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Reverend Monsignor Joseph R. Chapel, ordained a priest for the Archdiocese of Newark in 1992, has been appointed Director of Formation for the Permanent Diaconate, effective July 1, 2021, while remaining as Pastor of



Saint Andrew's in Westwood, his home parish where he was raised.

Monsignor Chapel earned an M.A. in International Relations from the Paul S. Nitze

School for Advanced International Studies (SAIS), The Johns Hopkins University; an S.T.B. from The Pontifical Gregorian University, Rome; an S.T.L. and an S.T.D. from the *Accademia Alfonsiana*, Lateran University, Rome. His doctoral dissertation is entitled, "Why Confess Our Sins Out Loud? An Analysis Based on the Dialogical Philosophy of Ferdinand Ebner in Light of the Philosophy of Language and the Symbolic Sacramentology of Louis-Marie Chauvet." His publications include: Editor, Ferdinand Ebner, *The Word and the Spiritual Realities* (Catholic University of America Press, 2021); "Why Confess Our Sins Out Loud? Some Possibilities Based on the Thought of Ferdinand Ebner and Louis-Marie Chauvet" (*Irish Theological Quarterly*); "Dialogical Personalism Revisited" (*Studia Moralia*) and "Philosophy as Preparation for Sacramental Theology and Moral Life" (*Seminary Journal*). Monsignor Chapel taught *Moral Theology, Reconciliation & Anointing* and *Preaching Practicum* for many

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 years at Immaculate Conception Seminary School of Theology, and served the Seminary in various other roles as mentor, spiritual director, confessor, Associate Dean, member of the theological faculty of the Pastoral Provision, Co-Director of the Institute for Christian Spirituality and Director of the Center for Diaconal Formation. He continues to serve as Adjunct Spiritual Director and Adjunct Professor of Theology.

In Spring 2009, Monsignor Chapel was named Chaplain to His Holiness with the title of Monsignor. In 2014, he was appointed Spiritual Director of the Casa Santa Maria, Pontifical North American College, in Rome. In 2017, he was named Pastor of Our Lady of Mercy Parish, Park Ridge, NJ until his recent assignment to Saint Andrew's in February, 2020.

Union County Deacons Meet

On the warm summer morning of Saturday, June 26th. Bishop Elias R. Lorenzo, O.S.B. V.G. gathered the permanent deacons of Union County.



This was the second gathering of Union County deacons called by Bishop Elias, since becoming the auxiliary bishop of Union County. The hosting parish was St. Elizabeth of Hungary in Linden. The deacons were grateful to the hosting pastor, Fr. Edgardo Jocson and Deacon John Bejgrowicz for their hospitality.

Bishop Elias opened with a prayer, followed by an introduction of the keynote speaker, Father Edwin



Leahy, O.S.B. Father Edwin has been headmaster of St. Benedict's Prep in Newark since 1972. Father

Edwin invited each deacon to introduce himself, so he could get to know us better.

Fr. Edwin began by explaining that the task of preaching the Good News of Jesus Christ is a proclamation with our lives and being open to others, to love the other person, the way the person is, without judgment. Fr. Edwin then read the passage of Moses's encounter with the burning bush in Exodus chapter 3. Moses was having an ordinary day, tending the sheep...doing what he did everyday...then suddenly he encounters of the mystery of the Divine Presence. We live in a world where "type A" personalities are encouraged/rewarded... and we can easily miss the burning bushes in our lives, if we don't take the time to investigate. The Divine Presence is revealed to us in Jesus Christ. We must allow the fire of Divine love to purify us, so we can announce the Good News.

Fr. Edwin then read the passage of the gospel of Matthew on the Transfiguration of Jesus. Peter, James and John saw the glorified Jesus... got a glimpse of God's presence. Fr. Edwin told the deacons to make sure you have time in your diaconal life to have the Lord take you aside, to encounter the mystery of the Divine Presence.

You must "unrubble" your lives. Allow the Lord to lead you up the mountain. The Divine love of our Lord Jesus Christ will transform your heart. We are to love the other person in the dimension of the cross. Love transforms, we don't. Allow yourself to be caught up in the Presence of God. Share the Presence of God in you with others.

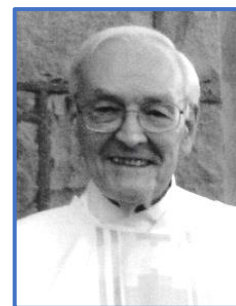
What do monks do all day? Fr. Edwin said that living the Christian life is "falling down and getting up". They waste time together in God's Presence.

Fr. Edwin described how we transmit our faith, not religion...by love and communion, where communion is accepting each other as we are. This happens because of the power of the Holy Spirit at work in us.

Following Fr. Edwin's talk, Deacon Michael York and Deacon David Farrell explained their role as members of the Archdiocese Deacon Council, serving the deacons of Union County. All Union County deacons are encouraged to communicate their concerns, recommendations etc. to Deacon Mike and Deacon Dave.

Bishop Elias led the deacons in Midday Prayer, concluding the gathering of deacons.

Deacon Paul Kliauga



Paul Kliauga of Tinton Falls, NJ, entered eternal life on Sat, May 22. He was 86 years old. Paul was born in Chicago IL, received a BS degree at the

University of Chicago, and moved to NY, where he raised a family and earned a PhD in physics at NYU.

Deacon Paul went on to become a professor and researcher in Particle Physics at Columbia University.

Paul became a deacon of the Catholic Church for service to the Archdiocese of Newark being ordained on June 5, 1999.

A devout Christian and a philanthropist, he always gave of himself, and will be sorely missed by all who knew and loved him.

He is survived by his wife Mary and son David.

A Funeral Mass was celebrated on May 27, at Holy Innocents Roman Catholic Church followed by Entombment at St. Anne Cemetery located in Wall Township.

Deacons Wives & Widows Memorial



Due to the ongoing situation with COVID-19 the Memorial Mass which is normally celebrated in April or early May and is sponsored by the Diaconate Wives was cancelled in both 2020 and 2021. However, in order that Masses be offered for the Deceased Deacons and Deacons' Wives of the Archdiocese of Newark, the following Masses will be offered for this intention: Deceased Deacons and Deacons' Wives of the Archdiocese of Newark. We include in this intention deceased deacons and wives who no longer live in the Archdiocese.

On Saturday, September 18, 2021 at 8:30 am, at Our Lady Queen of Peace Church, 400 Maywood Avenue, Maywood, was the first Mass.

The next two masses will be offered on Wednesday & Friday October 6 & 12, 2021, at 12:10 pm at St. Mary's Church, 17 Msgr. Owens Place, Nutley

Anyone who would like to attend one (or more) of these Masses is cordially invited to do so. Both churches are observing protocols for the prevention of the spread of the virus, so masks may be required and seating may be spaced according to the Archdiocesan regulations of the day.

The yearly "Diaconate Wives' Day of Renewal" will take place on October 30, 2021 at Mount Saint Mary House Of Prayer, 1651 US-22, Watchung, NJ 07069. Space is limited, so if you are interested in reserving a place call Misty Mantineo at 201.791.6180. If you did not receive a letter letting you know about this day, please call Misty so that she can get your contact information and be sure that you will be included in future mailings.

The day begins at 9:00 and ends by 3:00. It includes socializing, presentations, reflection, and private prayer. Sister Judy Schiavo is our presenter and Msgr. Ed Bradley will be available for the Sacrament of Reconciliation and Mass. COVID precautions are in place: the House of Prayer requires that temperatures be taken upon arrival and that contact information be left with them for contact tracing purposes if needed. Masks are required indoors if one has not been vaccinated and provisions are in place for social distancing.

Please see the notice below regarding our Day of Renewal.

"You are invited to a day of prayer and reflection on Saturday, October 30, 2021. We will dwell on God's unconditional love for us as we probe some of the parables of mercy that Jesus shared with his followers. We

will also spend some time reflecting on the life of St. Joseph and his relationship with both Jesus and his mother, Mary. There will be time for private prayer and the Sacrament of Reconciliation. In addition, we will socialize with each other at lunch. We will end our day with the liturgy of the Mass".

Additionally, On Aug 26, 2021 Mary Rose Rice 97, widow of Deacon Gregory Rice (deceased December 2012), entered eternal life. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated on Saturday, September 4th, at 10 am at St. Peter the Apostle Church, 445 5th Ave, River Edge, NJ. She will be laid to rest at Blessed Virgin Mary Queen of Peace Cemetery in Hawley, PA.

In lieu of flowers, contributions in Mary's memory may be made to St Peter the Apostle Church, River Edge, NJ, or Society of Our Lady of the Most Holy Trinity, Corpus Christi, TX. Arrangements: Beaugard-McKnight Funeral Home, River Edge.

Keep Mary and Deacon Rice in prayer for their soul's repose.

Mark Your Calendars Deacon Retreat 2021



Deacon Andy Golden, the Archdiocesan Permanent Diaconate Retreat Coordinator, announced that deacon retreats will resume at San Alfonso's retreat house in Long Branch, N.J, on October 22 to 24, 2021. Donation \$100. The Redemptour staff will present the retreat. The retreat is currently filled, however; you can reserve a "standby" space. Contact Deacon Andy at agolden@saint-peter.org