

From the Pastor's Desk: Comings and Goings

May 30, 2010

It is with a certain amount of sadness that I have to let you know that **Father Chris Frazer** will be leaving us, effective July 1. Bishop Soto is assigning Father Chris to a new parish. While this is not a complete surprise, as Father has been serving St. John's and the Newman Center for the last 25 months, and it seems that Parochial Vicars usually stick around only 2 to 3 years before having to leave for another assignment, it will still be tough to see him go. Father Chris has been a huge help here at St. John's and the Newman Center. His eagerness to do priestly work and his many gifts will be sorely missed.

To take Father Chris's place, Bishop Soto has appointed **Michael Baricuatro**. Michael will be ordained at the Cathedral on Memorial Day along with Mauricio Hurtado and Michael Estaris. The future Father Baricuatro will be assigned here to St. John's to serve both the Spanish and English speaking community, effective July 1. Father Hector will continue to assist at St. John's, but will also serve the Newman Center.

Furthermore, I am glad to announce that **Ms. Teresa Sobieralski** will be the new principal of Notre Dame School. Ms. Sobieralski has been principal of Sacred Heart Parish School since July 2004. Before becoming principal, she taught 8th Grade at Sacred Heart from 2001 to 2004 and was the school secretary from 1997 to 2001. Terri has four children, two of which attended Notre Dame School in the early 90's before she moved to Red Bluff. Having been a parent volunteer, a school secretary, a teacher and a principal, Ms. Sobieralski has an excellent understanding of the many different roles associated with working in a Catholic elementary school. It's clear that she brings with her much experience and love for the Catholic faith and Catholic education. We are grateful and blessed to have her.

May the good Lord continue to bless our parish, our school and our mission!

Yours in Christ,
Father Berg