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DIOCESAN JUBILARIANS CELEBRATE IN 2022

60 Years
Rev. Peter H. White

Father Peter H. White was born in Worcester on May 25, 1924, the son of Arthur H. and Blanche R. (Michaud) White. He graduated from Classical High School, Worcester, and attended the College of the Holy Cross before he was admitted to Holy Cross College, where he earned a bachelor’s degree in philosophy and the Grand Seminary in Montreal, Canada. He was ordained on Dec. 19, 1962, in Rome by Archbishop Martin J. O’Connor of New York.

He was an assistant and associate pastor of parishes in Connecticut, Pennsylvania, New York, and Massachusetts.

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Rev. John E. Horgan

The Rev. John E. Horgan was born Dec. 4, 1946, in Worcester, the son of John F. and Helen (Lindsay) Horgan. He graduated from St. Mary’s Regional Senior High School in Worcester, where he graduated in 1964. He continued studies from 1966 to 1971 at St. Mary Seminary, Baltimore. He was ordained a priest May 1, 1972, at St. Stephen Church, the Parish Church of the Diocese of Worcester, and was appointed pastor of Our Lady of the Holy Rosary Parish in Gardner, Massachusetts, in December 1972. Incorporation in the legal form for the attachment of a priory or of a particular jurisdiction such as an ecclesiastical province or of a religious institute was created in 1978.

On Oct. 1, 1984, he was named pastor of St. John Parish, Framingham. On Oct. 30, 1989, he was appointed pastor of St. Joseph Parish, Auburndale, where he served as the sole pastor since 2012. In 1990, with Father Thomas E. Mahoney, he was named co-pastor of Holy Angels and St. Michael the Archangel Parish in Worcester. In 2000, with Father Thomas E. Mahoney, he was appointed pastor of Holy Angels and St. Michael the Archangel Parish in Fitchburg. He served in this capacity until January 2007.

On June 26, 1992, he was named pastor of Holy Angels Parish. In October 2001, Bishop McMahon established the Angelic Order of the Archdiocese in Philadelphia, which doubled the seating capacity of the church to 500, including 1,200 people, and added a new community center. On April 1, 2003, he was named pastor of Holy Angels Parish by Bishop Bernard J. Flanagan. He has been active in the Worldwide Marriage Encounter movement for more than 40 years, presenting weeklong seminars, serving as a board member of the Worcester area, and sitting on the National Board as part of the secretariat staff.

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Five priests are celebrating their 45th anniversary, having been ordained in 1977. They are Fathers Paul M. Rondeau, Laurence Vincent Reuel, Conrad S. Peccevich, and Thomas M. Tokarz, and Msgr. Thomas J. Sullivan.

Also marking significant anniversaries are Father Patrick J. Hawkinson, still another of his ordina- tion in 1977, and Father Angel R. Matos, 25th anni- versary of his ordination in 1998.

These liturgies will be presided, unless noted otherwise, by Father Conrad S. Peccevich, pastor of Our Lady of Good Counsel Parish in Worcester.

The Chrism Mass gathers the diocesan family to celebrate the unity of all persons who have been anointed with Holy Chrism at baptism, confirmation and holy orders.

EASTER THURSDAY
April 14, 10 a.m. Office of Readings (7:30 p.m.) and Mass of the Lord’s Supper, bilingual. This Mass also marks the beginning of the Easter Sacred Paschal Code, commemorating the institution of the Eucharist and the priesthood.

EASTER SUNDAY
April 17, 7:30 a.m. Stations of the Cross, 12:10 p.m., outdoor Stations of the Cross in downtown Worcester led by Bishop McManus (no broadcast). Stations begin at St. John Church and end at St. John the Baptist Cathedral. Confessors will be available at the cathedral immediately following the conclusion of the Stations.

EASTER VIGIL
April 13, 9 p.m. Mass of Easter Vigil, bilingual. This marks the beginning of the Paschal mystery, the liturgy of the Easter Paschal Cenacle, and the beginning of the Paschal Easter Triduum.

EASTER SUNDAY
April 17, 7:30 a.m. Mass of Easter Sunday, in English, noon Mass celebrated by Bishop McManus, in Spanish (no broadcast).

GOOD FRIDAY
April 15, 8 a.m. Office of Readings, 7:30 a.m., Mass of the Word, in Spanish (no broadcast). The Good Friday Mass of the Word begins in darkness with the lighting of the Easter Paschal Cenacle, which begins after sunset.

HOLY THURSDAY
April 14, 7:30 a.m. Office of Readings and Eucharist and the priest presiding, unless noted. The reception of the Holy Thursday Chrism to be used for the administration of the sacraments throughout the diocese.

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In his early priestly years, Father Horgan served as associate pastor at St. Mary’s in Worcester and as pastor of Holy Spirit in Auburndale. In 1983 he was assigned to Sacred Heart of Jesus in Gardner, St. Pius X in Leicester, Sacred Heart in Leominster, and St. Joseph in Auburn. He served as pastor in the parishes of St. Joseph Parish in Auburn following the closing of St. Margaret Mary Parish in 2004. He was assigned as associate pastor at St. Paul Basilica, by Bishop Bernard J. Pharr on July 1, 2019, he was named pastor of St. Mary Parish.

He was ordained on Nov. 21, 1980, at St. Paul Basilica, by Bishop Bernard J. Pharr. He has served as associate pastor at the parishes of St. Joaquin of Aragon and St. Pius X, Leominster, and St. Bridget, Millbury.

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