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Official Appointments for the Diocese of Fargo

Most Rev. Samuel J. Aquila, Bishop of Fargo, has made the following appointments and/or decrees:

Rev. William Gerlach has been appointed Pastor of St. Charles Borromeo Parish in Oakes and St. Mary's Parish in Forman, effective on June 29, 2011. This appointment will be for a six-year term.

Rev. Thomas J. Krupich has been appointed Pastor of St. Augustine's Parish in Fessenden, St. Patrick's Parish in Hurdsfield and Holy Family Parish in McClusky, effective on June 29, 2011. This appointment will be for a six-year term.

Rev. Jerome Okafor has been appointed Pastor of Holy Rosary Parish in LaMoure, Assumption Parish in Dickey and St. Raphael's Parish in Verona, effective on June 29, 2011. This appointment will be for a six-year term.

Rev. Peter J. Anderl has been appointed Pastor of St. Anthony's Parish in Mooreton and Sts. Peter and Paul's Parish in Mantador, for a second term of six years, beginning June 29, 2011.

Rev. Samuel O. Ezeibekwe has been appointed Pastor of St. John Nepomucene's Parish in Pisek, Sts. Peter and Paul's Parish in Bechyne and St. Joseph's Parish in Lankin, for a second term of six years, beginning June 29, 2011.

Rev. Jerald L. Finnestad has been appointed Pastor of St. Aloysius' Parish in Lisbon and St. Vincent Parish in Gwinner, for a second term of six years, beginning June 29, 2011.

Rev. James P. Gross has been appointed Pastor of St. Cecilia's Parish in Velva and Sts. Peter and Paul's Parish in Karlsruhe, for a second term of six years, beginning June 29, 2011.

Rev. Timothy Johnson has been appointed Pastor of St. Bernard of Clairvaux's Parish in Oriska, St. Agatha's Parish in Hope and Sacred Heart Parish in Sanborn, for a second term of six years, beginning June 29, 2011.

Rev. Jake A. Miller has been appointed Pastor of St. Joachim's Parish in Rolla and Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish in Rock Lake, for a second term of six years, beginning June 29, 2011.

Rev. Daniel M. Mrnarevic has been appointed Pastor of St. Mary's Parish in Grand Forks, for a second term of six years, beginning June 29, 2011.

Rev. Joseph A. Okogba has been appointed Pastor of St. Edward's Parish in Drayton and Assumption Parish in Pembina, for a second term of six years, beginning June 29, 2011.

Rev. Jude Okafor has been appointed Administrator of St. Boniface's Parish in Walhalla, and Sts. Nereus and Achilleus' Parish in Neche. This appointment is effective June 29, 2011, and continues for one year.

Rev. Jason Asselin has been appointed Parochial Vicar of St. Joseph's Parish in Devils Lake, with residence in the St. Joseph's parish rectory. This appointment is effective June 29, 2011, and continues ad nutum episcopi.

Rev. Anthony L. Hession has been appointed Parochial Vicar of St. Mary's Cathedral Parish in Fargo, with residence in the St. Mary's Cathedral parish rectory. This appointment is effective June 29, 2011, and continues ad nutum episcopi.

Rev. Christopher J. Markman has been appointed Parochial Vicar of Nativity Parish in Fargo with residence in the parish rectory. This appointment is effective July 6, 2011 (following his July 1 anticipated ordination) and continues until Sept. 30, 2011.

Rev. Neil J. Pfeifer has been appointed Parochial Vicar of St. Michael's Parish in Grand Forks, with residence in the St. Michael's parish rectory. This appointment is effective July 2, 2011, (following his July 1 anticipated ordination) and continues ad nutum episcopi. Prior to his ordination, he will serve as a transitional deacon at St. Michael's Parish in Grand Forks, with residence at the same.

Rev. Peter Sharpe has been appointed Parochial Vicar of Sts. Anne & Joachim Parish in Fargo, with residence in the Sts. Anne & Joachim parish rectory. This appointment is effective June 29, 2011, and continues ad nutum episcopi.

Rev. William V. Callery has been granted permission to retire from active ministry as a priest of the Diocese of Fargo effective June 29, 2011.

Rev. Msgr. Robert Laliberte has been granted permission to retire from active ministry as a priest of the Diocese of Fargo effective Aug. 16, 2011.

Rev. John A. McGinnis has been granted permission to retire from active ministry as a priest of the Diocese of Fargo with an effective date of July 1, 2011.

Rev. Andrew Jasinski has been appointed Interim Director of the diocesan office of Catholic Education and Formation as a half-time position and Parochial Vicar of Holy Cross Parish in West Fargo as a half-time position. These appointments are effective July 6, 2011, and continue ad nutum episcopi.

Rev. Msgr. Gregory J. Schlesselmann has been appointed Director of the Permanent Diaconate Program for the Diocese of Fargo. This appointment is effective Aug. 19, 2011, and continues ad nutum episcopi. He will reside in the St. Anthony of Padua's parish rectory in Fargo. He is also permitted to work with the Institute of Priestly Formation (IPF) in Omaha, Neb., during the 2011- 2012 academic year on seminary formation. He will also work with IPF for its 10-week summer program each summer through 2015.

Rev. Kurtis L. Gunwall has been assigned to reside at St. Benedict's of Wild Rice in Horace. This assignment of residence begins on June 29, 2011, and remains in effect ad nutum episcopi.

Rev. Peter M. Hughes, CSSp has been assigned to reside at Holy Spirit in Fargo. This assignment of residence begins on May 25, 2011, and remains in effect ad nutum episcopi.

Rev. Robert Irwin has been assigned to reside at Sts. Anne & Joachim in Fargo. This assignment of residence begins on June 29, 2011, and remains in effect ad nutum episcopi.

Very Rev. Kazimiers S. Kopacz has been assigned to reside at Blessed Sacrament in West Fargo. This assignment of residence begins on June 29, 2011, and remains in effect ad nutum episcopi.

Rev. Mr. Gregory Alan Haman to serve as a transitional deacon at Holy Family Parish in Grand Forks, N.D., with residence at the same, for the period from June 8, 2011, to August 3, 2011.

Rev. Mr. Daniel Edward Musgrave to serve as a transitional deacon at St. Therese the Little Flower Parish in Rugby, N.D., with residence at the same, for the period from June 8, 2011, to August 3, 2011.

Rev. Mr. Reese John Weber to serve as a transitional deacon at St. Catherine's Parish in Valley City, N.D., with residence at the same, for the period from June 8, 2011, to August 3, 2011. The following assignment was made in agreement with Rev. Gerard J. Sheelan, SOLT, Regional Priest Servant of the Society of Our Lady of the Most Holy Trinity of Robstown, Texas, and confirmed by Bishop Samuel J. Aquila:

Rev. Paul Hu, SOLT, has been appointed Parochial Vicar of St. Ann's Parish in Belcourt and its mission parishes, effective May 1, 2011, and continuing ad nutum episcopi.