Appointed

MAY 15, 2020

in Bloomfield and St. Peter delegate to Holy Trinity

2020.

in Huntingburg, effective
to serve as

Neri Parish in Bicknell and

parochial vicar of St. Philip

Thomas to serve as

administrator of St. Mary Parish
to serve as admin-

Kaiser to serve as pastor of

Parish in Mount Vernon

Francis Xavier Parish in

Parish in Bicknell and St

administrator of St. Philip Neri
while continuing as admin-

Ernst to serve as Associate

to serve as Associate

to serve as pastor of St. Matthew

Parish in Mount Vernon and St.

Philip in Posey County, effective

June 24, 2020.

Appointed Rev. Ryan

Hildebrand to serve as pastor of St. Joseph Parish in

Princeton and St. Bernard Parish in Snake River, effec-
tive June 24, 2020.

Appointed Rev. Simon

Natha to serve as administr-
ator of Holy Name Parish in

Bloomfield and St. Peter

Parish in Linton, effective

June 24, 2020.

Appointed Rev. Biju

Thomas to serve as admin-
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Huntingburg, effective

June 24, 2020.

Appointed Janie Kempf
to continue as pastoral life
cooridinator at Divine

Mercy Parish in St. Anthony,
effectively immediately.

Appointed Rev. Jose

Thomas to serve as pastoral vicar of St. Philip

Neri Parish in Bicknell and St.

Francis Xavier Parish in

Vincennes, effective June 24, 2020.

Resumption of Public Liturgies

Out of concern for the prevention of the spread of the coronavirus COVID-19, and following consultation with other Bishops, the College of Consultants, and the Deans, I hereby decree that canon 838 §§1 and 4 of the Code of Canon Law, I previ-
usly suspended the public celebration of Masses in the Diocese of Evansville until further notice.

Now, following consultation with the Bishops of the Province of Indiana, the College of Consultants, the Council of Priests, and the Deans, and in accord with canon 838 §§1 and 4 of the Code of Canon Law, the above-noted prior
decree is hereby emended, and I hereby decree the reinstatement of the public celebration of Masses. However, this is regulated by the particular law of the Diocese of Evansville, executive orders
of the Governor of the State of Indiana, and directives from local governing enti-
ties, all in an effort to mitigate the spread of the coronavirus COVID-19. Furthermore, I hereby direct the Guidelines for the Resumption of Public Masses and the Implementation Verification Form to be followed in the Diocese of Evansville.

The dispensation which I previously granted, effective 12 March 2020, from the obligation to participate in Mass on Sundays and holy days to the faithful of the Diocese of Evansville and validators who are present in the Diocese of Evansville remains in effect until further notice. This means that the faithful are not under an obligation and pain of sin to attend the public celebration of Mass. In fact, those who are simply uncomfort-
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The provisions of this decree are effec-
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Mary, Health of the Sick, pray for us!

Given at Evansville, Indiana

7 May 2020.

Most Reverend Joseph M. Siegel,

DD, STL

Bishop of Evansville

Tim McGuire

Chancellor

BY DAVE HIRBACEK
Catholic News Service

ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA (CNS) — Rebecca Maslow’s workday begins long before she walks through the doors of Hennepin County Medical Center in Minneapolis, where she is a nurse in the intensive care unit.

She prays before going to work, seeking the help of the Holy Spirit to love and care for the patients she will see that day. Every time she walks into a room, she knows that this could be the patient’s last day of life. She must be ready to help them die.

That’s because, woven into her job description in recent months is caring for seriously ill and dying patients, most of whom have COVID-19. Since being assigned primarily to the intensive care unit in March, she now sees the worst of the coronavirus pandemic every day. It is exhausting work, physically and emotionally, and she can’t for a moment neg-
llect the intensive protec-
tive regimen needed to keep her from getting the virus herself.

At the same time, she feels that avoiding the virus likely is a losing battle.

“I know that I will probably get it in the near future,” said Maslow, 28, who graduated from the University of Minnesota in 2014 with a nursing

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CNS photo by Dave Hibbeler

This May 1 photo shows Rebecca Maslow, a nurse in the intensive care unit of Hennepin County Medical Center in Minneapolis, Minnesota. She is a parish-

ioner of Nativity of Our Lord in St. Paul.

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and to calm our troubled

hearts.

This is just a small sampling of the truths that I discovered in John 14. I have no doubt as I look back at what I just read, and as I turn to the many other scripture passages in the bible, the Holy Spirit will reveal new things and remind me of what I have already learned about the truth, and bring me face to face as I falter in my human weakness.

As we all continue to search for the truth in the information we read and hear about the COVID-19 pandemic and other daily controversial issues that our society faces, let’s pray for one another as we are trying to save ourselves from these worldly things, that we find comfort in the fact that whether we read or hear about those things is true or not, we will always be a place that we can go that we know without doubt can find truth. Through the guid-
ance of the Holy Spirit may we all come to know the only truth that really matters; the Truth, that through His life, death and resurrection we have already been saved.

Brenda Hopp is a member of Divine

Mercy Parish in Dubois County and also contributes to the "Sharing the Load" column in The Message.

Nurse relies on the Holy Spirit in caring for COVID-19 patients

Steve sent me a link to a local newspaper story about the lit-
tle restaurant along U.S. 219. It’s called C&J’s.

They asked if I had any other questions. “Yes, is your trout sea-
time fishing nearby?” They answered yes and yes. Jimbo and I fished the Blacksmith Fork River out there, and it was full of wild brown trout. Jimbo caught one almost 18 inches long that sported a hook-jaw. I hap-

pened to turn around and look up as he was playing the fish.

High up above stood an elk, watching the proceedings unfold. I see it all now as if it happened yesterday — not 38 years ago.

Rest in peace, my dear friend.

Contact me anytime at vil-

leipzig.edu with your com-

ments, questions or suggestions. My Twitter feed is @Timonbass.

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tain resemblance between the stages of natural life and the stages of the spiritual life.”

We don’t know if we will ever go back to the old nor-
amal, or if we are forging new paths. What I have learned is that what I thought was important no longer has much value. What I accepted as easily available to me now is pre-
cious.

Mary Ann retired as the man-

aging editor of The Message in December 2015.

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