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MEMO

Date: October 17, 2024
To: Clergy, Pastoral Administrators, Executive Committees, Parishes, Religious, Schools, and Pastoral Centre Staff
From: Bishop Gary Gordon
Re: Pastoral Ministry and Staffing Announcements

Bishop Gary Gordon is pleased to announce that a number of people will be beginning new roles with the Diocese of Victoria in the coming weeks:

Fr. Dongkyu Mark Park, a priest from the Diocese of Wonju in Korea, will begin his service as Pastor to the Korean Community at Sacred Heart Parish effective October 23, 2024.

Marie Pearsall will join the staff of the Pastoral Centre as Communications Coordinator on October 28, 2024. She has been working in the communications industry for over 8 years, and has experience with content strategy, overseeing communications campaigns, and facilitating effective communication and collaboration with stakeholders.

Katherine Loiseau is appointed as Pastoral Administrator to the West Coast Parishes (Holy Family Parish in Ucluelet, St. Francis of Assisi Parish in Tofino, and St. Lawrence Parish in Ahousaht), effective November 4, 2024. A Pastoral Administrator has the responsibility to collaboratively lead and participate in the pastoral care of a parish community. The Sacraments will continue to be celebrated through the kind generosity of Fr. Michael Tran and other priests. Katherine is a graduate of the Encounter School of Ministry's two year program, and is actively involved in the West Coast Parishes and communities. With her husband and three children, she is a long-time resident of the West Coast.

Fr. David Shulist SJ will begin his role as Campus Chaplain to the University of Victoria and Camosun College on November 15, 2024. Fr. David is a Jesuit priest who has many years of experience working in campus chaplaincy and with Indigenous communities in Ontario and Newfoundland.

We are most grateful for the dedicated and faithful clergy and laity who serve in our Diocese. Your continued support and prayers for the ongoing pastoral needs of the Diocese of Victoria are much appreciated.