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TO: All Priests, Deacons, Parish Life Directors, and ACC Department Heads

FROM: Msgr. James Halley, Vicar for Clergy
Fr. James Anguiano, Associate Vicar for Clergy

DATE: May 1, 2021

SUBJECT: New Pastors and Administrators
For July 1, 2021

The Archbishop has given approval for the following priests to be appointed Pastors on July 1, 2021:

Our Lady of the Angels Pastoral Region:

Fr. Juan Ochoa, Christ the King, Los Angeles
Fr. Arturo Valadez, Holy Spirit, Los Angeles
Fr. Anthony Lee, St. Agatha, Los Angeles
Fr. Luis Espinoza, St. Agnes, Los Angeles
Fr. Fidelis Omeaku, St. Anselm, Los Angeles
Fr. Albert Van Der Woerd, St. Mark, Venice
Fr. Paul Fitzpatrick, St. Martin of Tours, Los Angeles *
Fr. Joseph Visperas, St. Timothy, Los Angeles *

Santa Barbara Pastoral Region:

Fr. John Love, Santa Clara, Oxnard *

San Fernando Pastoral Region:

Fr. Marinello Saguin, Our Lady of Grace, Encino
Fr. Alden Sison, St. Euphrasia, Granada Hills *
Fr. Ethan Southard, St. John Eudes, Chatsworth
Fr. Vaughn Winters, St. Kateri Tekakwitha, Santa Clarita
Fr. Marco Ortiz, St. Robert Bellarmine, Burbank *

San Gabriel Pastoral Region:

Msgr. Albert Bahhuth, Holy Family, South Pasadena *
Fr. Joachim Lepcha, Immaculate Conception, Monrovia
Fr. Ronald Clark, St. Dorothy, Glendora
Fr. John Collins, Ss. Felicitas and Perpetua, San Marino *
Fr. Michael Gutierrez, St. Louis of France, La Puente *

San Pedro Pastoral Region:

Fr. Paul Vigil, St. Anthony, El Segundo *
Fr. Mark Strader, St. Bartholomew, Long Beach *
Fr. Alidor Mikobi, St. Cyprian, Long Beach
Fr. Erasmus Soriano, St. Linus, Norwalk *
Fr. Budi Wardhana, St. Lucy, Long Beach
Fr. Andrew Chung, St. Pancratius, Lakewood
Fr. Samuel Ward, St. Raymond, Downey *

The following priests will be appointed or re-appointed Administrators:

Our Lady of the Angels Pastoral Region:

Fr. Miguel Angel Acevedo, St. Paul, Los Angeles (*Extern Priest*)

Santa Barbara Pastoral Region:

Fr. Oscar Daniel Martinez, La Purisima Concepcion, Lompoc * (*Extern Priest*)
Fr. Altaire Fernandez, Queen of Angels, Lompoc *
Fr. Joshua Diener, St. Anthony, Oxnard *
Fr. William Ian Hagan, St. Julie Billiart, Newbury Park *
Fr. Ryan Thornton, O.F.M., St. Mark University, Goleta * (*Religious Order Priest*)

San Fernando Pastoral Region:

Fr. Jeejo Vazhappily, Sch.P., St. Bridget of Sweden, Lake Balboa * (*Extern Priest*)

San Gabriel Pastoral Region:

Fr. Hector William Rodriguez, Our Lady of Guadalupe, Irwindale
Fr. Jorge Chalaco Vega, Our Lady of the Rosary of Talpa, Los Angeles (*Extern Priest*)
Fr. Roberto Rueda, L.C., Our Lady of Victory, Los Angeles (*Extern Priest*)
Fr. Gilbert Guzman, Sacred Heart, Altadena *
Fr. Ismael Robles, St. John the Baptist, Baldwin Park *
Fr. Robert Victoria, St. Luke, Temple City

San Pedro Pastoral Region:

Fr. Jeffrey Baker, St. Gregory the Great, Whittier *
Fr. Anthony Garcias, St. Paul of the Cross, La Mirada *

The following parishes will be entrusted to the pastoral care of religious orders:

San Fernando Pastoral Region:

St. Mary, Palmdale, entrusted to the *Misioneros Servidores de la Palabra* (M.S.P)
with the Pastor/Administrator to be announced *

San Gabriel Pastoral Region:

Our Lady of Guadalupe, El Monte, entrusted to the Guadalupe Missionaries (M.G.)
with Fr. Carlos May Correa, M.G., assigned as Pastor

Our Lady of Solitude, Los Angeles, entrusted to the Guadalupe Missionaries (M.G.)
with Fr. Marco Navarro, M.G., assigned as Pastor

Santa Isabel, Los Angeles, entrusted to the Salesians of Don Bosco (S.D.B.)
with the Pastor/Administrator to be announced.

Parishes with an asterisk denote parishes that were on the Open Pastorate listing this term. Let us pray for the abovementioned clergy, religious, and lay leaders who have been called to serve in leadership in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles.

“Let us go forward in the joy of our ministry, knowing that we have at our side the One who called us and does not abandon us. May the certainty of His Presence sustain and console us.”

-- St. John Paul II