Priests' Assignments – April 22, 2025

Bishop Wack is pleased to announce the following assignments for service in our diocese. All assignments are effective July 1, 2025, unless otherwise noted.

Rev. James Valenzuela (Currently serving as Rector of the Cathedral of the Sacred Heart), to serve as <u>Pastor</u> of St. Rita (Santa Rosa Beach).

Rev. Stephen Olson (Currently serving as Parochial Vicar, St. Paul) to serve as <u>Rector</u> of the Cathedral of the Sacred Heart.

Rev. Luke Farabaugh (Currently serving as Parochial Vicar, Co-Cathedral of St. Thomas More) to serve as <u>Pastor</u>, St. Thomas More (Pensacola).

Rev. Nicholas Schumm (Formerly serving as pastor of St. Thomas More, Pensacola), leave of absence and continued formation, until a new assignment can be made, effective March 25, 2025.

Rev. Yozefu (Joseph) Ssemakula (Currently assisting in hospital ministry and Joseph House in Tallahassee) to serve as <u>Pastor</u>, St. Francis of Assisi (Blountstown).

Deacon Chris Holcomb (To be ordained a priest (*God willing*) on May 31, 2025), to serve as <u>Parochial Vicar</u>, Co-Cathedral of St. Thomas More.

Deacon Peter Jutras (To be ordained a priest (*God willing*) on May 31, 2025), to serve as <u>Parochial Vicar</u>, St. Rita (Santa Rosa Beach).

Deacon Grant Sennott (To be ordained a priest (*God willing*) on May 31, 2025), to serve as <u>Parochial Vicar</u>, St. Paul (Pensacola).

Deacon William Gibson (To be ordained a priest (*God willing*) on May 31, 2025), to serve as <u>Parochial Vicar</u>, St. Ann (Gulf Breeze) and Our Lady of the Assumption (Pensacola Beach).

Deacon Fernando Díaz Olazábal to serve and assist as <u>Deacon</u>, St. Dominic (Panama City), effective June 1, 2025.

Msgr. Luke Hunt – after serving our diocese faithfully and lovingly for over 53 years, to retire and assist when possible in the diocese.

There are a few more assignments to be made, and those will be announced as soon as they are finalized. Let us thank God for the faithful service of these and all of our beloved priests.