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**“Second Revised Official”**

TRANSITIONAL DEACONS

**The following men were ordained to the Transitional Diaconate on April 22, 2017 by Auxiliary Bishop Myron Cotta:**

Dcn. Jesús **Hernández González**  
Dcn. H. René **Jáuregui Mejía**  
Dcn. German **Ramos**

**Bishop Jaime Soto has made the following canonical appointments:**

PERMANENT DEACONS

**Effective April 24, 2017**

Dcn. Gilberto **Coss**, has been appointed to St. Rose Parish, Sacramento. Previously Deacon Coss served at St. Christopher Parish, Galt.

PRIESTS

**Effective June 1, 2017**

Rev. Martin J. **Ramat**, previously Parochial Administrator of St. Philomene Parish, Sacramento, has been appointed Pastor of the same.

Rev. R. Francis **Stevenson**, previously Parochial Administrator of Our Divine Savior Parish, Chico, has been appointed Pastor of the same.

**Bishop Jaime Soto, in consultation with the Priests' Personnel Board has made the following canonical appointments:**

**Effective July 1, 2017**

Rev. Lawrence J. **Beck**, previously Pastor of St. Katharine Drexel Parish, Martell, has been appointed Pastor of Holy Trinity Parish, El Dorado Hills.

Rev. Jose J. **Beltran**, having completed studies at the University of Notre Dame in Indiana, has been appointed Parochial Administrator of St. Peter Parish, Dixon.

Rev. Juan Francisco **Bracamontes-Mojaraz**, previously Parochial Vicar of Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish, Sacramento, has been appointed Parochial Vicar of Holy Spirit Parish, Fairfield.

Rev. Salvador B. **Bringas**, previously Parochial Vicar of St. James Parish, Davis, has been appointed Parochial Vicar of St. Charles Barromeo Parish, Sacramento.

Rev. Jacobo A. **Caceres**, Pastor of Holy Cross Parish, West Sacramento, has been appointed Dean of Yolo Deanery.

Rev. Mervin P. **Concepcion**, previously Pastor of St. Maria Goretti Parish, Elk Grove, has been appointed Pastor of St. Joseph Parish, Rio Vista.

Rev. Roy R. **Doner**, Pastor of St. Thomas the Apostle Parish, Oroville, has been granted a leave of absence.

Rev. Andrés M. **Emmanuelli**, ordained to the priesthood on June 3, 2017, has been appointed Parochial Vicar of St. Vincent Ferrer Parish, Vallejo.

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Rev. Michael J. **Estaris**, while remaining a member of the Tribunal Staff, has been appointed Parochial Vicar of St. Rose of Lima Parish, Roseville.

Rev. Eric **Flores**, previously Parochial Vicar of Our Lady of Mercy Parish, Redding, has been appointed Parochial Administrator of Sacred Heart Parish, Anderson.

Rev. Jhay B. **Galeon**, previously Parochial Administrator of Sacred Heart Parish, Alturas, has been appointed Parochial Administrator of Our Lady of Mercy Parish, Redding.

Rev. Edgardo J. **Garcia**, ordained to the priesthood on June 3, 2017, has been appointed Parochial Vicar of Good Shepherd Parish, Elk Grove.

Rev. Fredhelito E. **Gucor**, previously Parochial Administrator of St. Robert Parish, Sacramento, has been appointed Pastor of St. Joseph Parish, Redding and Dean of Shasta Deanery.

Rev. John J. **Healy**, previously Chaplain of Mercy General Hospital, Sacramento, has been granted his request to retire from active ministry.

Rev. Gerome D. **Hernandez**, MSP, previously Parochial Vicar of St. Catherine of Siena Parish, Vallejo, has been appointed Parochial Administrator of St. Thomas the Apostle Parish, Oroville.

Rev. Guillermo **Hernandez**, previously Parochial Administrator of St. Rose Parish, Sacramento, has been appointed Pastor of the same.

Rev. Msgr. James **Kidder**, previously Pastor of Holy Trinity Parish, El Dorado Hills, has been granted his request to retire from active ministry.

Rev. Sibi **Kurian**, a priest of the Syro-Malabar Catholic Diocese of Chicago, previously Priest-in-Residence at Immaculate Conception Parish, Sacramento, has been appointed Priest-in-Residence at St. Peter and All Hallows Parish, Sacramento.

Rev. Sylvester **Kwiatkowski**, Pastor of St. John the Baptist Parish, Folsom, has been appointed Dean of Gold Country Deanery.

Rev. John M. **Lawrence**, previously Parochial Vicar of St. Joseph Parish, Redding and Chaplain of Mercy Hospital, Redding, has been granted his request to retire from active ministry.

Rev. Joshy **Mathew**, CMI, previously Parochial Administrator of Holy Family Parish, Weed, has been appointed Parochial Administrator of St. Maria Goretti Parish, Elk Grove.

Rev. Lester **Menor**, previously Parochial Vicar of Good Shepherd Parish, Elk Grove, has been appointed Parochial Vicar of Holy Trinity Parish, El Dorado Hills.

Rev. Kieran M. **McMahon**, recently having served as Parochial Administrator of the Cathedral Parish, has been appointed Priest-in-Residence at the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament, Sacramento.

Rev. Patrick G. **Nyaga**, previously Parochial Vicar of St. John the Baptist Parish, Chico, has been appointed Parochial Vicar of St. Joseph Parish, Redding.

Rev. Arnold P. **Parungao**, previously Parochial Vicar of St. Peter and All Hallows Parish, Sacramento, has been appointed Parochial Administrator of St. Robert Parish, Sacramento, while remaining Priest Chaplain of St. Francis High School, Sacramento.

Rev. Antonio B. **Racela**, previously Parochial Vicar of St. Rose of Lima Parish, Roseville, has been appointed Parochial Administrator of St. Dominic Parish, Orland.

Rev. Michael D. **Ritter**, previously Parochial Vicar of St. Charles Borromeo Parish, Sacramento, has been appointed Parochial Vicar of St. John the Baptist Parish, Chico and assisting at the Newman Center in Chico.

Rev. R. Joshua **Sia**, ordained to the priesthood on June 3, 2017, has been appointed Parochial Vicar of St. James Parish, Davis and assisting at the Newman Center in Davis.

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Rev. George T. **Snyder Jr.**, previously Pastor of St. Joseph Parish, Redding, has been appointed Pastor of St. Clare Parish, Roseville.

Rev. Brian J. **Soliven**, Parochial Administrator of Holy Family Parish, Portola, has been appointed Dean of Ridge Deanery.

Rev. Mario H. **Valmorida**, previously Parochial Administrator of Our Lady of Mercy Parish, Redding, has been appointed Parochial Administrator of Holy Family Parish, Weed.

Rev. Jossy G. **Vattothu**, CMI, previously Parochial Vicar of St. Mary Parish, Sacramento, has been appointed Parochial Vicar of St. John the Baptist Parish, Folsom.

Rev. Michael D. **Vaughan**, previously Parochial Administrator of St. Peter Parish, Dixon, has been appointed Pastor of St. Peter and All Hallows Parish, Sacramento.

Rev. Arlon M. **Vergara**, OSA, previously Parochial Vicar of St. Katharine Drexel Parish, Martell, has been appointed Parochial Administrator of Sacred Heart Parish, Alturas.

Rev. Colin C. **Wen**, previously Parochial Vicar of St. Vincent Ferrer Parish, Vallejo, has been appointed Parochial Administrator of St. Katharine Drexel Parish, Martell.

Rev. Godwin **Xavier**, previously Parochial Administrator of St. Joseph Parish, Rio Vista, has been appointed Parochial Vicar of Our Lady of Mercy Parish, Redding.

**The following notice is also given:**

**Effective March 27, 2017**

Rev. Michael D. **Vaughan**, Parochial Administrator of St. Peter Parish, Dixon, formerly a Priest of the Legion of Christ has been incardinated into the Diocese of Sacramento.

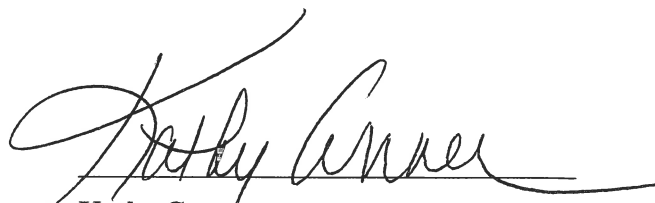
**In Memoriam**

Rev. Thomas C. **Carrigan**, died on March 23, 2017. He was born on January 2, 1935. Ordained to the priesthood on June 5, 1960. Fr. Carrigan served as a priest of the Diocese of Sacramento for almost 57 years.

Rev. Thomas P. **Delahunty**, died on April 8, 2017. He was born on May 4, 1930. Ordained to the priesthood on June 5, 1955. Fr. Delahunty served as a priest of the Diocese of Sacramento for almost 62 years.

Rev. John K. **Hannan**, died on June 5, 2017. He was born on September 10, 1929. Ordained to the priesthood on June 12, 1955. Fr. Hannan served as a priest of the Diocese of Sacramento for almost 62 years.



  
**Kathy Conner**  
**Chancellor**