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But grace was given to each of us according to the measure of Christ's gift (Eph 4:7).

My Sisters and Brothers in Christ:

Grace and Peace of our risen Lord Jesus Christ be with you. Father Charlie Deeney, O.M.I., throughout his priesthood, tells the story of God's grace given to each of us and how we are equipped for the work of ministry, to build up the body of Christ. I am grateful for his teaching this lesson, and you, the parishioners of St. Patrick Catholic Church, are a testament of the fruit of God's grace.

I have accepted the request of Father Deeney, O.M.I. to retire. He will be returning to Ireland. I am pleased to appoint Father Jimson Varghese, SDV as pastor of St. Patrick Catholic Church, effective June 14, 2021. Let me introduce you to him briefly:



Father Jimson Varghese, SDV, was born and raised in Kerala, India one of three children. He discerned a call to priesthood early in his life, and after attending St. Thomas College in India for two years he attended the Pontifical Salesian University in Rome. He was ordained into the Society of Divine Vocations on January 22, 2006. The Society of Divine Vocations, also known as the Vocationist Fathers, is a Roman Catholic religious Congregation of Priests and Brothers founded in 1920 by Blessed Fr. Justin Russolillo (1891-1955) in Italy. The Vocationist Fathers main charism is "identifying and fostering vocations to priesthood and religious life, especially among the less privileged". The Vocationists work in vocationaries, parishes, schools, and missions. Father Varghese served in

India before arriving as a missionary to the United States in 2011. He served in New Jersey before coming to the Diocese of Orlando in 2018 as Pastor of St. Joseph Catholic Church, Winter Haven.

As Father Charlie Deeney retires, Father Nelson Javier, TOR will also be accepting another appointment in the Diocese of Orlando. I am pleased to appoint Father Hermogenes Sargado, S.D.V. as parochial vicar of St. Patrick Catholic Church.

Father Sargado, S.D.V., was born in Digos, Philippines one of five children to Pablo and Venacia Sargado. He attended Holy Cross of Santa Maria, Holy Cross of Savao College, and Sekolah Tinggi Filsafat Katolik Ledalero (Ledalero Catholic School of Philosophy and Theology) in Indonesia. He was ordained December 3, 2011 in Maumere-NTT, Indonesia in the Society of Divine Vocations. Father Sargado arrived in the Diocese of Orlando in 2020 and has been serving at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Winter Haven.

Please welcome Fathers Varghese and Sargado with grace and faith. I know you join me with prayers of gratitude for all the priests who serve you, the holy people of God. Let us pray for Father Charlie Deeney, O.M.I. in his retirement and Father Nelson Javier, TOR in his new appointment. Be assured of my prayers for you during this time of transition.

May we all attain to the unity of faith.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend John Noonan

Bishop of Orlando