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Dear Priests, Parishes, Parish Life Directors, Deacons, Seminarians and Catholic Pastoral Centre Staff:

Further to the announcements of June 18, 2020, and July 10, 2020, I am pleased to announce the following appointment and religious updates:

DEACON (Transitional)



Deacon Alfredo Medina, C.Ss.R., born and raised in Zactecas, Mexico, came to Canada to make his novitiate in 2013. He is a member of the Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer – Province of Canada, and ordained to the transitional diaconate in Toronto, Ontario, on September 3, 2020. Deacon Alfredo is on a temporary assignment for pastoral experience in diaconal ministry with St. Mary's Parish in Saskatoon beginning October 1, 2020.

RELIGIOUS UPDATES



Sr. Marta Piano of the Verbum Dei Missionary Fraternity has joined the Diocese of Saskatoon as an Apostolate Leader taking on various assignments in ministry. Sr. Marta joins us from Rome, Italy, and will begin ministry on October 1, 2020. We also look forward to the arrival of Sr. Malou Tibayan from the Philippines and Sr. Claudia Vázquez Díaz from Mexico, both of the Verbum Dei Missionary Fraternity, who will be joining in this ministry.



Robert Janiga from the Toronto area was invested as a novice for St. Peter's Abbey on July 11, 2020, on the feast of Saint Benedict. He was given the name Brother Denys and will make a year-long novitiate.



George Leberio is a member of St. Anne's Parish in Saskatoon. George joined the Companions of the Cross in Ottawa this fall and will spend the first year of formation in Assumption Farm in Combermere, Ontario.



Sr. Pamela Buchner, a previous member of St. Philip Neri Parish, Saskatoon, will make her lifetime profession of vows as a Sister of the Monastic Communities of Jerusalem at a celebration Saturday, Sept. 26 at St. Martin the Great Church in Cologne, Germany.

COMMUNITY UPDATES



Judy Gatin has concluded her work as Parish Life Director at St. Francis Xavier Parish in Saskatoon. Judy has now accepted a position as the Spiritual Care/Mission Leader with St Angela Merici Residence. The Diocese of Saskatoon joins St. Francis Xavier with gratitude to Judy Gatin for her faithful and dedicated ministry and service. We pray for God's abundant blessings on her future ministry.

Please join us in welcoming the new religious to our Diocese and celebrating all Brothers and Sisters who serve our Lord and His people through their communities. Please also continue to pray for those in transition and for those international clergy and religious as we await their arrival.

Sincerely in Christ,

✠ Most Reverend Mark A. Hagemoen
Bishop of Saskatoon