



MISSIONARIES OF THE SACRED HEART

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Dear Parishioners of Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Parish,

I am writing to inform you that your pastor, Fr. Jonas Tandayu, has agreed to accept a transfer to become pastor of Holy Family Parish, Nazareth, Pa., effective June 29, 2020. Fr. Joseph Tobias, present pastor of Holy Family in Nazareth is retiring after over 50 years of successful priestly ministry.

Fr. Jonas spent a year at Holy Family, Nazareth, as Parochial Vicar before accepting the pastorate at Our Lady of the Sacred Heart, Watertown, NY, eight years ago. You know what a wonderful shepherd he has been to the OLSH Parish family. Now he will be facing bigger challenges as he moves to Pennsylvania to become pastor of a parish with 2,000 families, a parish elementary school, a large religious education program, a church known for its beautiful liturgies and choirs, and many active parish groups. I know that you will keep Fr. Jonas in your prayers that the Sacred Heart of Jesus will continue to bless and inspire him.

Your new pastor is Fr. Frank Natale, present Parochial Vicar at Holy Family, Nazareth, Pa. He was born in Canton, Ohio, in 1979 and was ordained an MSC priest in 2013. Fr. Frank will officially become pastor of OLSH on June 22, 2020. Fr. Frank has the qualities to become a well-beloved pastor. I know you will give him a true "Sacred Heart"

welcome. Please pray for him as well as for all the MSC priests and brothers.

Changes are unsettling. You will miss Fr. Jonas. But know that you are receiving a new priest who is enthused to be worshipping and working and praying with you to make the Sacred Heart of Jesus loved everywhere.

Sincerely yours,

*Fr. Richard Kennedy, MSC*

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