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A Pastoral Letter Concerning

The Need for Priests

in the Diocese of Lake Charles (This document is also available on the Diocesan website, www.lcdiocese.org)

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June 27, 2004

Dear People of God:

Fewer Priests: A Nationwide Trend

On Thursday, July 1, 2004 the new pastoral appointments of our priests for this year that I announced on June 7th, will take effect. Stories about these appointments appear this weekend in The Southwest Catholic and the American Press. These appointments, which are the result of extensive consultation and a considerable amount of prayer and reflection may seem insignificant to you. They effect only six parishes and ten priests. Catholics who live in parishes where no change is taking place this year may be thinking that these appointments by the Bishop really have no impact on their parish and their lives of faith as followers of Jesus Christ. But if anyone thinks that, they are mistaken. The truth of the matter is that these appointments will, in time, have a direct impact on every parish

Last month we all read news accounts of the decision of the Archbishop of Boston to close sixty parishes and the decision of the Archbishop of Newark to reconfigure forty-eight parishes. I know both of these Archbishops well. These painful decisions were not made in haste. They were not made by Bishops insensitive to how much the people loved their parishes. These decisions were made out of necessity. This necessity was brought about not only because there was not enough money to keep the parishes open, but also because there were not enough priests to serve them.

This is part of a widespread trend in the Catholic Church in the United States. Demographic data shows us that the Churches built seventy-five years ago to serve large numbers are no longer needed because the faithful have moved to newer communities and require new churches. Three or four parishes built in close proximity years ago to serve different national and ethnic groups are merging into one or

than are ordained. In many dioceses the average age of all are working seven days a week partly because they can find only a communion service. In some parts of the country lied on an over abundance of priests from Ireland and the Netherlands to serve in their parishes have in more recent years invited priests from India, Asia and Africa to staff their and their wives as well as large numbers of the Christian Faithful (especially women) have taken up many of the nonsacramental ministries which a few decades ago were perlaity is not only a response to a practical need, it is also a hood of the Faithful.

The Reasons for Fewer Seminarians

The Diocese of Lake Charles is not immune to these dramatic changes in the Church. This year we came very close to announcing that, for the first time, there would be two parishes without priests. Fortunately, this was prevented when we secured the services of two priests from outside the to the priesthood. In the years before that we ordained only one or two. Next year we hope to be blessed with one ordinathere will be a significant increase in ordinations in the

During the past three and one half years I have received letters from parishioners stating the kind of priest needed in their parish. They say they want a priest who is "young and plain the scripture and the Catholic faith clearly," who "is outgoing and really involved in the community," who " is from our culture and speaks English clearly without any kind of accent," who "has no other diocesan responsibilities and can al hang-ups," who "will stay with us without being moved for five or six years," who "is a spiritual man of faith and prayer, loyal to the Holy Father, devoted to the Eucharist and the Church." The writers never suggest where I am to find these ideal priests. They almost give the impression that Bishops have a storehouse filled with priests when, of course, we do not. We cannot make bricks without straw. We can only send

ber of priests in this country, nearly 48,000, has not kept pace with the growth of the Catholic population in the United States, nearly 64,000,000.

These are some of the reasons that are mentioned fre-

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and by Catholicism in particular do not seem relevant to many young people.

- The reforms of the Second Vatican Council have obscured the role of the priest.

The secular, materialistic, egocentric American culture makes it difficult for someone to embrace a life of selfless-service to others receiving neither wealth nor fame

The lack of enthusiasm about the Church and the priesthood on the part of families who rarely encourage their sons to consider the priesthood. The perception that celibacy and permanent commitment

are incompatible with a culture saturated with sexuality and the desire for personal gratification. The fact that Catholics are not really praying for voca-

tions, especially before the Eucharist in adoration The selfishness of those who are called by Christ and are

failing to respond to their vocations. The terrible scandal caused by members of the clergy

The low morale of some priests that makes it impossible for them to be dynamic ambassadors for the priesthood.

The concern that there may be an active homosexual

presence in some seminaries. The loss of reverence in the liturgy, the lack of devotion to Mary, and indifference to the clear teachings of the Holy

I do not mention these explanations for the decline in voations to the priesthood because I believe they are the correct explanations. I mention them to invite your own reflection and prayer. You may well have other reasons that you would consider more important than these. Or, perhaps you have never given this matter any serious thought? I personally am not sure that I know why there are fewer candidates for the priesthood than most of us would like.

I am sure, however, the Holy Spirit is with the Church. The Church is the Body of Christ and not merely a human political structure. The Church is sustained by the Word of God and the Eucharist. There is no Church without the Eucharist. And there is no Eucharist without priests. I am completely confident that Providence will guide the worldwide Church and our local Church here in Lake Charles as we make adjustments and adapt to present and future realities. This does not mean, however, that Providence is leading us back Catholic population is growing larger and more mobile. to the Church of the 1950's when priests and religious were numerous in our parishes.

Support Our Priests, Especially Those From Other Countries

One of the most important things we can all do is to affirm and support the priests we have and make every effort not to In the meantime more priests die and retire each year have unreasonable expectations of them. When someone is making an important contribution to the quality of our lives, priests is well over sixty. More and more priests are caring as priests do each day, it is easy for us to take them and their for two or more parishes or mission chapels. Some priests ministry for granted. As a Bishop I can never take for granted those who make up my presbyterate. They are the College no one to take their places on their day off or they do not of Priests of which I am the head, just as I am a member of want to disappoint those who come to morning Mass with the College of Bishops of which the Bishop of Rome is the head. While the Bishop, as a ministerial sign of Christ the there are already communities that do not have a priest for Great High-Priest, is the principal priest, teacher, and legisweekly Sunday Mass. Many American Bishops who once re- lator in his Diocese, every Bishop knows that the effectiveness of his pastoral service in the daily lives of his people de-

pends, to a great extent, upon the effectiveness of his priests. As you know, we are very fortunate in Southwest parishes. Meanwhile, the number of young men entering the Louisiana to have a college of talented and dedicated seminary is far too small to produce enough priests to meet priests. I care for and appreciate each of them and I am very the local and national needs. Happily, Permanent Deacons aware of the sacrifices they make each day in order to be true heralds of the Good News of Jesus Christ. I thank each one of them sincerely for building up the Body of Christ in their parishes day after day. While it is true that the fullness formed only by a priest. This increased involvement by the of the priesthood of Christ resides in the Bishop, that fullness is manifested to the people in the quiet and steady manifestation of their baptismal participation in the Priest- labors of priests in every part of the Diocese. St. Ignatius of Antioch, writing in the second century declared, "Where the Bishop is, there is the Church." Ignatius' reflection might be elaborated in this way, "Where faithful dedicated priests are,

I invite all of the Christian Faithful to look for opportunities to express their gratitude and affection for the priests who serve them. Thank them for their ministry. Compliment them for an exceptional homily. Ask them how they are doing. If they do not look well, if they are not taking their day Diocese. During the past two years we have ordained no one off, if they seem distant, ask them if all is well. Write them a note of gratitude when they serve you and your family with care and sensitivity at the time of birth, marriage or death. tion. Looking ahead there is no evidence to suggest that Congratulate them on their birthdays and ordination anniversaries. Offer them respect and provide constructive criticism when you think it is appropriate. Be sensitive to the human paradox of their fatherhood. They are father of all entrusted to their pastoral care. Yet, they are father of none. In an ideal world all of our priests would come from our works well with children," who "preaches well and can ex- own communities. But we do not live in an ideal world. A growing number of our priests have come to us from Asia, In-

dia and Africa. Our Diocese, like many others, would be in dire straits indeed without the help of our brothers from abroad. It is as if those countries once served by missionary be full time with us," who "has no health problems or person- American priests are now sending their priests to us as missionary. I am profoundly grateful for their presence and their unique contributions to our Diocese. I thank them, in my name and in yours, for their generosity and for their unique contributions to our communities.

I wish to invite you to express your support for our international priests in some specific ways. The most important way to support them is to make special efforts to make them feel welcome. Invite them into your homes, show them Many reasons have been offered to explain why the numaround the community and include them in special gatherings. I would like our people and priests alike to refrain from referring to priests from abroad as "foreign" priests. Since the Catholic Church is a world community and since the priesthood is universal, there can really be no such thing as a "foreign" priest. I suggest that it would be better to speak of them as "priests from other countries" or "international

Gratefully and sincerely yours in Christ,

+ Colward K. Brageton

- The ultimate questions addressed by religion in general priests." In Christ and in His Church no one is a "foreigner." I would also ask that if the priest who serves you comes from abroad, find out what country he is from and express an interest in the culture and the family they have generously left behind. Learn about their world. Rather than referring to them by abbreviated names, ask them how to pronounce their names correctly. Listen carefully and learn the proper pronunciation. This would be a great expression of respect for them and their culture. Just as they show respect for local Louisiana culture by patiently learning how to pronounce French and Acadian names.

The Future of Mission Chapels

All of the priests of the Diocese, myself included, need the support of your prayers. Sometimes it seems that Catholics think their prayers are insignificant compared to the prayers of priests. As a result they do not take requests from priests for prayers seriously. But, in fact, the prayers of the Christian Faithful for their priests and for vocations to the priesthood might be particularly effective at this time. I invite all of our families to pray the Rosary for the priest(s) in their parishes once a week. This would be good for you, for your families,

If we are to be truly supportive of our priests, we must also give serious consideration to pastoral situations which are more than one person can attend to. I am thinking particularly of some of the parishes which have one or more mission chapels serving a very small number of people. Some of our chapels are necessary and we will try to maintain them. Other chapels have actually become "chapels of convenience." They serve a very small number of people who regularly drive to the town where the primary parish church is located for shopping, to see their doctor, and for other personal needs. There has already been a great deal of discussion and consultation about the need for our chapels.

I understand very well that those who worship there, no matter how few, would like to maintain them. But this is not possible in every case. The needs of the Church have changed considerably since the chapels were opened. My predecessor, Bishop Jude Speyrer, closed chapels in the past and I will be forced to close chapels in the future. In the months ahead we will examine those chapels serving fewer than seventy-five people on a weekend in areas where the Christian Faithful can easily reach the main parish in a relatively short time and evaluate the situation. The number of worshipers will be only one of the determining factors. It is likely that some chapels will close by January 1, 2005.

I am very aware that these closures will bring sadness and disappointment to some of those who have come to think of the chapel as their parish. However, they are not parishes and we have come to the point where we must all think of the overall good of the larger Church and be generous in making relatively small sacrifices.

I began this letter to you by saying that the pastoral appointments that I have recently announced will ultimately have an impact on all of our parishes. This is because they nt to the day when some of our parishes may not have full time priests to serve them. With you I hope that day never comes. Nevertheless, we must begin thinking, preparing, and praying about that day today.

You Are The Hope Of The Church

As I conclude this letter I would ask each family to think and pray about the priesthood. Does your son, grandson or nephew have qualities of faith and service that might make him a good candidate for the priesthood? Have you ever asked him to consider the priesthood? Why not do so? Why not pray with him, participate in the Eucharist with him, read the scripture with him? Vocations are not bolts of lightning from heaven. They are nourished in ordinary ways in families. Is there a young man listening to or reading this letter who is curious about the priesthood who has never told anyone? Is there an older man who is widowed or who has never married who has given some thought to the priesthood? Why not talk to your pastor today?

I have recently appointed Fr. Anthony Fontenot and Fr. Daniel Torres Co-Directors of Vocations. I have also appointed Fr. Keith Pellerin Director of Seminarians. These dedicated priests, like all of the priests of the Diocese, are eager to talk with anyone who would like to explore the priesthood and receive assistance in discerning if Christ Himself might be calling them to a life of service to the Gospel.

Dear sisters and dear brothers in Christ:

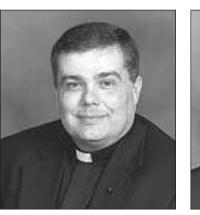
Last month on May 13th, I celebrated the 34th anniversary of my ordination to the priesthood of Jesus Christ. On May 17th, I celebrated the 9th anniversary of my ordination to the episcopacy. My years as a priest and bishop have been filled with great joys and deep sorrows like any human life. But even in the midst of the greatest sorrow, disappointment, or frustration, I have always been profoundly grateful for the unique vocation of the priesthood. Deep within my "soulspace" I am convinced that it was meant to be. I have always tried to celebrate each of the sacraments, especially the Eucharist, as if I was doing so for the first time. This has been a great source of joy and fulfillment for me.

That same joy and fulfillment awaits our future priests. It is a gift of the Spirit.

Please think and talk and pray about what I have shared with you in this Pastoral Letter. Every one of us has a right and a responsibility from our Baptism to take an active role in providing an answer to the question: What is the shape of the Church to come? I call upon each of you, In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, to confidently and enthusiastically make your unique and valued contribution. There can be no Church without the Eucharist and no Eucharist without priests.

You are the hope of the Church!

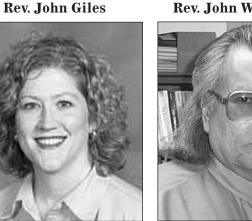
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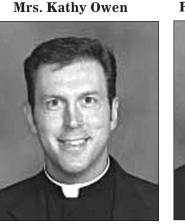
Msgr. Jace Eskind Rev. Jose Vattakunnel



Rev. John Welch, M.S.



Rev. Mr. Robert Balderas



Rev. Daniel Torres



Rev. Maxwell Okolie **Rev. Anthony Fontenot**



Bishop Braxton announces clergy appointments, Diaconate Coordinator and Pro-Life Director

Most Reverend Edward K Braxton, Bishop of Lake appointments and appointments for the clergy staff of pointments are effective July 1. He has also appointed a manent Diaconate Program and a new Director of Pro-

Msgr. Jace Eskind was up tailor a sound theological reappointed as Judicial Viccial Assistant for Pastoral Af-Master of extraordinary assistance to me personally and his many

Deacon George Stearns was reappointed Chancellor and Chief Administrative Officer for the Diocese. "Deacon Stearns is in many ways the collective memory of the Diocese," the Bishop noted. "His knowledge, wise counsel and prudent judgment are a great asset to me and to The Bishop appointed a

new College of Consultors. Msgr. James Gaddy, Very Rev. Aubrey Guilbeau, Msgr. Jace Eskind, Msgr. Vincent Sedita. Rev. Charles McMillin, Rev. Archimandrite Herbert May, Rev. Albert Borel, Rev. Anthony Fontenot, Rev. Wayne LeBleu, Rev. Whitney Miller, and Rev. Daniel Torres. The Consultors meet periodically event of the Bishop's death or if he is transferred by the elect a Diocesan Administrator who serves until a new Rev. Keith Pellerin was

appointed Director of Seminarians and Rev. Anthony Fontenot and Rev. Daniel Torres were appointed Co-Diocese. In his Pastoral Let- confidence and support ter, "The Shape Of The states that there can be no Paul Parish, Elton, "I remem-Church without the Euwithout priests. In their new Boulet is justly held in high aware that this is a major Fontenot, and Torres will as- ice," Bishop Braxton said. your wife, Carol, and for sist the Bishop and the Father Boulet was also ap- your family. I appreciate the priests, deacons and people

the priesthood. Deacon Robert Balderas, Bosco Parish, Westlake, of the Archdiocese of New while retaining his Diocesan Orleans, was appointed to Appointments. The Bishop the new position of Coordiexpressed his gratitude "for nator of the Permanent Diaconate Program. Bishop assume a pastorate in addi-Braxton welcomed him saytion to his other responsibili-

vate the Diaconate program. During the next six months Deacon Balderas will help program to our needs, create admission of new candidates processes. It is of the utmost importance that future deacons have the abilities and training needed to assume significant responsibilities in the Church" The Bishop who has been Administrator

also established a special sist Deacon Balderas The Committees members are Very Rev. Aubrey Guilbeau, V.G., Rev. Henry Mancuso, Rev. Charles McMillin, Rev. Don Piraro, Deacon George and Deacon & Mrs. Glenn Mrs. Kathy Owen, Direc-

tor of the Office of Family of Pro-Life Activities in the "I have always thought that it would be better if our Prothe Family Life Office. This the champion of Christian arrangement should bring in our efforts. The simple Diocesan Pastoral Center Christians of other traditions will make pro-life resources

appointed to a second term the parish. He must do all of as Pastor of Our Lady Queen of Heaven Parish. "As Msgr. Groth offers servant-leader- Council." ship to perhaps the most challenging parish in the sociate Pastor of Our Lady Director of Vocations for the Diocese, he has my complete Queen of Heaven Parish, was

reappointed Pastor at St. gust 1, 2004. The Bishop, acber well my Parish Pastoral Frs. Pellerin, esteem for his selfless serv- change for you, Fr. Giles, pointed Administrator of St.

pointed Pastor of St. John at St. Henry Parish, a strong ing, "I am anxious to reactities. "I am sure the people of St John Bosco will welcome his energetic ministry enthu-

Rev. Jose Vattakunnel was transferred from St. Joseph Parish, Elton, and appointed Pastor of Sacred Heart Parish, Oakdale. In his letter to Fr. Vattakunnel the Bishop wrote, "The people of Sacred tle and faith-filled shepherd." Rev. John Welch, M.S. of St. Theresa of the Child Jesus Parish in Carlyss since Fitzsimmons, was appointed Pastor of the same parish. Welch cared for you with great empathy during the very painful months after Stearns Deacon George Carr, the death of your gentleman pastor, dear, generous, Fr.

now as your spiritual leader." The Bishop commended Pastors saving, "A good Pastor works in collegial cooperas well as with the deacons. religious and Christian faith values and Catholic teachings in the larger society and he should be the first to and leaders of other faiths. must care for the administra-Msgr. Ronald Groth was tive and financial needs of this in fidelity to the teachings of the Second Vatican

The Rev. John Giles, Asnamed Administrator of St. Rev. Marshall Boulet was Henry Parish, effective Auknowledging the uniqueness of Fr. Giles' appointment, sacrifices that you are mak-

priest as their leader will be a new experience for the the normative reality of a celibate priesthood. Please explain clearly the unique and extremely rare circumstance that has made it possible for you to be a married

Rev. Maxwell Okolie, a priest of the Diocese of Orlu, Nigeria, who is new to Lake Charles, was appointed Associate Pastor of St. Joseph Elton. Rev. Paththinikuttige nounced Pat-tin-ni-ku-t-gay) Kingsley Emmanuel Nonis, also new to the Diocese, was named Associate Pastor of Our Lady Queen of Heaven Parish, effective August, 1,

Rev. Fred Russi, Pastor of Sacred Heart Parish, Oakdale was granted early retirement for health reasons of Sacred Heart Parish, after thirty-seven years of faithful service to the Diocese.

Two priests have conclud cese of Lake Charles. Rev. Peter Revel, Pastor of St. John Bosco, Westlake, will return to his home Diocese of Colombo, Sri Lanka, after five years of faithful service Rev. John Vianney Ijeoma of the Diocese of Aba, Nigeria Catholic Chaplain in the United States Military, after six years of service to our Local Church

Reviewing this year's appointments, the Bishop observed, "Pastoral appointments are among the greatest responsibilities of any Bishop. Far more thought, consultation, prayer, reflection is involved in these appointments than most people may realize. I wish to thank all of our priests for their fidelity to their ministry and for their willingness to be flexible in Diocese. I ask all of our peonew priests and to read and on the priesthood, "The Shape of the Church to

OFFICIAL APPOINTMENTS



His Excellency. The Most Reverend Edward K. Braxton, Ph.D., S.T.D., Bishop of Lake Charles, is pleased to make the following appointments: Retirement

The Reverend Fred Russi, Pastor of Sacred Heart Parish in Oakdale, La.,

has been granted early retirement for health reasons and named Pastor Emeritus of Sacred Heart Parish, after thirty-seven years of faithful service (including service at Immaculate Conception Cathedral, St. Joan of Arc, and St. Lawrence), effective July 1, 2004. **Diocesan Appointments**

The Reverend Mr. George Stearns is reappointed Chancellor and Chief Administrative Officer for the Diocese of Lake Charles, effective July 1, 2004 until June 30, 2007.

The Reverend Msgr. Jace Eskind is reappointed Judicial Vicar of the Diocese, Special Assistant for Pastoral Affairs, and as Master of Ceremonies to Bishop Braxton, effective July 1,

The following priests are appointed to the College of Consultors for a five-year period effective July 1, 2004

- The Reverend Msgr. James Gaddy, Convener of the College
- The Very Reverend Aubrey Guilbeau The Reverend Msgr. Jace Eskind
- The Reverend Msgr. Vincent Sedita The Very Reverend William Miller
- The Reverend Charles McMillin The Reverend Archimandrite Herbert May
- The Reverend Albert Borel
- The Reverend Anthony Fontenot The Reverend Wayne LeBleu
- The Reverend Whitney Miller The Reverend Daniel Torres
- The Reverend Keith Pellerin, Pastor of St. Martin de Porres Parish in Lake Charles, La., is appointed Director of Seminarians for the Diocese of Lake Charles, effective July 1, 2004. The Reverend Anthony Fontenot, Pastor of St. Raphael Parish in Iowa, La., is appointed Co-Director of Vocations for the Diocese of Lake Charles, effective July 1, 2004.

The Reverend Daniel Torres, Pastor of St. Joseph Parish in DeRidder, La, is appointed Co-Director of Vocations for the Diocese of Lake Charles, effective July 1, 2004. The Reverend Mr. Robert Balderas, a deacon of the Archdiocese of New Orleans, is appointed to the new position of Coordinator of the Permanent Diaconate Program for a six-

month period, beginning July 1, 2004. The following are appointed to a special Oversight Committee on the Permanent Deaconate to assist Deacon Balderas, effective July 1, 2004 The Very Reverend Aubrey Guilbeau, V.G.

- The Reverend Henry Mancuso
- The Reverend Mr. George Stearns The Rev. Reverend. George Carr
- The Reverend Charles McMillin The Reverend Don Piraro

The Reverend Mr. & Mrs. Glenn (Rose) Viau

Mrs. Kathy Owen is appointed Director of Pro-Life Activities in the Diocese, while retaining her position as Director of the Office of Family Life. With this appointment all of the pro-life activities of the Diocese will be integrated into our over-all Family Life Ministry and coordinated from that Office, effective July 1, 2004

Second-Term Pastor Appointment

The Rev. Marshall Boulet is appointed to a second term as Pastor of St. Paul Parish in Elton, La., effective July 1, 2004. The Reverend Msgr. Ronald Groth is appointed to a second term as Pastor of Our Lady

Queen of Heaven Parish in Lake Charles, La., effective July 1, 2004. **Pastor Appointments** The Reverend Msgr. Jace Eskind, until now, in residence at the Cathedral of the Immacu-

Westlake, La., while retaining his duties as Judicial Vicar, Director of Worship, Special Assistant for Pastoral Affairs and Master of Ceremonies to the Bishop, effective July 1, 2004 until The Reverend Jose Vattakunnel, until now, Pastor of St. Joseph Parish in Elton, La., is ap-

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pointed Pastor of Sacred Heart Parish in Oakdale, La., effective July 1, 2004 until June 30, The Reverend John Welch, M.S. until now, Administrator of St. Theresa of the Child Jesus

Parish in Carlyss, La. is appointed Pastor of the same parish effective July 1, 2004 until June 30, 2010. **Administrator Appointments** The Reverend John Giles, until now, Associate Pastor of Our Lady Queen of Heaven Parish

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fective August 1, 2004. The Reverend Marshall Boulet, while retaining his position as Pastor of St. Paul Parish in Elton, La., is appointed Administrator of St. Joseph Parish in Elton. **Associate Pastor Appointments**

The Reverend Maxwell Okolie, a priest of the Diocese of Orlu, Nigeria and new to the Diocese, is appointed Associate Pastor of St. Joseph Parish in Elton, La., effective July 1, 2004. The Reverend Paththinikuttige Kingsley Nonis, new to the Diocese, is appointed Associ-

Concluding Service in the Diocese The Reverend Peter Revel, Pastor of St. John Bosco in Westlake, La., will return to the his home Diocese Colombo, Sri Lanka, after five years of faithful service in the Diocese, effec-

ate Pastor of Our Lady Queen of Heaven Parish in Lake Charles, La., effective August 1, 2004.

The Reverend John Vianney Ijeoma of the Diocese of Aba, Nigeria will begin training to be a Catholic Chaplain in the United States Military, effective immediately, after six years of faithful service in the Diocese. Fr. Ijeoma has served the People of God at St. Henry in Lake Charles, Our Lady of Perpetual Help in Jennings, St. Joseph in Vinton, Immaculate Heart of

Mary in Lake Charles, and at the C. Paul Phelps Correctional Center in DeQuincy, La. By Order of The Most Reverend Edward K. Braxton, dated at The Pastoral Center, Lake Charles, La., June 7, 2004.

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