



# ST. PATRICK Catholic Community HUDSON, WISCONSIN

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## MEET OUR NEW PRIESTS

For the July Newsletter each of our new priests has been asked to give a short introduction to themselves.



### FATHER DANIEL J. DAHLBERG PASTOR

I was born July 25, 1942 at St. Joseph's Hospital, Superior to Martin and Helen (Stick) Dahlberg. My parents are both deceased. I have two brothers who are married and retired. Jerry and Marilyn Dahlberg, Roswell, New Mexico, and Tom and Kathy Dahlberg, Duluth, Minnesota. I graduated from Superior Cathedral High School in 1959. Attended Seminary at St. John's Collegeville, MN (1959—1961) and Holy Cross Seminary, La Crosse, WI (1961—1963); for theology and graduate studies I attended Catholic University of America, Washington, D.C. (1963—1967). I was ordained a priest for the Diocese of Superior on May 27, 1967 by Bishop George Hammes at the Cathedral of Christ the King, Superior, WI.

My assignments have been:

Associate Pastor: St. Joseph, River Lake (1967—1972)

Pastor: St. Joseph, Barron & St. Peter, Cameron (1972—1977) also associate director to Diocesan Office of Religious Education

Pastor: Immaculate Conception, New Richmond, and St. Patrick, Erin Corner (1977—1984)

Graduate Studies—Canon Law (1984—1985) Catholic University, Washington, D.C.

Pastor: St. Michael, Iron River, Port Wing and Herbster (January—May 1985)

### COMING EVENTS

#### YOUTH MISSION TRIP TO CATHOLIC HEART WORKCAMP

July 24—August 4

#### HOWARD CAMERON'S ORDINATION TO PERMANENT DIACONATE

August 9

#### FALL FEST

September 18, 19

#### PARISH MISSION

October 17—21

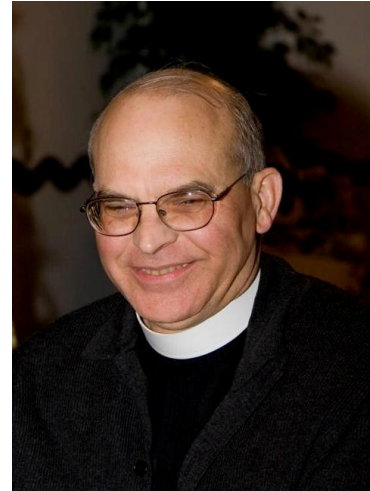
Pastor: St. Bridget, River Falls (1985—1994)  
Pastor: St. Joseph, Osceola, St. Patrick, Cen-  
turia, Our Lady of the Lake, and Balsam  
Lake (1994—1998)  
Rector: Cathedral of Christ the King, Superior  
(1998—2009)  
Vicar General of Diocese (1998— )  
Pastor: St. Patrick, Hudson (2009— )

I have been on the following:

Diocesan Personnel Board  
Chair / Presbyteral Council  
Diocesan Pastoral Council  
Diocesan Office of Religious Education  
Diocesan Catholic Charities Bureau  
Chaplain to Law Enforcement: Superior and  
Douglas County  
Member of Kiwanis & Rotary and Local Minis-  
terial Groups  
Training in Alcohol and Drug Treatment  
through Hezelden  
Help with 4th and 5th steps of AA  
Served at Halfway House, River Falls  
Work at Dorothy Day, St Paul and Sharing and  
Caring Hands, Minneapolis

My ministerial journey (43 years) has been enriching and rewarding—not without its sweat, blood and tears. St. Paul says, “Keep your eyes fixed on Jesus, “ “His grace is sufficient for all things.” The Lord Jesus has been my comfort, my wisdom, my strength, and my hope. Like Mother Teresa says, “Do something beautiful for God each day” and your work will be fruitful—and each night you can freely “rest with the Lord.” Our hearts are restless till they rest in you, O Lord!

## FATHER WILLIAM D. BRENNA ASSOCIATE



Father William D. Brenna was born May 24, 1948, at St. Paul, Minnesota, the oldest of seven children born to the late Duane W. Brenna (of Minneapolis) and Jane M. Brenna (nee Rosenberger) of Inver Grove, Minn. The family’s parish is St. Augustine, South St. Paul. His mother resides in Inver Grove Heights, MN, and his siblings in various places around the country. A brother, Michael lives in Turtle Lake WI and a nephew, Dr. B. J. Brenna, resides with his wife Amy and their two children in Cumberland, WI.

Fr. Brenna is a graduate of Cretin High School (1966), St. Paul MN, and the University of Minnesota-Minneapolis, College of Liberal Arts, from which he was granted a B.A. (History; minor, German) in 1980.

During 1967-1970 he served in the Regular Army as a military police soldier, including two years in Vietnam with the 173rd Airborne Brigade. His primary duties there

involved criminal investigation. Following release from active duty he served in the US Army Reserve in various command and staff positions until his retirement at the rank of major in 1996.

In 1975, he began civilian employment as a Special Agent with the US Department of Defense, and conducted investigations and inspections in support of national security programs, traveling throughout the US. He retired from Federal service in 2003 and spent much of his time during the following two years managing and providing care for his parents. His father entered eternal life in 2007 at the age of 97, and he continues to be involved with his mother's care and living arrangements. Earlier in life he also worked in retail sales (home furnishings) and as a laborer (landscaping and construction).

Fr. Brenna began studies for priesthood at Sacred Heart School of Theology, Hales Corners, Wis. in 2005. He was ordained priest by Bishop Christensen this past June 7th.

Fr. Brenna has had a lifelong interest in Church music, especially Gregorian chant and the German and English choral traditions. He has sung with several choirs, including the Twin Cities Catholic Chorale at St. Agnes Church, St. Paul MN. Formerly a paratrooper, small arms competitive marksman and sport cyclist, he is now an eclectic reader who enjoys gardening and occasional ice fishing with his brothers. Father is graciously permitted the sharing of living space by his two "senior" cats, Frank & Lulah which he has raised from birth.

