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Assumption

*** Father Bill Kennedy – Pastor, Assumption**

Fr. Kennedy was ordained May 29, 1971. He is now the oldest priest actively serving in the Saint Margaret Mary Deanery. Prior to becoming pastor at Assumption in 1999, he served as pastor at St. Ann from February, 1987, until he moved under the timeline-year archdiocesan rule. Father Bill is a native of Dayton, Ohio, where he attended Our Lady of Mercy grade school and Chaminade High School. After graduating from St. Joseph College in Rensselaer, Indiana, he did graduate work at the University of Cincinnati. While teaching at St. Gregory College Seminary he was also an associate pastor at St. Andrew Parish, Milford, and from 1973 until the seminary closed in 1980, was weekend help at various parishes, mostly in Clermont County. Fr. Kennedy first served as pastor at St. Peter Church, New Richmond beginning in 1980.

*** William Walborn – Principal, Assumption**

Bill grew up in Wirthington, Ohio. He attended St. Michael grade school, Aquinas High School; graduating in 1963. He then attended O.S.U. and Ohio Dominican College where he graduated in 1969 with a B.A. in Psychology & Business Administration. He received his M.A. in Education Administration from Xavier University in 1975. Bill is in his 37th year of service to Catholic Education (30 in the Archdiocese of Cincinnati) and in his 19th year as principal of Assumption School. Bill is married and has three children. His wife is an educational consultant for a major textbook publisher.

Little Flower

*** Father Robert Goebel – Pastor, Little Flower**

Fr. Robert Goebel, pastor of St. Therese Little Flower since August, 2002. I grew up in Oakley, son of Bob and Ruth Goebel. I have two brothers; Dennis and John. Attended St. Mary, Hyde Park grades 1-3; St. Cecilia, Oakley grades 4-8, graduate of Purcell High School 1966. Attended St. Gregory Seminary/Athenaeum of Ohio. Graduated with a B. A. in 1970 and Ordained; May 25, 1974. Assignments were: associate Our Lady of Lourdes; Nativity, Assumption (Mt. Healthy); Our Lady of Sacred Heart and served on the Tribunal for the Archdiocese; Pastor: St. Saviour; St. Matthias and Little Flower.

*** Linda Westendorf – Principal, Little Flower**

Linda grew up in Clifton and attended St. Monica School. After graduating from McAuley, she went to the College of Mount Saint Joseph, where she earned an Associate Degree in Early Childhood Education and a Bachelor Degree in Elementary Education. After attaining a Master's in Education from the University of Cincinnati and licensure from the State of Ohio, she became a principal. Linda has been at Little Flower School for four years.

St. Ann

* *Father Tom Dennemann – Pastor, St. Ann Parish*

Father Dennemann was born and raised in Oakley and Norwood. He attended St. Mathew and St. Cecilia grade schools and attended high school at Purcell. Colleges attended included St Gregory, Mt. St. Mary and Xavier. Father Tom entered the seminary in 1965 and was ordained in Cincinnati in 1973. He has previously served at Holy Family, (Seton High School), St Mary - Hyde Park, (Ursuline, Marian and Purcell High Schools), St Elizabeth Seton and has called St Ann his home since 1999. His hobbies include sports, theater, film, literature, baking, cards, construction/home improvement, etc.

* *Marianne Rosemond – Principal, St Ann School*

Marianne was raised in Anderson Township and attended Immaculate Heart of Mary Grade School and McNicholas High School. She attended Edgecliff College '83 (B.S.) and Xavier University '89 (M.Ed). Her hobbies include swimming, reading and piano. Marianne began working at St Ann in September '99 after teaching several years at Little Flower.

St. Margaret Mary

* *Father Jerry Gardner – Pastor, St. Margaret Mary*

Father Gardner is from the Cincinnati area with his family home still in the City of Deer Park. His home parish was St. Vincent Ferrer Church. He is a graduate of St. Vincent Ferrer's elementary school and graduate of Moeller High School. He received his B.A. in Philosophy from St. Gregory Seminary and an M.A. in Biblical Studies from Mt. St. Mary Seminary. He was ordained to the priesthood by Archbishop Bernardin on June 16, 1979. He has served as a parochial vicar at St. Margaret Mary Church, North College Hill (1979-1982), St. Helen Church, Dayton (1982 - 1987), Our Lady of Victory Church, Delhi (1987-1995), Sacred Heart Church, Fairfield (1995-1997). He was pastor of St. Patrick Church, Fayetteville, Ohio from 1997-2003. He is presently serving as pastor of St. Margaret Mary Church.

* *Pat Kennedy – Principal, St. Margaret Mary School*

Pat was principal of St. Margaret Mary School the past three years. Previously she was principal at Little Flower School for 26 years. Pat has been in Catholic education 39 years; with all 6 of her children attending Catholic schools. Three of her children have chosen to further their education at Xavier University and one at Mt. St. Joseph.

The facilitator for this group is **Jim Brown**. Jim has worked as a professional organization development consultant and facilitator since 1985; primarily in the non-profit and church related sectors. The focus of his work is strategic planning, leadership and staff development, consensus building and group facilitation. Jim has been a high school religion teacher, was a parish director of religious education; and, was the first lay family life director for the Archdiocese of Cincinnati. He is a part-time faculty member in the education department at Xavier University. Jim and his wife are long term season ticket holders to Muskie basketball games. Their two grown children live and work in Chicago.