

BISHOP'S APPOINTMENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS
Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown

Release Date: June 5, 2009

REVEREND ARON M. MAGHSOUDI has been appointed Catholic Chaplain at the State Correctional Institution in Cresson, effective March 10, 2009. Father Maghsoudi continues as Parochial Vicar and Master of Ceremonies at the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament in Altoona.

REVEREND DAVID R. RIZZO has been appointed Administrator of Our Lady of Lourdes Parish in Altoona, effective May 15, 2009. Father Rizzo continues in his position with the Diocesan Tribunal. The parish is in need of pastoral services as a result of its pastor having been granted Medical Leave.

DEACON DANIEL J. O'DOWD, in Diaconal Service at Saint Mary Parish in Hollidaysburg, has been appointed Administrator of Saint Dismas Parish and Catholic Chaplain at the State Correctional Institution in Huntingdon, remaining in Diaconal Service at Saint Mary Parish in Hollidaysburg, effective May 27, 2009.

REVEREND MATTHEW B. BAUM, newly-ordained priest, appointed Parochial Vicar at Our Lady of Victory Parish in State College, effective May 30, 2009.

REVEREND MICHAEL A. WOLFE, newly-ordained priest, appointed Parochial Vicar at Saint Benedict Parish in Johnstown, effective May 30, 2009.

DEACON BRUCE L. BECKER, newly-ordained Deacon, appointed to Diaconal Service at Saint Benedict Parish in Johnstown, effective May 30, 2009, and as Catholic Chaplain at the State Correctional Institution in Smithfield, effective June 1, 2009.

Deacon Becker replaces the Reverend Leo A. Lynch as Chaplain, who continues as Pastor of Saint Joseph Parish in Williamsburg. The Reverend David J. Arseneault, Pastor of Most Holy Trinity Parish in Huntingdon, continues as Sacramental Minister.

DEACON RONALD A. KOLONICH, newly-ordained Deacon, appointed to Diaconal Service at Saint Peter Parish in Somerset, effective May 30, 2009,

DEACON JACK E. ORLANDI, newly-ordained Deacon, appointed to Diaconal Service at Good Shepherd Parish in State College, effective May 30, 2009,

DEACON CALVIN J. YOUNG, newly-ordained Deacon, appointed to Diaconal Service at Immaculate Conception Parish and the Catholic Community at Lock Haven University, both in Lock Haven, as well as Saint Joseph Parish in Renovo, effective May 30, 2009,