

To: The Catholic Herald Magazine  
From: Office of the Bishop  
Re: Official Column for Catholic Herald (January/February Issue)  
Date: November 1, 2025

**“Official”**

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

**PRIESTS**

**Effective September 24, 2025**

Rev. Yukang **Gim**, a priest from the Diocese of Andong, South Korea, has been appointed Rector of St. Jeong-Hae Elizabeth Parish, Sacramento.

**Effective October 1, 2025**

Rev. Ryan **Mahar**, previously Parochial Administrator at St. Paul Parish, Knights Landing, has been appointed Parochial Administrator of St. Katharine Drexel Parish, Martell.

Rev. Jonathan **Molina**, while remaining Pastor of Holy Rosary Parish, Woodland, has been appointed Priest-in-Charge *pro-tem* of St. Paul Parish, Knights Landing.

Rev. Colin C. **Wen**, previously Pastor of St. Katharine Drexel Parish, Martell, has been appointed Pastor of St. John the Evangelist Parish, Carmichael.

**Effective October 7, 2025**

Rev. Paul **Cochran**, SJ, having been presented by his Superior, has been appointed Parochial Vicar of St. Ignatius Loyola Parish, Sacramento

**Effective October 20, 2025**

Rev. Alfredo L. **Tamayo**, a retired priest of the Diocese of Sacramento, has been appointed Priest-in-Charge *pro-tem* of St. Joseph Parish, Redding.

**DEACONS**

**Effective September 24, 2025**

Deacon Daniel **Blanton**, Permanent Deacon of St. Peter Parish, Dixon, has been granted permission to retire.

**The following notice is also given:**

**Effective October 6, 2025**

Rev. Mathew **Yim**, SJ, previously Parochial Vicar of St. Ignatius Loyola Parish, Sacramento, has left the diocese.

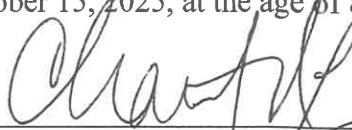
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**Effective October 31, 2025**

Rev. Wohyeon **Kim**, previously Pastor of St. Jeong-Hae Elizabeth Parish, Sacramento, has left the diocese.

**In Memoriam**

Dcn. William F. **Bruening** entered eternal life on October 15, 2025, at the age of 80. Deacon Bruening served the Diocese of Sacramento for over five years.



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**Chantal LeFevre**  
**Vice-Chancellor**

