

ASSIGNMENT MEMO

From Very Reverend Glenn Jones,
Vicar General, Vicar for Clergy

October 8, 2021

ARCHBISHOP JOHN C. WESTER HAS MADE THE FOLLOWING ASSIGNMENTS:

- Effective Wednesday, June 9, 2021 – Deacon Timoteo Lujan, from the Diocese of Gallup, has been appointed to diaconal ministry at Our Lady of Fatima under the guidance of the pastor, Very Reverend Stephen Schultz.
- Effective Sunday, June 13, 2021 – Deacon Daniel O. Kennedy, previously assigned at Our Lady of Sorrows in Bernalillo, has been appointed to diaconal ministry at Our Lady of Guadalupe in Peña Blanca under the guidance of the Pastor, Reverend Simon Carian.
- Effective Saturday, July 24, 2021 – Reverend Michael Chiagorom has been appointed as parochial vicar of St. Thomas Aquinas in Rio Rancho, serving with Reverend Monsignor Douglas Raun.
- Effective Wednesday, September 1, 2021 – Deacon Steve Apodaca, from the Archdiocese of Miami, has been appointed to diaconal ministry at Santa Maria de la Paz in Santa Fe under the guidance of the pastor, Reverend Daniel Balizan.
- Effective Wednesday, September 1, 2021 – Deacon Jesus Manuel Toquinto, previously assigned at St. Edwin in Albuquerque, has been appointed to diaconal ministry at St. Francis Xavier in Albuquerque under the guidance of the pastor, Reverend Bijoy Francis.
- Effective Wednesday, September 29, 2021 – Reverend Jose Hernandez, currently pastor at Immaculate Conception in Tome, has been granted retirement.
- Effective Wednesday, September 29, 2021 – Reverend Michael Demkovich, O.P., currently Parochial Vicar of Our Lady of the Annunciation in Albuquerque, has been appointed as parish administrator of Immaculate Conception in Tome.
- Effective Tuesday, October 5, 2021 – Deacon Jerry Pierce, from the Diocese of Las Cruces, has been appointed to diaconal ministry at Saint John XXIII Catholic Community in Albuquerque under the guidance of the pastor, Reverend Tai Pham.

Please note these changes on your records.

Please keep all the clergy who are beginning new assignments in your prayers.