

INSTITUTE OF CHRIST THE KING SOVEREIGN PRIEST



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Dear faithful,

With joyful gratitude we thank Divine Providence that the increase of priestly vocations to the Institute makes it possible for us to prepare the opening of a new national retreat house for the Institute in southeastern Wisconsin while also answering the invitations of Bishops to open new apostolates in their Dioceses. Upon the conclusion of our Institute's annual Chapter, the following priestly assignments were made by the Institute's leadership and approved by the local Most Reverend Bishops.

- Canon Aaron Huberfeld is appointed Director of Sacred Heart Retreat Center in Burlington, Wisconsin, while maintaining his duties as Vice Provincial of the U.S. province, Chaplain of the Society of the Sacred Heart and Rector of Saint Mary's Oratory in Wausau, Wisconsin, in the Diocese of La Crosse.
- Canon Andrew Todd, who has until now served as Rector of Old Saint Patrick's Oratory in Kansas City, Missouri, is named General Manager of Sacred Heart Retreat Center in Burlington, Wisconsin.
- Canon Michael Stein is appointed Rector of Old Saint Patrick's Oratory in Kansas City, Missouri, while maintaining his duties as Assistant Chaplain of the Society of the Sacred Heart.
- Canon Pierre Dumain, who has until now been Vicar at St. Francis de Sales Oratory in St. Louis, Missouri is appointed Rector of Saint Paul's Oratory in Warren, Massachusetts, a new apostolate of the Institute in the Diocese of Worcester, Massachusetts.
- Canon James Hoogerwerf, who has until now been Chaplain to the Institute's Oratory in the Diocese of Gary, Indiana, is now appointed Rector of Saint Elizabeth Shrine in Cleveland, Ohio, a new apostolate of the Institute.
- Canon Luke Zignego is appointed Chaplain to the Institute's Oratory in the Diocese of Gary, Indiana, while maintaining his duties at the direction of the Provincial Superior.
- Canon Brian Bovee, who has until now served as Rector of Saint Anthony of Padua Oratory in West Orange, New Jersey, will be serving as auxiliary priest in the Midwest with semi-retirement status.
- Canon Adrian Sequeira, who has been Vicar at St. Joseph's Shrine in Detroit, Michigan, is appointed Rector of Saint Anthony of Padua Oratory, in West Orange, New Jersey, in the Archdiocese of Newark.

- Canon Matthew Weaver, who has until now been Vicar at the Shrine Church of Saints Peter, Paul, and Philomena in New Brighton, United Kingdom (Diocese of Shrewsbury), is appointed Rector of Saint Patrick Oratory in Waterbury, Connecticut, in the Archdiocese of Hartford.
- Canon Joel Estrada, who has until now been Rector of Saint Patrick Oratory in Waterbury, Connecticut, will be in the service of His Eminence, Raymond Leo Cardinal Burke.
- Canon Stephen Sharpe, who has until now been in the service of His Eminence, Raymond Leo Cardinal Burke, will become Vicar of Saint Joseph Shrine in Detroit, Michigan.
- Canon Bryan Silvey, who has until now served as Vicar at Saint Gianna Oratory in Tucson, Arizona, is appointed to serve in Rome, Italy, at the Basilica of Saints Celso and Giuliano.
- Canon Jacob Wells, who was ordained to the priesthood earlier this year, is appointed Vicar of St. Francis de Sales Oratory.
- Canon Gerald Bell, who was ordained to the priesthood earlier this year, is appointed Vicar of St. Francis de Sales Oratory.
- Father Michael Kowalewski, who has until now been serving at St. Francis de Sales Oratory in Saint Louis, Missouri during a time of discernment with the Institute with the permission of his Bishop, will be serving at Saint Gianna Oratory in Tucson, Arizona.

As always, our priests will continue to serve your souls in the spirit of the Institute of Christ the King, so that a healthy continuity of the sacramental and pastoral life in every apostolate remains guaranteed. With sincere gratitude to all of you, dear faithful, for your support of our Institute's work and mission, I ask for your continual prayers during this month of Our Lady of the Most Holy Rosary as we strive to serve the Blessed Lord as priests according to His Heart wherever the Church sends us to administer her sacraments and to announce the Gospel of salvation in truth and with charity.

Yours very cordially in Christ the King,

Rev. Canon Matthew Talarico
U.S. Provincial Superior