



DIOCESE OF KALAMAZOO
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Bishop Edward M. Lohse announces diaconal ministry appointments

April 15, 2024 (KALAMAZOO, MICH.): The Most Reverend Edward M. Lohse has made the following diaconal ministry appointments. The appointments are effective immediately.

Deacon Carlos Alfaro has been appointed *pro tempore* to the diaconal ministry for Immaculate Conception Parish, Hartford.

Deacon Jose Alfaro, Jr., has been appointed *pro tempore* to the diaconal ministry for San Felipe de Jesus Parish, Fennville.

Deacon Andrew Boyd has been appointed *pro tempore* to the diaconal ministry for Holy Angels Parish, Sturgis.

Deacon Ricardo Cardiel Pedraza has been appointed *pro tempore* to the diaconal ministry for Holy Angels Parish, Sturgis.

Deacon Matthew Derby has been appointed *pro tempore* to the diaconal ministry for St. Joseph Parish, St. Joseph.

Deacon Phillip Green has been appointed *pro tempore* to the diaconal ministry for St. Rose of Lima Parish, Hastings.

Deacon Charles (Chuck) Kincaid has been appointed *pro tempore* to the diaconal ministry for St. Joseph Parish, Battle Creek.

Deacon Doran Lefave has been appointed *pro tempore* to the diaconal ministry for St. Catherine of Siena Parish, Portage.

Deacon Jerónimo Méndez Guitierrez has been appointed *pro tempore* to the diaconal ministry for St. Basil Parish, South Haven.

Deacon Thomas O'Connor has been appointed *pro tempore* to the diaconal ministry for Sacred Heart Parish, Watson.

Deacon John Putman, a deacon of the Diocese of Joliet, has been appointed to the diaconal ministry for St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception Parish, Niles, until June 30, 2027.

Deacon Jason Schmidt has been appointed *pro tempore* to the diaconal ministry for St. Joseph Parish, St. Joseph.

Deacon Gary Stafford, a deacon of the Archeparchy of Pittsburgh, has been appointed to the diaconal ministry for St. Monica Parish, Kalamazoo and to the pastoral care for the sick, Borgess Hospital and Bronson Methodist Hospital, Kalamazoo, until December 31, 2026.

Deacon Brian Willshire has been appointed *pro tempore* to the diaconal ministry for SS Cyril & Methodius Parish, Wayland.

Deacon Anthony Wojcik has been appointed *pro tempore* to the diaconal ministry for St. Joseph Parish, Battle Creek.