

To all Priests and Religious Working in the Archdiocese of Lagos.

Dear Msgri., /Frs.,

1. PASTORAL PLACEMENTS: The Diaconate and Priestly Ordinations have necessitated the appointment and transfer of some Priests in the Archdiocese. After a prayerful reflection, we hereby announce following appointments and transfer of priests with effect from **October 30, 2017.**

APPOINTMENT

1. Secretary to the Cardinal

Rev. Fr. Christopher Atoyebi

PARISH PRIESTS

1. Regina Pacis Sangotedo

Very Rev. Fr. Ethelbert Ukpabi

2. Church of the Annunciation, Abraham Adesanya Estate

Very Rev. Fr. Gabriel Amolegbe

3. St. Timothy, Ojodu

Rev. Fr. Martin Iwueze

4. Holy Trinity, Isashi

Rev. Fr. Jude Kanu

NEW QUASI-PARISHES AND THEIR PRIESTS-IN- CHARGE

1. St. Anne, PPL

Rev Fr Mike Offordum, MSP

2. St. Athanasius, Ira- Kekere

Rev. Fr. Andrew Ukonu

3. St. Pio, Ayeteju

Rev. Fr. Victor Ukanero

4. St. Rita, Obadeyi

Rev Fr Philip Uchendu

NEWLY ORDAINED PRIESTS

1. St Theresa, Epe

Rev. Fr Emmanuel Avoseh

2. **Ss. Philip and James, Lekki**
Rev. Fr Vincent Chukwujekwu
3. **St John, Igando**
Rev. Fr. Martins Kefas
4. **Our Lady of Fatima, Aguda**
Rev Fr Matthew Nougbo
5. **Blessed Tansi, Magbon**
Rev Fr Mark Okojie
6. **St Gregory's College, Obalende**
Rev. Fr. Mereh Kenneth

ASSOCIATE PARISH PRIESTS

1. **St Charles', Olodi-Apapa**
Rev Fr Crescent Ilona
2. **St. Charles Borommo, 1004 Estate**
Rev Fr Alexander Oboh
3. **Church of the Visitation, Festac**
Rev Fr. Kingsley Idaewor
4. **St. Anthony's, AIT Alagbado**
Rev Fr. Emmanuel Olewuezi. M.Ss.Cc
5. **Holy Family, Ajara**
Rev Fr. Luke Nwoko, M.Ss.Cc
6. **Church of Assumption, Awoyaya**
Rev. Fr. Samuel Akaraonye

DEACON

1. **Regina Mundi, Mushin**
Rev. PaulMary Otukpe

2. **ARCHDIOCESAN LAITY COLLECTION:** We had directed that a Second collection be taken up every 5th Sunday of the Month in which they occur, to support the Laity Council. We further direct that the proceeds of the collection should be distributed among the different levels of the Laity Council in the

Archdiocese in the following ratio: 60% to the Parish Laity Council; 20% to the Deanery Laity Council and 20% to the Archdiocesan Laity Council. All Parish Priests/Priests-in-charge are to ensure prompt disbursement of the money to these different levels of the Laity Council immediately after the collection and without any delay.

3. ARCHDIOCESAN MARIAN YEAR CLOSING CEREMONIES: The closing ceremonies for the Marian Year celebration in our Archdiocese comes up on **Saturday 28th October, 2017 at the National Stadium, Lagos**. The programme begins at **7am** with exposition, adoration, confession and talks. The closing Mass would be at **10am**. Part of the activities of this ceremony would be the re-consecration of Lagos state to the Immaculate Heart of Mary, Queen and Patroness of Nigeria. In view of this event, the brochure for the event will be sold in all parishes. **We expect all Parish Priests and Priests-in-Charge to sensitize and mobilise their parishioners throughout the coming week to attend and participate in this significant event.**

It has been brought to our notice that some parishes did not promote and mobilize for participation in the activities of the Marian Year. We call on Priests in charge of such parishes to ensure that their people are not deprived of the benefits of such significant and grace-filled Archdiocesan spiritual activities. They should be in the forefront of sensitizing and encouraging the faithful in their parishes.

4. NCDPA MEETING: There will be an important meeting of all Nigerian Diocesan Priests (NCDPA) working in the Archdiocese of Lagos on **Thursday 26th October, 2017 at St. Patrick's Catholic Church, Alaba. Time: 10am**. All Diocesan priests working in Lagos are expected to attend and be punctual.

(Signed)

+Alfred Adewale Martins
Archbishop, Metropolitan See of Lagos