

Clergy Assignments

Diocese of Saint John

May 29, 2023

The Most Reverend Christian Riesbeck, CC, Bishop of Saint John, announces the following clergy assignments effective July 3, 2023, unless otherwise noted.

Rev. Callistus Abazie, SMMM is appointed Parochial Administrator of St. John Paul II Parish (St. Vincent de Paul, Oromocto, St. Francis of Assisi, Lincoln, and St. Bridget's, Gagetown). Father Charles Udeh, SMMM will be returning to his religious community.

Father John Beaumaster has been granted health leave but will be doing occasional ministry.

Rev. Owen Burns is reappointed Pastor of St. Mark's Parish, Quispamsis, N.B. for a term of six years.

Rev. Cornelius Ngurukwen, SMMM is appointed Parochial Administrator of St. Marguerite Bourgeoys Parish, Miramichi (St. Mary's, Miramichi, St. Ann's, Esgenoopetitj, St. Samuel's, Douglastown, Sts. Peter and Paul, Bartibog Bridge, and St. Joachim's, Eel Ground). Father Godwin Kalu, SMMM will be returning to his religious community.

Father Stephen Mawhinney is appointed Parochial Vicar at Immaculate Conception Parish, Saint John effective June 1, 2023.

Father Antonio Reyes is appointed Rector/Recteur of the Miramichi Francophone Catholic community (Notre-Dame-de-l'Espérance) at Église de l'Ascension, Beaverbrook, effective April 17, 2023. He remains Parochial Vicar at St. Michael the Archangel, Miramichi.

Father David Rioux is appointed Parochial Vicar at St. Michael the Archangel Parish, Miramichi, effective June 1, 2023.