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From: Office of the Bishop
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Bishop Jaime Soto has made the following canonical appointments:

DEACONS

Effective October 1, 2019

Den. Ray **Helgeson**, previously on a Leave of Absence, has been appointed Deacon of Sacred Heart Parish, Gridley.

Effective December 9, 2019

Den. Paul **Kim**, previously assigned Deacon of St. Jeong-Hae Elizabeth Parish, Sacramento, has resigned and has been granted permission to retire.

Effective December 10, 2019

Den. Eldon **Vignery**, previously assigned Deacon of St. Isidore Parish, Yuba City, has been granted permission to retire.

Effective January 1, 2020

Den. Larry **Hiner**, previously assigned Deacon of St. Joseph Parish, Elk Grove, has relocated outside of the diocese and had been granted permission to take a leave from active ministry.

PRIESTS

Effective January 1, 2020

Rev. Brian Joseph C. **Atienza**, Member of the Tribunal Staff, has been elected to the Priests' Personnel Board as a representative of the Middle Age Group. He replaces Rev. Humberto Gomez, whose term has ended.

Rev. Antonio B. **Racela**, Pastor of St. Dominic Parish, Orland, has been elected to the Priests' Personnel Board as a representative of the Southern Region. He replaces Rev. Avram E. Brown, whose term has ended.

Effective January 31, 2020

Rev. Isnardo **Serrano**, C.O., previously assigned Parochial Administrator of St. Lawrence Parish, North Highlands, will be leaving the diocese.

Bishop Jaime Soto, in consultation with the Priests' Personnel Board has made the following canonical appointments:

PRIESTS

Effective November 25, 2019

Rev. Joseph J. **Kuzhichalil**, CMI, a priest of the Carmelites of Mary Immaculate, has been appointed Parochial Vicar of St. Mary Parish, Sacramento.

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Rev. Alban C. **Uba**, Chaplain of Mercy San Juan Medical Center, Carmichael, formerly a priest of the Sons of Mary Mother of Mercy Congregation, Nigeria, has been incardinated into the Diocese of Sacramento.



Kathy Conner
Chancellor

