



Fall 2020 Issue Auxiliary Bishops and Deacons set to Meet

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Deacon Ed Campanella OFS, Ret

In Memorial of Our 2018-20 Departed

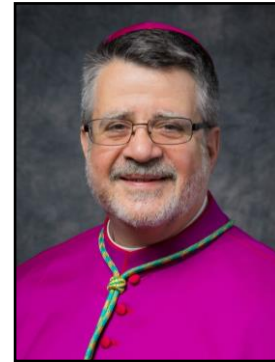
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Doreen McGarry
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Bishop Manuel A. Cruz in Essex, Bishop Michael A. Saporito in Bergen and Bishop Gregory J. Studerus in Hudson will be meeting with their respective Permanent Deacons.



On Saturday November 14, 2020 Bishop Elias Lorenzo O.S.B. as Union county's Bishop visited with 16 Union County Deacons at St John the Apostle in Linden/Clark,

NJ. Bishop Lorenzo shared his life experience in service to our Lord in the Benedictine Order.

Bishop Elias pointed out that the Archdiocesan Auxiliary Bishops will not pastor a particular parish, instead will focus on ministering to all the parishes in their county.

After responding to questions and suggestions from the attending deacons Bishop Elias responded to the Vatican's recent transparent Holy See's McCarrick report advising us to read the report, in lieu of media, before drawing any personal conclusions

Bishop Lorenzo has more than 30 years of experience in secondary school education and administration at Delbarton School, serving as director of campus ministry, teacher and chairman of the Religious Studies Department, member of the Board of Trustees, and Vice President for Development. In his role as educator, he also was engaged with Operation Smile International and served on its advisory board for ten

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years, traveling on multiple medial missions with Delbarton students to Bolivia, China, Honduras, India, Kenya, Nicaragua, and the Philippine.

In the monastery, Bishop Lorenzo served as Director of Liturgy, Prior of the Abbey and Rector of Church. During this same time, he served as a member and chairman of the Paterson Diocesan Liturgical Commission for twelve years. Following his service as Prior, he was appointed Vicar for Religious in the Diocese of Metuchen. Thereafter, Bishop Elias worked as canonical counsel for Praesidium, Inc. in the development of national safe environment standards and protocols. He currently serves on Praesidium's advisory board.

For the global Benedictine Confederation, Bishop Lorenzo served at Sant'Anselmo, the international Benedictine university in Rome, as Prior of the College. In addition, he worked as Procurator General for the Benedictine Order in Rome. Bishop Lorenzo is a founding member of the International Commission for Benedictine Education, a global association of 180 secondary schools in 36 countries, and to date has served as its President. In this role, he has visited Benedictine schools throughout the United States, Western Europe, South America, Latin America, Africa, Australia, and the Philippines.

In 2016, he was elected Abbot President of American Cassinese Congregation, an association of Benedictine monasteries. Erected by Pope Pius IX in 1855 under the patronage of the Holy Guardian Angels, this monastic Congregation includes 25 monasteries in the United States, Brazil, Canada, Colombia, Mexico, and Taiwan with 650 monks. The Benedictine monasteries of the American Cassinese Congregation sponsor 9 colleges and universities and 14 secondary schools in North and South America and serve in pastoral ministry in many dioceses in six countries.

As Abbot President of the Congregation, Bishop Lorenzo is a member of the Union of Superiors General, which meets bi-annually in Rome, and the Conference of Major Superiors of Men, which meets bi-annually in various regions of the country and at a national assembly each year. On February 27, 2020, His Holiness, Pope Francis named Abbot Lorenzo to serve as an Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of Newark.

Social Concerns *Fr Timothy Graff*



On Thursday October 29, 2020 Fr Timothy Graff, Archdiocesan director of Social Concerns presented a great Zoom presentation on Social Justice titled "What's love got to do with it". For those of you who have missed Fr. Graff's presentation follow the You Tube link.

<https://youtu.be/SJrz15gmuhY>

Deacon Spotlight *Ed Campanella*

Deacon Ed Campanella 77, born in Brooklyn & raised on Long Island was educated at St. Catharine of Alexandria, Brooklyn, St Barnabas, Bellmore NY,



Jerusalem Avenue Junior High School, Wellington C. Mephram H.S, Bellmore NY and State University of NY at Farmingdale (now Farmingdale College) and was awarded an

Associate in Applied Science in Photographic Equipment Technology.

Ed worked 40 years in Imaging Science. Areas of his pursuit in Imaging Science have included: Teaching (college lab level and military), Photographic Film Technical Services, Research, Product Development, Sales Engineering, and Business Development. Ed has worked for: The State University of NY, The US Army Intelligence School at Fort Holibird, in Maryland, Chemco Photoproducts (a film manufacturer), Rolor Manufacturing (a photographic film processor manufacturer), Macbeth Instruments (Densitometer and Spectrophotometer manufacturer), Polychrome Corporation (Graphic Arts and Plotter Film Manufacturer), Kodak-Polychrome Graphics, and prior to retiring in 2003 completed his secular career at National Graphic Supply (as the Mid-Atlantic-Northeast States Business Development Manager). Ed has presented numerous technical seminars to professional and commercial audiences, developed an Imagesetter Sensitometer and has published two photoprocessing quality control articles.

Having lived in Linden New Jersey during his time as a deacon at St. John's, with his most supportive spouse MaryAnn Devlin Haskell Campanella. Empty-nested, together they have five children, six grandchildren and a cat named Chessyboots (now 15, taking as many naps a day).

MaryAnn volunteered as a spiritual director for St. John's Rosary Altar Society, Co-Sacristy Sextant at St. John the Apostle and parish Book Rack Coordinator.

Ed felt called to ministry as a teen, when considering the priesthood; however, entered the Army in 1967 and later married.

The diaconate didn't exist at that time.

Then in 1980 Ed became an extraordinary minister of holy

communion, coming closer to our dear Lord. The Lord continued to tug at Ed's heart. As a deacon Ed feels that his call to the ministry, as a teen, was actually manifested thirty years later for a ministry that did not exist at the time, the Diaconate.

Ordained on June 5, 1999. In addition to being a minister of Charity Word and Sacrament as a Permanent Deacon at St. John's serving at mass and presiding at wakes, committals and baptisms, Ed edits and produces this Archdiocesan DeacoNews deacon newsletter, 49 issues since 2000 (when he continued the work of deceased Deacon Charles Kiley).

He has served as an Advocate on the Archdiocesan Marriage Tribunal for a number of years. At St. John's, he coordinated lay ministry scheduling, co-lead Men's Cornerstone, Oasis Men's Support Group, and Cursillo. He also moderated a Catholic Divorced & Separated Support Group. Participated, as a Spiritual Director in Kenosis prison ministry, served weekly, with Fr. Mike Scott (deceased) at the Department of Corrections Adult Diagnostic Treatment Center in Woodbridge NJ (with the approval of Bishop Bootkoski). Additionally, Deacon Ed has been a Secular Franciscan in the St. John Vianney fraternity for many years.

Ed, thanks the Lord daily being allowed to be a minister of Charity, Word & Sacrament as a permanent deacon.

His personal interests include imaging science, editing this DeacoNews, the newsletter of the Newark Archdiocesan Diaconate Community and gadgetry.

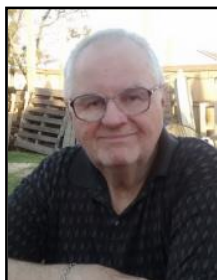
MaryAnn & Ed relocaed Rossmoor Village in Monroe, New Jersey (a 55 and older isolated gated community).

Ed retired, for medical issues, from active ministry on October 1, 2020, after 21 years in the diaconate, and will remain editor of this

DeacoNewsletter as long as he can, God willing.

DeColores, Pax Et Bonam,
Vivat Jesus.

Deacon Michael Cechony



Deacon Michael J. Cechony, was called home to our Lord on October 14, 2020. He passed peacefully, surrounded by his family, in his home in Manchester NJ.

Born May 17, 1943 in New York City. He grew up on the Lower East Side of Manhattan with his siblings: Gerald (deceased), Karen and Janice. Always deeply religious he studied for Holy Orders with the Franciscan brotherhood, but before taking his vows he left the seminary and then met Mary O'Neill, the love of his life.

They married on November 15, 1969. They raised two daughters together in New Milford, NJ. Mike, the reluctant chef, worked feeding the employees of Lipton at their Corporate headquarters for 28 years.

He enjoyed camping with the family, quiet reflection in nature, spending time with his grandchildren, traveling, crafting stained glass, crocheting treasured gifts, special time with Mary, and busting chops. His easy smile and gentle nature made him a fast friend to many.

He pursued his calling to mentor youth in many ways throughout his adult life initially with the CYO youth group in St. Joseph's in Oradell, through years of volunteering at Covenant House in New York City, and through prison ministry at Kenosis.

One June 1, 2002 Mike was ordained a Deacon. He served St. Joseph's Parish for many years until his health

required him to *retire*. Through the years Mike has served the community through Cursillio, Cornerstone, RCIA, and other ministries.

He is survived by his adoring wife Mary, his daughters Nicole Cechony and Laura Morris, sons-in-law Steve Bossen and Ed Morris, grandchildren Tyler Cechony, Hudson Morris, and Andrew Cechony, and his sisters Karen Scarito and Janice Cechony-Dimassis, as well as many friends.

In lieu of flowers Mike requests donations be made to Covenant House, <https://www.covenanthouse.org/>.

Visiting was at Basralian Funeral Home, 559 Kinderkamack Road in Oradell, on Sunday, October 18, 2020 from 2-4 and 7-9. The funeral mass was celebrated at St. Joseph's R.C. Church in Oradell on Monday, October 19, 2020 at 10 AM.

Deacon Michael Lydon



Michael A. Lydon, age 79, of Edgewater, on October 19, 2020. He was born in Jersey City, NJ to the late Francis and Mary Lydon nee; (Coyle), He was a Deacon for Holy Rosary R.C Church, Edgewater, ordained by on June 5, 1999.

A Cable Slicer for Bell Telephone and served as Chief Steward CWA Local 1101. Beloved husband of the late Joan nee; (Mangiaracina). Devoted father of Paul Lydon, Linda Lydon and Michael Lydon, Jr., and his wife Dana. Cherished grandfather of Rebeca, Riever & Katherine.

Everyone assembled for the celebration of his funeral mass, for Michael and Joan, who entered eternal life six days prior to Michael's entry to eternal life at Holy Rosary R.C Church at 10:30 AM on Oct 22, 2020. In Lieu of Flowers donations may be made in

Michael's memory to Holy Rosary Church, Edgewater NJ.

Deacon Charles L. Boucher



1950-2020 Deacon Charles L. Boucher II. Charlie passed on to our Lord at home in Summit, NJ, on Monday, November 2, 2020

where he and his wife Francine (nee Mulholland) have resided for nearly forty years. He was being treated for a rare form of cancer which resulted from the poor air quality in Lower Manhattan, where he worked on and after Sept. 11th. Charlie's two great loves were his wife Fran, of over 45 years, and being a deacon, having been ordained in 2011.

He believed each vocation made him better at the other. His particular interests as a deacon were homiletics, visiting the homebound to deliver Holy Communion, which he did for over twenty years, and baptisms.

Fran and Charlie met in high school, loved to spend time at the beach, to travel, to antique and to simply be with each other as much as possible. In addition, Charlie was an avid outdoorsman and photographer from his youth as an Eagle scout and could be found trekking the Silk Road in Central Asia, 'capturing' the Big Five in East Africa or sleeping on the ice in Antarctica.

Following three years in the Army and his graduation with an MBA from Columbia University, Charlie held senior IT leadership positions for Salomon Brothers and Morgan Stanley and was the Chief Information Officer for Standard & Poor's and later held that position for the Securities & Exchange Commission in D.C. Fran and Charlie loved spending time with

their extended family, especially their fifteen nieces and nephews (and their children). His advice to you is what Jesus so often said: "Go in Peace."

The visitation was on Saturday, November 7, 2020 from 9:30-10:30 AM at Our Lady of Peace Church, 111 South Street, New Providence, NJ. The Funeral Mass followed at 10:30 AM. Interment was at St. Teresa's Cemetery, Summit, NJ.

Contributions to The Scholarship Fund for Inner-City Children Newark) would be appreciated.

Deacon Joseph Vrindten



Joseph G Vrindten, 86, died peacefully on November 12, 2020. He was the loving husband of Patricia (nee) Blaber for 59 years. He was the

devoted father of James, Mary Beckert, (predeceased) by Joseph and Robert. He was a father-figure to our loving daughter-in-law Erin whom dad adored. He was the dedicated grandfather to Amanda, Brittany, Bradley, Christopher, Gracie, Ryan and Kiera. They were the joy of his life!

Joseph graduated from Xavier High School, St. Peter's University and received a Master's Degree in Chemistry from The New Jersey Institute of Technology. He was employed at Lehn & Fink for thirty years.

Joseph was a Deacon in the Archdiocese of Newark. Ordained in 1995. He ministered at St. Francis Church in Hackensack and Ramapo College of New Jersey. He loved ministering to his dear friends at the Prospect Heights Nursing Home for many years. He also enjoyed teaching the students at St. Francis School. He was Grand Knight of the Knights of Columbus 5846 in Oakland as well as

a Fourth Degree Knight. He was also a Scoutmaster for his three sons.

He shared his many gifts with the people he served and loved and truly left his mark on the hearts of many. His children and grandchildren were the center of his world and they felt and will continue to feel, the full embrace of his love and devotion.

Deacons Wives & Widows Memorial



Carmen Macaluso, beloved wife of deceased Deacon Martin Macaluso entered eternal life on October 15, 2020. Both served at St Mary's in South Plainfield.

Joan Lydon entered eternal life six days before her husband Deacon Michael Lydon on October 12, 2020. Both served of Holy Rosary Church in Edgewater, NJ.

USCCB Reminds us of the Nativity Cresche Origins and the Advent

The USCCB YouTube Channel beautifully describes the first Nativity Cresche, presented on Christmas eve in 1223, 797 years ago by St. Francis of Asisi.

Beginning the Church's liturgical year, Advent (from, "ad-venire" in Latin or "to come to") is the season encompassing the four Sundays (and weekdays) leading up to the celebration of [Christmas](#).