



OFFICIAL APPOINTMENTS

The Most Rev. Paul D. Etienne, having carefully assessed the needs of the People of God in the Archdiocese of Seattle and after careful consultation with the Christian Faithful and the Priest Personnel Board, makes the following pastoral appointments in accord with the 1983 Code of Canon Law effective July 1, 2025, unless otherwise noted. Additional appointments will be forthcoming.

PASTOR


The term of office for Pastor in the Archdiocese of Seattle is generally six years.

 **Very Rev. Gary F. Lazzeroni**, appointed Pastor for parish **Family #17**, Christ Our Hope, Immaculate Conception, and St. James Cathedral (Seattle), while continuing to serve as Vicar General, Vicar for Strategic Pastoral Planning and Priest Moderator for parish Family #18, St. Joseph and St. Therese (Seattle).

 **Rev. John Patrick DePalma**, appointed Pastor for parish **Family #41**, St. Edward (Shelton) and St. Michael (Olympia).

PASTORAL COORDINATOR

The term of office for Pastoral Coordinator in the Archdiocese of Seattle is generally one to three years.

 **Deacon Stephen J. Wodzanowski**, appointed Pastoral Coordinator for parish **Family #18**, St. Joseph and St. Therese (Seattle), effective November 2, 2024.

PRIEST MODERATOR

The term of office for Priest Moderator in the Archdiocese of Seattle is generally one to three years.

 **Very Rev. Gary F. Lazzeroni**, appointed Priest Moderator for parish **Family #18**, St. Joseph and St. Therese (Seattle), effective November 2, 2024, while continuing to serve as Vicar General and Vicar for Strategic Pastoral Planning.

PARISH PRIEST

The term of office for Parish Priest in the Archdiocese of Seattle is generally one to three years.

 **Rev. Michael S. Bayard, S.J.**, appointed Parish Priest for parish **Family #18**, St. Joseph and St. Therese (Seattle), effective November 2, 2024.


 **Rev. Philip L. Boroughs, S.J.**, appointed Parish Priest for parish **Family #18**, St. Joseph and St. Therese (Seattle), effective November 2, 2024.

PAROCHIAL VICAR


The term of office for Parochial Vicar in the Archdiocese of Seattle is generally one to three years.

 **Rev. Gerardo Rodriguez, CMF**, appointed Parochial Vicar for **Family #2**, Assumption and Sacred Heart (Bellingham), St. Anne Mission (Blaine), St. Joachim Mission (Lummi), St. Joseph (Ferndale), St. Joseph (Lynden) and St. Peter Mission (Deming).

 **Rev. Dwight P. Lewis**, appointed Parochial Vicar for **Family #4**, St. Augustine (Oak Harbor), St. Hubert (Langley) and St. Mary Mission (Coupeville).

 **Rev. Juan Carlos Rivera Zelaya**, appointed Parochial Vicar for parish **Family #6**, Our Lady of Hope (Everett) and St. Anne Mission (Tulalip).

 **Rev. Paul T. J. Nkolombidzo**, appointed Parochial Vicar for parish **Family #14**, St. Alphonsus, St. Benedict and St. John the Evangelist (Seattle).

 **Rev. Sylvester M. Chanda**, appointed Parochial Vicar for parish **Family #17**, Christ Our Hope, Immaculate Conception and St. James Cathedral (Seattle).

 **Rev. Francis K. Thumbi**, appointed Parochial Vicar for parish **Family #17**, Christ Our Hope, Immaculate Conception and St. James Cathedral (Seattle).

 **Rev. Mahesh Babu Narapamu, SHS**, appointed Parochial Vicar for parish **Family #21**, Our Lady of Lourdes and St. Bernadette (Seattle) and St. Francis of Assisi (Burien).

 **Deacon Joseph A. Tapia-Beeman**, appointed Parochial Vicar for parish **Family #23**, St. Anthony and St. Stephen the Martyr (Renton); to be ordained to the priesthood on June 7, 2025.

 **Rev. Raphael Ambadan**, appointed Parochial Vicar for parish **Family #25**, Holy Innocents (Duvall), St. Anthony of Padua Mission (Carnation) and St. Jude (Redmond).

 **Rev. Randy A. Guarino**, appointed Parochial Vicar for parish **Family #28**, Mary, Queen of Peace (Sammamish), Our Lady of Sorrows (Snoqualmie) and St. Joseph (Issaquah).

PAROCHIAL VICAR  
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**Rev. John Paul Tomassi**, appointed Parochial Vicar for parish **Family #31**, St. Theresa and St. Vincent de Paul (Federal Way).



**Rev. Anthony M. Kitema**, appointed Parochial Vicar for parish **Family #34**, All Saints (Puyallup), Sacred Heart (Tacoma) and St. Martin of Tours (Fife).



**Rev. Chad K. Hill**, appointed Parochial Vicar for parish **Family #41**, St. Edward (Shelton) and St. Michael (Olympia).



**Rev. Maurice M. Mamba**, appointed Parochial Vicar for parish **Family #41**, St. Edward (Shelton) and St. Michael (Olympia), effective March 1, 2025.



**Rev. Maximiliano A. Muñoz Guerra**, appointed Parochial Vicar for parish **Family #48**, Our Lady of Good Help (Hoquiam), Our Lady of the Olympics Mission (Amanda Park), St. Jerome (Ocean Shores), St. John Mission (Montesano), St. Joseph (Elma), St. Mary (Aberdeen) and St. Paul Mission (Westport).



**Most Rev. Paul D. Etienne, DD, STL**  
Archbishop of Seattle

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**Rev. Sung Jun Park**, appointed Parochial Vicar for parish **Family #57**, St. Paul Chong Hasang (Fife), effective March 20, 2025.

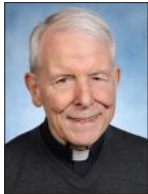
CHAPLAIN

The term of office for Chaplain in the Archdiocese of Seattle is generally one to three years.



**Rev. Andrii Oliinyk**, appointed Chaplain for First Hill Hospital Ministry (Seattle).

SENIOR PRIEST



**Very Rev. Michael G. Ryan** to be pastor emeritus for **Family #17**, Christ Our Hope, Immaculate Conception and St. James Cathedral (Seattle).



**Benjamin Altenhofen**  
Chancellor

**PASTOR:** A priest appointed by the archbishop and delegated as the leader of a particular parish entrusted to him. The pastor’s role, expressed in its threefold mission of teaching, governing and sanctifying (CIC, c. 519), empowers the laity for their mission as light and leaven in the world.

**PASTORAL COORDINATOR:** A deacon, religious or lay ecclesial minister appointed by the archbishop under the supervision of a priest moderator and entrusted with the day-to-day leadership of a parish (CIC, c. 517 §2).

**PRIEST MODERATOR:** A priest appointed by the archbishop with powers and faculties of a pastor of a parish. His role is to monitor and mentor the pastoral coordinator and parish priest(s) and to act as canonical pastor to the parish community to whom a pastoral coordinator has been appointed.

**PAROCHIAL VICAR:** A priest who renders service in pastoral ministry as a co-worker with the pastor and sharing service in pastoral ministry through common counsel and effort and under his authority (CIC, c. 545 §1-2).

**PARISH PRIEST:** A priest appointed by the archbishop to provide priestly ministry in a particular parish in collaboration with the pastor or pastoral coordinator.

**CHAPLAIN:** A priest appointed by the archbishop to provide pastoral care to a faith community within the archdiocese (CIC, c. 564).

**SENIOR PRIEST:** A priest who has been granted senior status in writing by the archbishop and either no longer has a continuous ministry assignment in service to the archdiocese or has less than a half-time assignment from the archbishop.