

## **Office of the Bishop**

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## **2019 Pastoral Appointments**

Bishop Stephen Jensen announces the following pastoral appointments, effective Thursday, August 1, 2019:

Rev. Michael Ebomuche, MSsCc*	Pastor, Christ Our Saviour Parish, Prince George
Rev. Louis Kwena	Pastor, St. Mary's Parish and Missions New Hazelton
Rev. Jack Michalchuk	Pastor, St. Joseph's Parish and Mission Smithers
Rev. Augustine Owusu	Assistant Pastor, Sacred Heart Cathedral, Prince George

\*upon presentation by his Religious Superior

## **Other Changes**

Fr. Basil Burns, OSB will return to monastic life in St. Vincent's Archabbey in Latrobe, Pennsylvania.

Fr. Benjamin Gamos, OSA will return to the Augustinian community.

Three years ago, the Augustinian Province of Cebu in the Philippines agreed to establish a community of friars in the diocese consisting of two or three members. For several reasons, they have not been able to realize their plan and advised us that they have no one else to send. As community life is part of their vocation, Fr. Gamos will not remain here alone.

The Missionaries of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary (<u>www.missionofsacredhearts.org</u>) were founded by St. Gaetano Errico in Rome in the middle of the nineteenth century. His institute has spread from Italy around the world, including Europe, Africa, Asia and North and South America. Fr. Michael Ebomuche, MSsCc will be joined by a second priest to establish the congregation's first mission in Canada.

The Missionaries' Directory and Constitution declares: "We are called to live the love of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary in a spirit of reparation, expiation and sacrifice in order to become messengers of their love."