

DIOCESE OF NELSON

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PASTORAL APPOINTMENTS

Summer, 2011

To the Priests, Religious and Faithful of the Diocese of Nelson

Dear brothers and sisters,

With the approval of the Board of Consultors, I am pleased to make the following Pastoral Appointments effective on July 25, 2011:

West Kootenay Deanery

Fr. Marcel Coté is appointed pastor of the Parish of Sacred Heart (Grand Forks) and the Missions of Sacred Heart (Greenwood) and Christina Lake.

Fr. Joseph Kizhakethottathil, M.S.T. is appointed pastor of the Parishes of St. Rita (Fruitvale) and Sacred Heart (Rossland) and the Mission of Sacred Heart (Salmo). He will reside in Fruitvale.

Fr. Matthieu Gombo, O.F.M.Cap. is appointed pastor of the Parishes of Our Lady of Perpetual Help (Trail) and St. Francis/St. Anthony (Trail). He will reside at Our Lady of Perpetual Help.

East Kootenay Deanery

Fr. Neil Lustado is appointed assistant pastor of the parishes of Canadian Martyrs (Invermere) and Sacred Heart (Golden) and the Mission of St. Joseph (Radium) from 04 June until 9 October 2011.

Fr. Peter Tompkins is appointed pastor of the parishes of St. Mary (Cranbrook) and Christ the Servant (Cranbrook) and the Mission of St. Eugene (St. Eugene Native Reserve). He will reside at Christ the Servant.

North Okanagan Deanery

Fr. Conrado Beloso is appointed pastor of the Parishes of St. Edward (Winfield) and Holy Spirit (Kelowna). He will reside in Winfield.

Fr. Sebastian Puthenpura is appointed pastor of Immaculate Conception Parish (Kelowna).

Fr. Louie Jimenez is appointed assistant pastor of Immaculate Conception Parish (Kelowna).

Fr. Patrick Monette is appointed pastor of St. Charles Garnier Parish (Kelowna).

Fr. Wayne Pfliger is appointed pastor of Our Lady of Lourdes Parish (Westbank) and the Mission of St. Patrick (Westbank Native Reserve).

Fr. Aaron de Dios is appointed assistant pastor of Our Lady of Lourdes Parish (Westbank) and the Mission of St. Patrick (Westbank Native Reserve).

South Okanagan Deanery

Fr. Rex Velmonte is appointed pastor of the Parishes of St. John Vianney (Penticton) and St. Anne (Penticton) and the Mission of Sacred Heart (Penticton Native Reserve).

Fr. Neil Lustado is appointed assistant pastor of the Parishes of St. John Vianney (Penticton) and St. Anne (Penticton) and the Mission of Sacred Heart (Penticton Native Reserve).

Fr. Gerald Craig, O.F.M.Cap. is appointed Administrator of the Parish of Christ the King (Oliver) and the Mission of Our Lady of Lourdes (Okanagan Falls).

Fr. Dave DeSouza is appointed pastor of the Parish of St. Anne (Osoyoos) and the Mission of Our Lady of Lourdes (Chopaka Native Reserve).

Other News

Fr. Leandro Murillo will return to his home Diocese of Legaspi (Philippines) in the summer of 2011. We are grateful to Father Leandro for his years of service in Grand Forks/Greenwood/Christina Lake.

Fr. Aaron de Dios will arrive in our Diocese at the end of August 2011. Fr. Aaron is incardinated in the Diocese of Legaspi (Philippines). He will serve our Diocese for five years.

Unless otherwise noted, these appointments are all effective on July 25, 2011.

Fraternally in Christ,

+ John, OFM Cap.

John Corriveau, OFM Cap.
Bishop of Nelson

June 1, 2011