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NEWS RELEASE

Archbishop Byrnes to ordain Deacon Ron Pangan to priesthood Saturday, Oct. 17

With joy in our hearts and immense thanksgiving to God, the Archdiocese of Agaña will welcome its newest priest to our Church this weekend.

Archbishop Michael Byrnes will ordain Deacon Honorio “Ron” Valdeavilla Pangan Jr. to the priesthood 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 17, 2020 at the Dulce Nombre de Maria Cathedral-Basilica in Hagatña.

The Ordination to the Sacred Order of Priesthood will be livestreamed at aganacathedral.org and [fb.com/aganacathedral](https://www.facebook.com/aganacathedral).

The archdiocese reminds everyone that COVID-19 safety protocols such as wearing of masks and social distancing will be strictly required.

Archbishop Michael Byrnes conferred the Order of the Diaconate on Pangan and another Guam seminarian, June Valencia on April 27, 2019 in California. The two studied to become priests at St. Patrick’s Seminary in Menlo Park, California and graduated last summer.

This Saturday’s ordination will be the first of three such blessings for our Church on Guam. Deacon Valencia is scheduled to be ordained to the priesthood on Nov. 7, 2020 and a third Guam man, Deacon William Mamangun, is to be ordained on Dec. 12, 2020.

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Nameline for accompanying photo:

Deacon Honorio “Ron” Valdeavilla Pangan Jr.
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