



St. Ambrose Church
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St. Mary Church
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St. Mary Church
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July 18, 2021

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

julio 18, 2021

Décimo sexto domingo del tiempo ordinario

Off the Top of My Head...

I'm very happy to announce that we have hired Daniel LeRose as the new Director of Operations for the Anderson-Alexandria Pastorate. Daniel goes by "Buddy" and that's what I'll call him in this column.

To quote the official job description for this position, the "Director of Operations will serve as professional administrator and strategic leader...in a Pastorate of the Diocese of Lafayette-in-Indiana. The Director of Operations will work closely with the Pastor and Principal to drive positive financial performance of the Parishes/Schools. The Director of Operations assists the Pastor with the stewardship of the human, financial, and physical resources of the Parish, in accordance with diocesan policies and guidelines. This role will have responsibility for leadership of operations staff."

Buddy, a long-standing member of St. Louis de Montfort parish in Fishers, has been very active in a wide variety of ministries encompassing spiritual formation, liturgical ministry, service, and parish leadership.

Buddy's career has been in the insurance business in the areas of claims management and team leadership. He is leaving this career behind because he has discerned a call to serve the Lord and his Church.

As a "numbers person," committed Catholic, family man, servant leader, and a hard worker with a desire for ministry, Buddy will be an indispensable part of our Pastorate leadership team. (And I was overjoyed to learn that his professional experience has included innumerable building inspections. He knows buildings, and, as I said to him during our interview, "We have buildings!")

In some cases, in the diocese, including our own, the Director of Operations is more than a full-time job. Here in the Anderson-Alexandria Pastorate, there are three parishes and two schools (not to mention ten buildings, if I have remembered them all). And although Buddy is a "numbers person," he is not a professional accountant. We plan to hire an accountant who will report to Buddy.

Harriett Russel, who has served the Anderson parishes as Business Manager for eight years, is looking forward to retiring. She will stay with us for an undetermined "overlap" period, during which she will help to orient both Buddy and the new accountant in their responsibilities. I'm grateful to Harriett for her willingness to be of such assistance and support. (The time to wish her Happy Retirement will come...but is not here yet!) Buddy begins his new position here July 26. Welcome to the Anderson-Alexandria Pastorate, Buddy LeRose!

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Pastor: Father Tom Metzger-fr.tmetzger@dol-in.org, Father Dave Hellmann-fr.dhellmann@dol-in.org,
 Father Marty Sandhage-fr.msandhage@dol-in.org, Deacon Mike Burns-deaconmikeb@gmail.com
 Business Manager: Harriett Russel-Anderson-Alexandria Pastorate
 Parish Secretaries: Anita Myers & Jan Adams M-W-F, Madison King St. Mary Alexandria
 Holy Cross School Principal: Tina Neal
 St. Mary School Principal: Rachel Duckworth

Pensamiento del Padre Tom...

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Estoy muy feliz de anunciar que hemos contratado a Daniel LeRose como el nuevo Director de Operaciones de la Pastoral Anderson-Alexandria. Daniel se hace llamar "Buddy" y así es como lo llamaré en esta columna.

Para citar la descripción oficial del trabajo para este puesto, el "Director de Operaciones servirá como administrador profesional y líder estratégico... en una Pastoral de la Diócesis de Lafayette-in-Indiana. El Director de Operaciones trabajará de cerca con el Pastor y el Director escolar para impulsar el desempeño financiero positivo de las Parroquias / Escuelas. El Director de Operaciones ayuda al Pastor con la mayordomía de los recursos humanos, financieros y físicos de la Parroquia, de acuerdo con las políticas y pautas diocesanas. Esta función tendrá la responsabilidad del liderazgo del personal de operaciones ".

Buddy, es un miembro de larga trayectoria de la parroquia St. Louis de Montfort en Fishers, ha sido muy activo en una amplia variedad de ministerios que abarcan formación espiritual, ministerio litúrgico, servicio y liderazgo parroquial.

La carrera de Buddy ha estado en el negocio de los seguros en las áreas de gestión de reclamaciones y liderazgo de equipos. Está dejando atrás esta carrera porque ha discernido un llamado a servir al Señor y a su Iglesia.

Como una "persona de números", católico comprometido, hombre de familia, líder de servicio y un gran trabajador con un deseo de ministerio, Buddy será una parte indispensable de nuestro equipo de liderazgo Pastoral. (Y me alegró mucho saber que su experiencia profesional ha incluido innumerables inspecciones de edificios. Conoce los edificios y, como le dije durante nuestra entrevista, "¡Tenemos edificios!")

En algunos casos, en la diócesis, incluida la nuestra, el Director de Operaciones es más que un trabajo de tiempo completo. Aquí en la pastoral Anderson-Alexandria, hay tres parroquias y dos escuelas (sin mencionar diez edificios, si los recuerdo todos). Y aunque Buddy es una "persona de números", no es un contador profesional. Planeamos contratar a un contador que se reportará a Buddy.

Harriett Russel, quien ha trabajado en las parroquias de Anderson como Gerente Comercial durante ocho años, espera jubilarse. Ella permanecerá con nosotros por un período indeterminado de "superposición", durante el cual ayudará a orientar tanto a Buddy como al nuevo contador en sus responsabilidades. Agradezco a Harriett por su disposición a ser de tanta ayuda y apoyo. (Llegará el momento de desearle una feliz jubilación ... ¡pero aún no ha llegado!)

Buddy comienza su nuevo cargo aquí el 26 de julio.

¡Bienvenido al pastorado Anderson-Alexandria, Buddy LeRose!

Fr. Tom Metzger
Julio 18, 2021

CONFESSION TIMES ON SATURDAYS AT ST. MARY, ANDERSON, will be 1:00-2:00 PM until further notice, to enable social distancing, Confessions will take place in the sacristy. St. Ambrose will be 4:00-5:00 PM. St. Mary Alexandria will be 3:30-4:00 PM

HORARIO DE CONFESIÓN LOS SÁBADOS EN SANTA MARIA, ANDERSON, será de 1:00-2:00 PM. Hasta nuevo aviso, para permitir el distanciamiento social, las Confesiones se llevarán a cabo en la sacristía. St. Ambrose será de 4:00-5:00 PM. St. Mary Alexandria será de 3:30-4:00 PM

STEWARDSHIP

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St. Ambrose

YTD Giving \$ 225,836 YTD Expenses \$ 165,767

St. Mary

YTD Giving \$ 280,963 YTD Expenses \$ 201,947

St. Mary Alexandria

YTD Giving \$ 321,102 YTD Expenses \$ 351,604

visit our website - [www.https://stambrosestmary.org](https://stambrosestmary.org)

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St. Mary Anderson—<https://osvhub.com/stmaryanderson/funds>

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday	July 19	8:00 AM	St. Ambrose	Poor Souls
Tuesday	July 20	8:00 AM	St. Ambrose	Betty Brownfield
Wednesday	July 21	8:00 AM 8:00 AM 11:30 AM	St. Ambrose St. Mary Alex. St. Vincent Hosp.	Kathryn Cole George Dewey Mehling Family Amy Sczesny
Thursday	July 22	8:00 AM	St. Mary And.	Paul & Virginia Loftus
Friday	July 23	8:00 AM 8:00 AM	St. Mary Alex. St. Ambrose	Marcella Tuerff Ronald Rhoten
Saturday	July 24	4:00 PM 4:30 PM 5:30 PM	St Mary And. St. Mary Alex. St. Ambrose	Intentions of the Priests in South America Pro Populo Harry & Sue O'Connor
Sunday	July 25	7:30 AM 8:30AM 9:30 AM 11:30 AM	St. Mary And. St. Mary Alex. St. Ambrose St. Mary And.	John Frossard Bill Clabaugh Frances (Max) Pettigrew Daivd Levi

Next Sunday's Reading - Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Lectura del próximo domingo - Decimoséptimo Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

2 Kings 4:42-44

Psalm 145:10-11, 15-18

Ephesians 4:1-6

John 6:1-15

2 Reyes 4:42-44

Salmo 145:10-11, 15-18

Efesios 4:1-6

John 6:1-15

Bulletin Deadline: To have announcements published in the Anderson-Alexandria Pastorate Bulletin, please email them to stambrose2801@gmail.com by Thursday at 12:00 Noon (at the latest) for publication the following week-end.

Anuncios para el boletín: Para publicar anuncios en el Boletín de la Pastora Anderson-Alexandria, envíe un correo electrónico a stambrose2801@gmail.com antes de los jueves a las 12:00 del mediodía (a más tardar) para su publicación en el fin de semana siguiente.

Spiritual Life

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Weekday Mass Schedule Change

Beginning Thursday, July 29th, we will celebrate Thursday morning Mass at St. Mary's in Anderson at 8:30 am and St. Ambrose at 8:10 am on Friday, July 30th. These times will enable participation by the students of the two campuses of Holy Cross School. Resumption of the 8:00 am Monday Mass at St. Mary's in Anderson and the 8:00 am Thursday Mass at St. Ambrose will not take place until after Fr. Dave Hellmann has recovered sufficiently from knee replacement surgery, which takes place in early August. Thank you for your patience. All are invited to weekday Mass at the three parishes of the Pastorate: St. Mary's in Alexandria, St. Mary's in Anderson, and St. Ambrose.

Eucharistic Adoration at St. Mary (Alexandria)

Adoration of our Blessed Jesus in the Eucharist is held the third Sunday of each Month at St. Mary, Alexandria after the 8:30 am Sunday Mass. Look for sign-up sheets in the Narthex to sign up for a particular time from 9:30 am-12:30 pm. Adoration concludes at 12:30 pm with a simply reposition of the Blessed Sacrament. All are welcome!

Masses at the Hospital

Unfortunately, Masses said at the hospital are still closed to the public. Hopefully soon the restriction will be lifted but until then public is not allowed.

NEW COVID PROTOCOLS: All Catholics, with exceptions for obvious health reasons, will be obliged to participate in Sunday Masses. For more information, see the website of the Diocese of Lafayette in Indiana, <https://dol-in.org/covid-19-updates>. The following COVID protocols will be in place in Anderson-Alexandria Pastorate.

All Masses except 11:30 am:

- One section of pews in each church will be reserved for those wearing masks. In that section, every other pew will be closed to enable social distancing.

11:30 Mass only:

- In the main church and in the balcony, masks will be required and every second pew closed.
- In the church annex, masks will be encouraged but optional.

At all Masses:

- The use of masks, hand sanitizer, and social distancing are still strongly encouraged for all, in order to stop the spread of the COVID virus, especially during Communion. Masks and hand sanitizer will continue to be supplied by the parishes. Clergy and Communion Ministers will wear masks and use hand sanitizer before and after distributing Communion. As the COVID virus is transmitted primarily through exposure to respiratory fluids, until further notice clergy and lay Communion Ministers will continue to distribute Communion only in the hand. At that point when we begin taking up the collection during Mass, ushers will wear masks while passing the basket. The Sign of Peace is reinstated and should take place without physical contact (e.g. a bow of the head or a wave).

Rosary at the Grotto (St. Mary Alexandria)- Everyone is invited to join the parishioners of St. Mary, Alexandria for our annual Rosary at the Grotto event which is held on the 13th of each month through October at 7:00 PM. Plan to gather at the outside parish grotto (to the west of the school playground) to recite the rosary. This week the intentions are for Albert Duffy and Deanna Miller. This year, to commemorate the Year of St. Joseph, we also plan to recite a litany to St. Joseph. Bring blankets and/or your lawn chairs and be sure to dress for outdoor weather. In case of stormy weather, the rosary will be recited in the church.

Special Intentions- If you have special intentions you would like to put on the prayer line or would like to help with this ministry please Call Betty Worden (765) 642-0824.

Save the Date: St. Mary (Alexandria) 125th Celebration

Friends and families: Save the date of Saturday, September 11th after the 4:30pm Mass! St. Mary Catholic Church and School (820 W. Madison St. in Alexandria) will be commemorating the 125th anniversary of the foundation of the original church. More information to come on this celebration of Faith, Family and Fun! For more information, contact Jenny Chapel via voice/text (765)749-0848 or email larryjennychapel@gmail.com.

Se cancelarán misas

Las misas en St. Ambrose el miércoles 25 de agosto y el viernes 3 de septiembre están canceladas. Siéntase libre de ir a St. Mary en Alexandria ambos días para la misa a las 8:00 AM.

Nuevos Protocolos Covid

SE LEVANTA LA DISPENSACIÓN DE LA OBLIGACIÓN DOMINICAL DE ASISTIR A LA MISA EN TODO EL ESTADO DE INDIANA: Esto significa que, a excepción de situaciones únicas que se describen a continuación, aquellos que por lo demás están sanos están obligados a participar en misa.

- Aquellos que están gravemente enfermos, presentan síntomas similares a los de la gripe Y / o Pueden tener una enfermedad contagiosa (incluyendo la cuarentena debido a la exposición).
- Aquellos que no pueden asistir a Misa por causas ajenas a su voluntad (por ejemplo, problemas de transporte).
- Aquellos que están confinados en casa y / o discapacitados debido a la edad, enfermedad y / o restricciones médicas.
- Aquellos que tienen condiciones de salud comprometidas y / o con alto riesgo de contraer el virus.
- Aquellos que son cuidadores de personas enfermas o de personas con alto riesgo de enfermedades grave si contraen el virus Covid.

Si tiene alguna pregunta sobre necesidades, inquietudes o protocolos específicos, le recomendamos que se comuniquen directamente con la parroquia. Como su pastor, el P. Tom tiene la autoridad para dispensar en casos individuales y él y el P. Marty y el P. Dave puede ser útil para abordar los miedos y preocupaciones individuales.

Información sobre doctrina y preparación sacramental

2021-2022 Las clases de doctrina y las clases de preparación sacramental comenzarán el 12 de septiembre. La inscripción en el lugar se llevará a cabo después de las misas de fin de semana a partir del 14 de agosto. Comuníquese con Christine Vincent-Rodas si tiene preguntas antes de los fines de semana de inscripción. Puede ser contactada por mensaje de texto al 765-374-5064 o llame al 765-644-8467. También puede enviarle un correo electrónico a cvincent-rodas@parish.dol-in.org.

Por favor, considere en oración ayudar como catequista. Necesitamos 2-3 catequistas para cada grado. Se ofrecerán capacitaciones para catequistas la semana del 23 de agosto. Por favor, sepa que sin su ayuda, no podemos ofrecer clases de formación en la fe y preparación sacramental para los jóvenes de nuestras parroquias. Comuníquese con Christine para obtener más información.

VACUNACIÓN CONTRA LA COVID: Cualquier persona de 12 años o más ahora puede programar una cita para la vacunación contra la COVID-19 en el estado de Indiana. Para registrarse, inicie sesión en <https://vaccine.coronavirus.in.gov/en-US/> o llame al 211 (866-211-9966) si no tiene acceso a una computadora o necesita ayuda. También se aceptan citas sin cita previa en la mayoría de los lugares de vacunación. Ambas opciones brindan servicios en español e inglés.

Volunteers for Right to Life Needed

Madison County Right to Life needs pro-life people/families to work their booth at the 4-H Fair, July 19-24. This is a great family project and a great way to teach children about being “pro-life”. Shifts are from 5-7 and 7-9 pm, Mon.–Sat. For more information or to schedule a time, call or text Regina Culbertson, 765-639-9909.

Religious Education and Sacrament Prep Information

2021-2022 Religious Education classes as well as Sacrament Preparation classes will begin September 12th. Onsite registration will be held after weekend Masses beginning August 14th. Please contact Christine Vincent-Rodas if you have questions prior to the registration weekends. She can be reached by text at 765-374-5064 or call 765-644-8467. You may also email her at cvincent-rodas@parish.dol-in.org.

Please prayerfully consider helping as a catechist. We need 2-3 catechists for each grade. There will be catechist trainings offered the week of August 23rd. Please know that without your help, we cannot offer faith formation and sacramental preparation classes for the young people of our parishes. Please contact Christine for more information.

St. Joseph Helpers

On Thursday, July 29th at 6:00 PM the St. Joseph Helpers will meet in Zimmer Hall.

Daughters of Mary: Social Gathering on Tuesday, July 27th at 6:PM

Calling all women 18 years older: Are you new to the St. Mary Alexandria parish? Or, do you want to learn how to help others or just meet other women of the parish? In July, the Daughters of Mary women’s ministry is hosting a short regular monthly meeting followed by a social gathering. Join us at St. Mary Alexandria (Zimmer Hall) on **Tuesday, July 27th at 6:pm**. We plan to have games, snacks, drinks, and fun time!

For more information about Daughters of Mary, contact Fran Crist (voice/test 765-639-2107). Also, look for flyers and information about the Daughters of Mary in the Narthex!

Knights of Columbus (1225 Main St. Anderson)

Rummage sale is August! We will be accepting donations on July 19,21,23,26,28, & 30 for their rummage sale on August 12-15. Please call Joe @ 765-606-8711 to set up a time that you will be dropping of your treasures or if you need to do it on another day. More on the times of the sale will be forthcoming.

Registration Deadline Approaching for Marriage Healing Program

Retrouvaille is program that has been helping hurting marriages around the world for more than 40 years. The Indianapolis-area community holds two weekends each year and last year served couples from Indiana, Ohio, Kentucky and Illinois. If you are arguing constantly, feeling angry, frustrated or thinking about separating; if you wish that you could reconnect or build a stronger, more satisfying relationship; or if you experienced a crisis that leave you feeling broken or in despair, there is hope. Retrouvaille offers tools to help you rediscover a loving marriage relationship. The next Indianapolis Retrouvaille program begins August 13-15, 2021. For confidential information and to register, visit www.HelpOurMarriage.org, email: RetrouIndy@gmail.com or call 317-489-6811.

COVID VACCINATION: Anyone age 12 and older may now schedule a COVID-19 vaccination appointment in the State of Indiana. To register, log on to <https://vaccine.coronavirus.in.gov/en-US/> or call 211 (866-211-9966) if you do not have access to a computer or need assistance. Walk-in appointments are also accepted at most vaccination sites. Both options provide services in Spanish and English.

St. Mary Catholic School in Alexandria, is seeking to hire a full-time middle school teacher for the 2021-2022 school year. Teacher assignment: 7th and 8th grade classroom teacher St. Mary School Alexandria. Start date: August 4, 2021 Candidate should possess the following: A bachelor’s degree or higher from an accredited college or university; A valid Indiana Teaching License; Excellent written and oral communication skills; Believes in cooperative, hands on learning strategies for education; Knowledge of Indiana Middle school education standards; Desire to incorporate the Catholic faith into daily lessons; Ability to collaborate, as a part of a learning community, with colleagues; Candidates who model Catholic beliefs, practices, and values are preferred; Application candidates should submit their cover letter and resume to Rachel Duckworth rduckworth@stmaryalex.net or contact the school office at 765.724.4459.

CATHOLIC MINISTRY APPEAL: Parishioners are encouraged to continue paying their unpaid personal pledges as any surplus payments will go toward satisfying the overall Pastorate goal.

Part-time Cafeteria Position

Holy Cross South Campus has an open position in the cafeteria from approximately 9:00 AM - Noon for 2 to 3 days. If you are interested or know someone that might be, please call the St. Ambrose Rectory at 644-5956.

Catholic Community of Anderson Soup Kitchen Ministry

Resurrection is our call to do what is right in this world. If we come to Mass, share the scriptures, stand together at the altar and receive Communion, then we are compelled to carry the implications of the Mass into the world, especially through the corporal works of mercy. The risen Christ waits for us to serve him in the poor, in the hungry, thirsty, naked, abandoned people around us. The message could not be clearer: If you say you love me, come and find me in these, your least brothers and sisters. "As long as you do it to one of these, you have done it to me" (Matt 25:31-46). The Catholic Community of Anderson Soup Kitchen Ministry is seeking men and women who have a call from the Lord to feed the hungry at the Christian Center. We will be serving the last Wednesday of the month, 4:15 pm. to 6:15 p.m. Two meals will be served: One for the men of the Center and the second for the community at large. For more information call Ron Cole at 779-4302 or (317) 701- 1170.

SOUP KITCHEN MENU "For I was Hungry and you gave me Food." (Mt 25:35)

The Catholic Community of Anderson encourages **everyone to bring any of the following food items** to church and place them in baskets during the weekend Masses on July 24th & 25th.

15 oz. cans of diced potatoes; Stick of or package of butter; Onions; 1 Package of American cheese; Box of Saltine crackers; 29 oz. or gallon size can of fruit.

These items will be used to prepare 20 gallons of Cream of Potato soup and other menu items to be served on July 28th.

5th Annual Serra Series Softball Game

The Priests and the Seminarians will play their 5th annual softball game between each other. This will be held on Friday, July 30th at the Kokomo Municipal Stadium. Gates open at 6:00 PM. Pregame starts at 6:45 PM and the first pitch is at 7:00 PM. The Cost is \$5.00 per person or \$20.00 per family. This is an awesome family-friendly event and they would like the parish families to join them for a night at the ballpark!

USCCB Is Celebrating Natural Family Planning Week July 25-31.

Natural Family Planning (NFP) is a unique form of fertility education. Specifically, NFP is the title for the moral, natural and healthy, modern and scientifically reliable methods of family planning. These methods teach married couples how to identify and understand their combined signs of fertility. This information then helps married couples plan to achieve or postpone a pregnancy. NFP is morally good because it helps married couples respect God's design for married love. (Theresa Notare, PhD, Assistant Director, NFP Program, United States Conference of Catholic Bishops). Questions? Contact Susan Hoefer, NFP Coordinator at shoefer@dol-in.org / (765) 421-1998.

Kroger

Thank You to everyone who uses their Kroger community Rewards for Holy Cross School. This past quarter we received \$240.52 from Kroger. 94 households have joined. Please sign up at <https://www.pay-less.com>. HCS Account– FK539. This does not affect your fuel rewards.

Coffee Sales

We are getting closer to normal! Coffee Sales will be August 7th & 8th. They will be on the first weekend of every month in the St. Mary Anderson Church Annex after the Masses.



FROM THE UNITING IN HEART TEAM

As pastorates across the diocese continue to work through the implementation of Bishop Doherty's Uniting in Heart 2030 Pastoral Plan in their local parishes, a vital component and support piece comes from the role of the pastorate consultant.

"As the Uniting in Heart Pastoral Plan was being formulated, clergy requested that we provide as many resources as possible for success," said Father Ted Dudzinski, Vicar General for the diocese. "Outside of praying for the Holy Spirit to guide us," he continued, "we also realized we did not have

the internal capacity within the Chancery to provide the necessary resources for the standardization of processes that was being sought. Nevertheless, assisting in a smooth implementation of those processes and the plan was key to our success, so the idea of the transitional position of Pastorate Consultant was developed."

The role of the pastorate consultant is to create consistent communication between the diocese and the pastorates, identifying strengths, opportunities for growth, and an overall understanding of how Uniting in Heart will look in their pastorates. The National Initiative to Address Economic Challenges Facing Pastoral Leaders through the religion division of Lilly Endowment Inc. is providing some funding for these positions.

Three pastorate consultants, Deacon Dan Finn, Missy Krockover and Molly Clark, have been split up to assist different pastorates across the three deaneries of the diocese. As part of their mission to assist the bishop in implementing the vision of the pastoral plan, it's important that they assist their pastorates as they work through the transition, helping them build their leadership team

and begin the process of drafting their three-year rolling pastoral plan.

With all change comes its challenges, and this year has certainly been a challenge in itself due to COVID-19. Through it all, the diocese continues to focus on evangelizing the Church using the 3 Pillars of Mission, Community and Witness as its' guidepost.

"Opening our hearts and minds to learn something new and investing in the development of others is a celebration of the gifts and talents that God has bestowed on each of us," Clark said. "In the spirit of renewal and through personal and team development, we become more effective at impacting the higher mission of Uniting in Heart by growing disciples of Jesus Christ."

"This summarizes beautifully the role of the Pastorate Consultant and really, the character of each Pastorate Consultant, a missionary disciple filled with the Holy Spirit," said Father Dudzinski.



BEHOLD, I MAKE ALL THINGS NEW

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FROM THE UNITING IN HEART TEAM

A medida que los pastorados de la diócesis continúan trabajando en la implementación del Plan Pastoral Uniting in Heart 2030 del Obispo Doherty en sus parroquias locales, el papel del consultor pastoral es una pieza de apoyo y un componente vital.

"Mientras se formulaba el Plan Pastoral Uniting in Heart, el clero solicitó que proporcionáramos tantos recursos como fuera posible para su éxito", dijo el Padre Ted Dudzinski, Vicario General de la diócesis. "Aparte de orar para que el Espíritu Santo nos guíe", continuó, "también nos dimos

cuenta de que no teníamos la capacidad interna dentro de la Cancillería para proporcionar los recursos necesarios para la estandarización de los procesos que se buscaba. No obstante, era clave para nuestro éxito ayudar a una implementación fluida del plan y sus procesos, por lo que se desarrolló la idea del puesto de transición de Consultor Pastoral".

El papel del consultor pastoral es crear una comunicación consistente entre la diócesis y los pastorados, identificando fortalezas, oportunidades de crecimiento y una comprensión general de cómo se verá Uniting in Heart en sus pastorados. La Iniciativa Nacional de Lilly Endowment Inc. para Abordar los Desafíos Económicos que Enfrentan los Líderes Pastorales está proporcionando algunos fondos para estos puestos.

Tres consultores pastorales, el diácono Dan Finn, Missy Krockover y Molly Clark, se han dividido para ayudar a diferentes pastorados en los tres decanatos de la diócesis. Como parte de su misión de ayudar al Obispo a implementar la visión del plan pastoral, es importante que asistan a sus pastores a medida que avanzan en la transición, ayudándolos

a formar su equipo de liderazgo y comenzar el proceso de redacción de su plan pastoral para los próximos tres años.

Con todo cambio vienen sus desafíos, y este año ciertamente ha sido un desafío en sí mismo debido al COVID-19. A pesar de todo, la diócesis continúa enfocándose en evangelizar la Iglesia usando como guía los 3 pilares de la misión, la comunidad y el testimonio.

"Abrir nuestros corazones y mentes para aprender algo nuevo e invertir en el desarrollo de los demás es una celebración de los dones y talentos que Dios nos ha otorgado a cada uno de nosotros", dijo Clark. "Con el espíritu de renovación y a través del desarrollo personal y de equipo, nos volvemos más efectivos y con mayor impacto en la gran misión del plan pastoral Uniting in Heart de hacernos crecer como discípulos de Jesucristo".

"El papel y características de cada Consultor Pastoral, puede ser descrito en esta frase: "El Consultor Pastoral es un discípulo misionero lleno del Espíritu Santo", dijo el Padre Dudzinski.



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