish in Dubuque

Father David O'Connor is appointed as Dean of the Cedar Rapids Deanery

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