

To: The Catholic Herald Magazine  
From: Office of the Bishop  
Re: **Official Column** for Catholic Herald (November/December Issue)  
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**“Official”**

**Bishop Jaime Soto has made the following canonical appointments:**

**PRIESTS**

**Effective August 5, 2021**

Rev. Stephen **Braun**, F.S.S.P., having been presented by his superior, has been appointed Parochial Vicar of St. Stephen the First Martyr Parish, Sacramento.

**Effective August 17, 2021**

Rev. Carlo Paul G. **Tejano**, previously Parochial Administrator of St. Joseph Parish, Auburn, has been appointed Pastor of the same.

**Effective September 1, 2021**

Rev. Bit-Shing Abraham **Chiu**, a priest of the Diocese of Jilin, China, has been appointed Parochial Vicar of St. John the Evangelist Parish, Carmichael and Chaplain to the Chinese Catholic Community at the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament, Sacramento.

**The following clergy have left the diocese:**

**Effective July 12, 2021**

Rev. Thomas Luu Duc **Vu**, C.R.M., previously Parochial Vicar of Vietnamese Martyrs Parish, Sacramento, has been recalled by his religious order and has left the diocese.

**Effective August 2, 2021**

Rev. Linus N. **Nwatarali**, previously Chaplain of Department of Corrections & Rehabilitation, Susanville, has left the diocese.

**Effective August 16, 2021**

Rev. Brian J. **Crawford**, O.S.J., previously priest in-residence at Mount St. Joseph Novitiate & Seminary, Loomis, has been transferred by his order and has left the diocese.

Rev. Gregory **Finn**, O.S.J., previously priest in-residence at Mount St. Joseph Novitiate & Seminary, Loomis, has been transferred by his order and has left the diocese.

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## DEACONS

### **Effective August 5, 2021**

Dcn. Bob **Leathers**, a deacon of Archdiocese of San Francisco, has been appointed to serve at SS. Peter & Paul Parish, Rocklin.

### **Effective August 18, 2021**

Dcn. Jacques Ya Jong **Nse**, previously assigned to St. Peter & All Hallows Parish, Sacramento, has been granted permission to retire.



**Uli Schmitt**  
**Chancellor**

