

PRIEST TRANSFERS 2021



Diocese of Worcester

Pastoral changes announced by Bishop McManus

Effective July 1, 2021

New Pastors



Rev. Hugo A. Cano
from co-director of the Holy Name of Jesus House of Studies, Worcester, to rector, St. Paul Cathedral Parish, Worcester



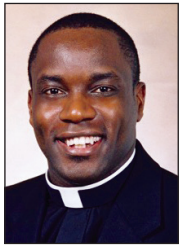
Rev. Juan D. Escudero
from pastor, St. Denis Parish, Douglas, to pastor, St. Rose of Lima Parish, Northborough



Rev. Edwin Montaña
from pastor, Our Lady Immaculate and St. Francis of Assisi parishes, Athol, and St. Peter Parish, Petersham, to pastor, Immaculate Conception Parish, Worcester



Rev. Msgr. James P. Moroney
from rector, St. Paul Cathedral Parish, Worcester, to pastor, St. Cecilia Parish, Leominster



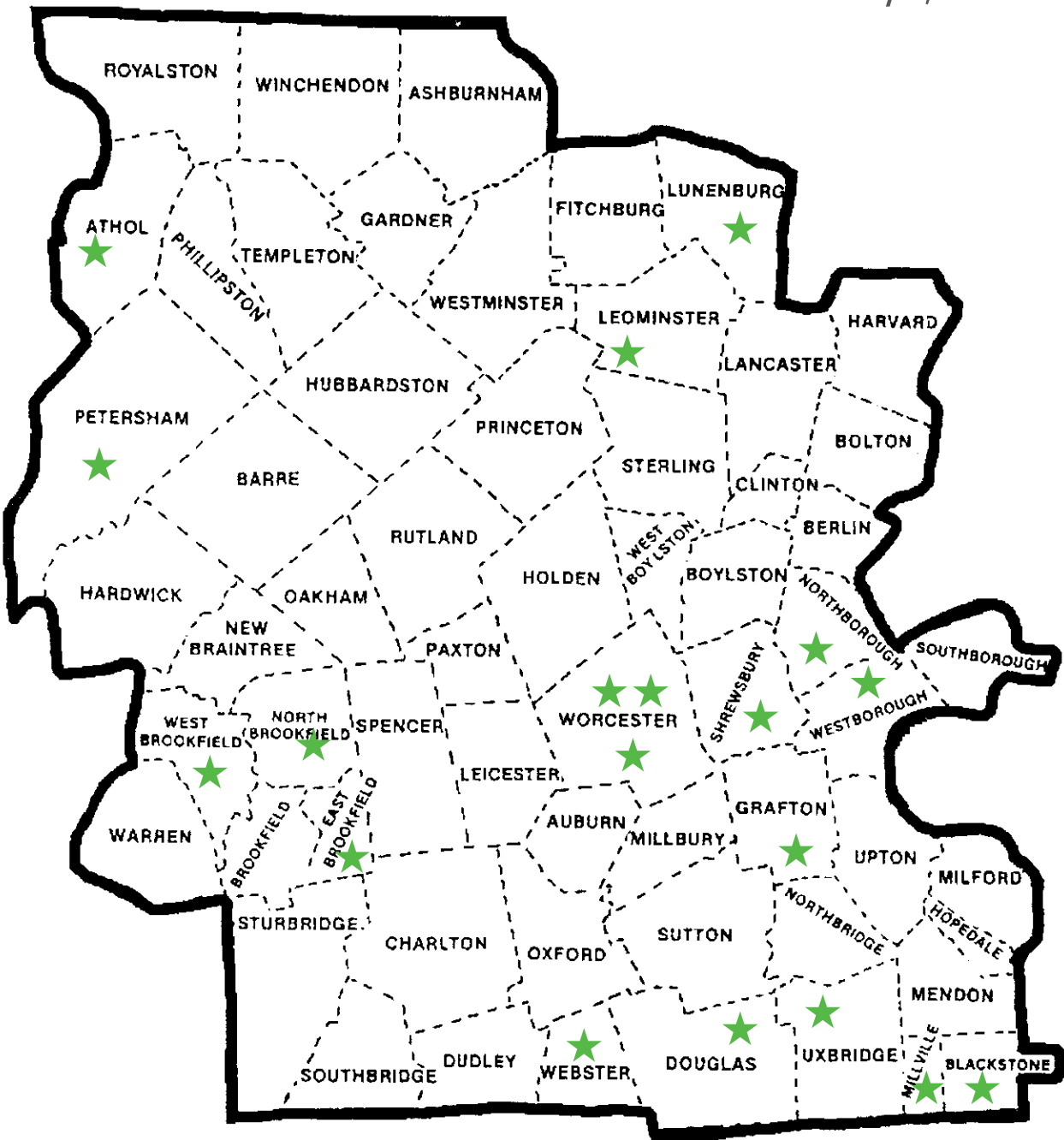
Rev. Anthony J. Mpagi
from pastor, St. Boniface Parish, Lunenburg, to pastor, St. James Parish, South Grafton



Rev. Walter J. Riley
from pastor, Immaculate Conception Parish, Worcester, to pastor, St. Luke the Evangelist Parish, Westborough



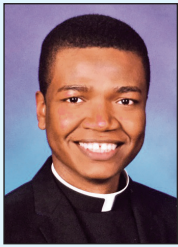
Rev. Nelson J. Rivera
from pastor, St. Joan of Arc Parish, Worcester, to pastor, St. Denis Parish, Douglas



New Administrators



Rev. Andres A. Araque
from associate pastor, St. Anne Parish, Shrewsbury, to administrator, St. Anne Parish, Shrewsbury



Rev. Wilmar J. Ramos
from associate pastor, St. John Paul II Parish, Southbridge, to administrator, St. Joan of Arc Parish, Worcester



Rev. Nicholas Desimone
to administrator, Good Shepherd Parish, Linwood; St. Augustine Parish, Millville; and St. Paul Parish, Blackstone, while remaining pastor, St. Mary Parish, Uxbridge



Rev. Joseph D. Rice,
from associate pastor, St. Luke the Evangelist Parish, Westborough, to administrator, St. Joseph Parish, North Brookfield; St. John the Baptist Parish, East Brookfield; and Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Parish, West Brookfield



Rev. Javier Julio
from associate pastor, St. Mary Parish, Shrewsbury, to administrator, St. Louis Parish, Webster



Rev. Mateus Souza
from associate pastor, St. Cecilia Parish, Leominster, to administrator, Our Lady Immaculate and St. Francis of Assisi parishes, Athol, and St. Peter Parish, Petersham



Rev. Charles P. O. Omolo
from associate pastor, St. Joseph Parish, Charlton, to administrator, St. Boniface Parish, Lunenburg, and chaplain to Fitchburg State University

Retiring Priests



Rev. John J. Foley
from pastor, St. Anne Parish, Shrewsbury



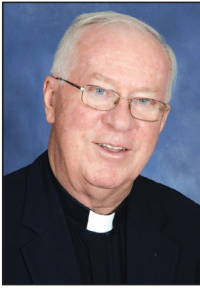
Rev. John F. Hamm
from diocesan sacramental ministry



Rev. Chester J. Misiewicz
from pastor, Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Parish, West Brookfield



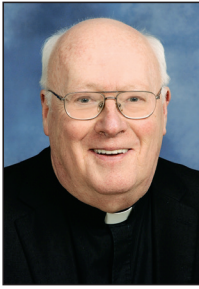
Rev. Msgr. Michael G. Foley
from pastor, St. Luke the Evangelist Parish, Westborough



Rev. James A. Houston
from pastor, St. Rose of Lima Parish, Northborough



Rev. Francis J. Roach
from Catholic chaplain, UMass Memorial Health Care, University Campus (Effective Sept. 1)



Rev. William F. Sanders
from pastor, St. Louis Parish, Webster

‘We are always priests with all our soul and with all our heart. Being an **ambassador of Christ** ... is a mission that penetrates our entire being.’

Pope Francis