

Office of the Bishop

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2017 Pastoral Appointments

Bishop Stephen Jensen announces the following pastoral appointments, effective Tuesday, August 1, 2017:

Rev. Louis Kwaku Anin*	Assistant Pastor, Sacred Heart Cathedral, Prince George
Rev. Rene Antonio	Pastor, Our Lady of Peace and Missions, Chetwynd
Rev. Fernando Cleopas, OSA***	Pastor, St. Joseph's Parish and Missions, Smithers
Rev. John Garden	Chancellor and Counselling Ministry at the Diocesan Pastoral Centre
Rev. Louis Kwena	Pastor, Church of the Resurrection, Fort St. John
Rev. Alvin Matias	Pastor, St. Peter's Parish, Mackenzie
Rev. Augustine Owusu**	Special ministry
Rev. Pier Pandolfo	Pastor, St. Joseph's Parish and Missions, Vanderhoof
Rev. Elizer Pelingo, OSA***	Administrator, St. Mary's Parish and Missions, New Hazelton
Rev. Miguel Rabino	Hospital chaplaincy and replacement ministry, Prince George
Rev. Venerando Sabacan	Pastor, Notre Dame Parish, Dawson Creek
Very Reverend Rectorino Tolentino, Jr.	Rector, Sacred Heart Cathedral, Prince George

*from the Archdiocese of Kumasi, Ghana, West Africa **from the Diocese of Goaso, Ghana, West Africa ***upon presentation by his Religious Superior

Carmelites Withdrawing from the Diocese

With sincere regret we bid farewell to Frs. Melvin Pinto and Ronald Sequeira, OCD, who will leave the diocese at the end of July. Their Carmelite Provincial communicated their Superior General's direction that the community review its presence in parishes in Canada in order to concentrate on their charism of spiritual direction and to build up their formation house in the Archdiocese of Vancouver.

Augustinians Arriving in the Diocese

We welcome members of the Order of St. Augustine from the Santo Niño de Cebu Province in the Philippines: <u>http://osacebu.org.ph</u>.

The Augustinians trace their origins to the first half of the thirteenth century, when several monastic communities in Tuscany, Italy joined together in a single community with a Rule and Way of Life written by Saint Augustine, the great fourth century Father and Doctor of the Church. The Augustinians reached the Philippines from Spain and Mexico in 1565.

"The spirituality of the Order proceeds from the following of Christ according to the teachings of the Gospel and the action of the Holy Spirit. Its principal point of reference is the teaching and example of Saint Augustine, complemented by the tradition of the Order. Following the example of Saint Augustine, love for the Church brings us to a total availability for its needs, accepting the tasks which the Church asks of us, according to the Charism of the Order."

(From the website of the Santo Nino de Cebu Province.)