



Official Ministry Appointments
Effective 13 July 2021 (unless otherwise indicated)

Retirement

Father John Gossman will retire from active ministry, having reached the retirement age some years ago, after serving as Pastor of St. Patrick Parish in Clear Lake, and Sacred Heart Parish in Rockwell.

Father Stephen Meyer will retire from active ministry, having reached the retirement age, after serving as Pastor of St. Thomas Aquinas Parish in Webster City, and St. Mary Parish in Williams, and co-Dean of the Mason City Deanery.

Pastor

Father Josh Link will be re-assigned as Pastor of St. Patrick Parish in Clear Lake, Sacred Heart Parish in Rockwell, and Chaplain at Newman Catholic School System in Mason City, after serving as Associate Pastor of Epiphany Parish in Mason City, and Sacred Heart Parish in Manly.

Father Francis Kwame Anane Yeboah, a priest of the Diocese of Techiman in Ghana, will be assigned as Pastor of St. Thomas Aquinas Parish in Webster City, St. Mary Parish in Williams, and SS. Peter and Paul Parish in Gilbert.

Due to the departure of Father Michael Hutchison for further study, at his Bishop's request, **Father Anthony Boahen Nketiah**, a priest of the Diocese of Konongo-Mampong in Ghana, will be re-assigned as Pastor of St. Mary of Mt. Carmel Parish in Eagle Center, Sacred Heart Parish in La Porte City, and St. Paul Parish in Traer, after serving as Associate Pastor of St. Francis Xavier Parish in Dyersville, St. Joseph Parish in Earlville, St. Boniface Parish in New Vienna, SS. Peter and Paul Parish in Petersburg, and St. Paul Parish in Worthington.

Father Benjamin Nkrumah, a priest of the Archdiocese of Kumasi in Ghana, will be re-assigned as Pastor of St. Athanasius Parish in Jesup and St. Francis Parish in Barclay, after serving as Pastor of SS. Peter and Paul Parish in Gilbert, and sacramental priest at St. Cecilia Parish in Ames and St. Thomas Aquinas Parish in Ames.

Due to the departure of Father Pierre Joseph, **Father Dennis Conway** will be re-assigned as Pastor of Immaculate Conception Parish in Cedar Rapids and St. Wenceslaus Parish in Cedar Rapids, effective 29 March 2021, after serving as Pastor of St. Michael Parish in Belle Plaine, St. Joseph Parish in Chelsea, and St. Patrick Parish in Tama.

Father Michael McAndrew will be re-assigned as Pastor of St. Michael Parish in Belle Plaine, St. Joseph Parish in Chelsea, and St. Patrick Parish in Tama, after serving as Associate Pastor at St. Francis of Assisi Parish in Marshalltown.

Pastoral care of Sacred Heart Parish in Oxford Junction will once again be the responsibility of the Archdiocese of Dubuque, and **Father Greg Bahl** will be re-assigned as Pastor, as well as Chaplain of Mt. Mercy University in Cedar Rapids, and continuing his ministry as Director of the archdiocesan Office of Worship, after serving as Associate Pastor of the Cathedral of St. Raphael Parish in Dubuque, and St. Patrick Parish in Dubuque.

Renewal of term

Father Robert Gross will have his tenure extended for a second six-year term as Pastor of St. Aloysius Parish in Calmar, Our Lady of Seven Dolors Parish in Festina, St. Francis de Sales Parish in Ossian, and St. Wenceslaus Parish in Spillville.

Father John Haugen will have his tenure extended for a second six-year term as Pastor of St. Patrick Parish in Colesburg, St. Mark Parish in Edgewood, St. Joseph Parish in Elkader, St. Mary Parish in Strawberry Point, and Sacred Heart Parish in Volga.

Associate Pastor

After **Deacon Jacob Dunne** is ordained a priest, he will be assigned as Associate Pastor of Epiphany Parish in Mason City, and Sacred Heart Parish in Manly.

Father Martin Gyan Obeng, a priest of the Diocese of Techiman in Ghana, will be assigned as Associate Pastor at St. Francis Xavier Parish in Dyersville, St. Joseph Parish in Earlville, St. Boniface Parish in New Vienna, SS. Peter and Paul Parish in Petersburg, and St. Paul Parish in Worthington.

After **Deacon Kyle Tietz** is ordained a priest, he will be assigned as Associate Pastor of St. Francis of Assisi Parish in Marshalltown.

After **Deacon Martin Coolidge** is ordained a priest, he will be assigned as Associate Pastor of the Cathedral of St. Raphael Parish in Dubuque, and St. Patrick Parish in Dubuque, with chaplaincy duties, together with Father Andy Upah, at Holy Family Catholic Schools in Dubuque.


Father Philip Kwabena Agyei, a priest of the Diocese of Konongo-Mampong in Ghana, will be assigned as Associate Pastor of Resurrection Parish in Dubuque.

Special Assignment

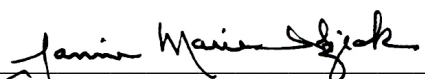
Father Frantz Augustin, a priest of the Diocese of Forte-Liberte in Haiti, will be assigned as sacramental priest of St. Mary Parish in Ackley, St. Mary Parish in Eldora, St. Patrick Parish in Hampton, and St. Mark Parish in Iowa Falls, while pursuing further studies.

Father Alan Dietzenbach will be assigned as the Director of the First-Five-Year Priest Program, in addition to his present duties, taking over from Father Dustin Vu, who has asked to be relieved.

Father Jeffrey Dole will be re-assigned to do further study, after serving as Pastor of St. Athanasius Parish in Jesup and St. Francis Parish in Barclay.


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