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

Further to the announcements made on May 21, 2021, I am pleased to announce the following clergy appointments and updates, all of which will be effective July 31, 2021, unless otherwise indicated.

#### **PASTORS**



**Fr. Prosper Abotsi**, Pastor at St. Anthony Parish, Lake Lenore, St. Ann's Parish, Annaheim, and St. Gregory Parish, St. Gregor. Fr. Prosper has been serving as the Parochial Administrator of this cluster of parishes since January 2021, and currently serves as the Associate Pastor at St. Augustine, Humboldt since 2019.



**Fr. Benjamin Ezekwudo**, Pastor, St. Michael's Parish, Cudworth, Canadian Martyrs Parish, Middle Lake, and St. Benedict Parish, St. Benedict. Fr. Benjamin will be joining us from the Archdiocese of Onitsha, Nigeria, where he has worked in high-school administration and has been serving as a priest for eleven years. Fr. Benjamin is expected to arrive and begin his appointment in August.



**Fr. Daniel Louh, SMA**, Pastor, Sts-Martyrs-Canadiens (La paroisse des Sts-Martyrs-Canadiens) effective July 31 and Associate Pastor at St. Mary's Parish, Saskatoon, effective December 4, 2021. Fr. Daniel will be assisting at St. Paul's Co-Cathedral until December. Fr. Daniel arrived on May 9, 2021, and joins us from the Society of African Missions after serving as Pastor in several parishes and African countries of Niger, Ghana, Ivory Coast and Liberia.



**Fr. Jean Baptiste Murhumwa**, Pastor, Sts. Donatien et Rogatien, Prud'homme, St. Denis, St. Denis, and St. Philippe Neri, Vonda. Fr. Jean is also to provide sacramental ministry to St. Thomas More College. Fr. Jean Baptiste has served as Pastor of Sts. Martyrs-Canadiens, Saskatoon, since his arrival in 2015.



**Fr. Andrew Wychucki**, Pastor, St. Aloysius, Allan, St. Alphonse, Viscount, and St. Mary, Colonsay. Fr. Andrew is also to provide ministry to the prisons. We welcome Fr. Andrew back from a one-year sabbatical.

**ASSOCIATE PASTORS**



**Fr. John Ezeorunye**, Associate Pastor, St. Augustine Parish, Humboldt. Fr. John will be joining us from the Archdiocese of Onitsha, Nigeria, and has served as a priest for nineteen years. Fr. John is expected to arrive in August.



**Fr. Michael Magaji**, Associate Pastor, Cathedral of the Holy Family, Saskatoon, effective December 4, 2021, or later date of arrival. Fr. Michel will be joining us from the Diocese of Kafanchan, Nigeria where he has served as a priest for nineteen years in various assignments including Episcopal Vicar.



**Fr. Alfredo Medina Ramos, CSsR**, Associate Pastor at St. Mary's Parish, Saskatoon upon arrival his anticipated in July until December, 2021. Fr. Alfredo was ordained to the priesthood on May 27, 2021, in Mexico, and exercised diaconal ministry at St. Mary's Parish this past year.

**BISHOP'S DELEGATES**



**Fr. Ken Beck**  
Delegate for Retired Clergy



**Fr. Gerard Cooper**  
Delegate for Finance



**Fr. Peter Ebidero**  
Delegate for *Fidei Donum* Priests



**Fr. Joseph Salihu**  
Delegate for Ecumenism and Interfaith



**Fr. Binu Rathappillil, VC**  
Delegate for Clergy Formation

## GREATER SASKATON CATHOLIC SCHOOLS



**Fr. Stefano Penna**  
Delegate for GSCS  
Board, Teacher and  
Staff Support



**Fr. Matthew Ramsay**  
Delegate for GSCS  
Religious Curriculum &  
Spiritual Direction  
Support

## CLERGY UPDATES



**Fr. Martin Augustin, SDB (Manickanamparambil)** was appointed by his Bishop to the Christ the King Syro-Malabar Catholic Community as of May 1, 2021, in place of Fr. Antony Ploggen who was given a new assignment in London, Ontario. The Syro-Malabar Community worships out of St. Michael's Parish, Saskatoon.

Please join us in welcoming the new priests to our diocese, continue to pray for those in transition, and for the international clergy as we await their arrival.

Sincerely in Christ,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "+ Mark Hagemoen".

✠ Most Reverend Mark A. Hagemoen  
Bishop of Saskatoon