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#### Official Appointments:

- **Rev. Msgr. William E. Koenig: Vicar for Clergy Personnel**
- **Father Michael E. Duffy: Rector, Cathedral of Saint Agnes**



**ROCKVILLE CENTRE, NEW YORK – June 23, 2020** – The Most Reverend John O. Barres, Bishop of Rockville Centre has appointed the following priests to the following assignments. These appointments become effective on August 26, 2020.

**Clergy Personnel.** Rev. Msgr. William E. Koenig has been named Vicar of Clergy Personnel, Diocese of Rockville Centre. Since 2009, Rev. Msgr. Koenig has served as rector of the Cathedral of Saint Agnes. Previously, he served as pastor of the Parish of Saint William the Abbot, Seaford. Born in Queens, New York and raised in East Meadow, Rev. Msgr. Koenig attended Saint Pius X Preparatory Seminary, Uniondale; Cathedral College of the Immaculate Conception, Douglaston, and the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception, Huntington.

Ordained to the priesthood on May 14, 1983, Rev. Msgr. Koenig served at the Parish of Saint Edward the Confessor, Syosset, followed by the Parish of Saint James, Setauket. He was appointed director of diocesan vocations in 1989 and director of the Office of Ministry to Priests in 1990. He also served at the Cathedral of Saint Agnes from 1996-2000 before being named pastor of the Parish of Saint William the Abbot. In June 2007, Pope Benedict XVI conferred the papal honor of monsignor on then Father Koenig.



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**Rector, Cathedral of Saint Agnes.** Father Michael F. Duffy has been appointed Rector of the Cathedral of Saint Agnes, Rockville Centre. Since June 2017, Fr. Duffy served as the pastor of Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, Malverne, New York. At the time of his appointment, Fr. Duffy was the youngest pastor in the history of the Diocese of Rockville Centre. From 2016-2019, Fr. Duffy served as the Catholic Chaplain of Long Island University at Post in Brookville, New York. Ordained in June 2012, Fr. Duffy was first assigned as an associate pastor of the Parish of Saint Kilian, Farmingdale.

Fr. Duffy attended public high school at Mac Arthur High School in Levittown. He attended Fordham University where he studied at the Rose Hill Campus, earning a Bachelor's degree with a major in Philosophy and a minor in Theology. Immediately following completion of his bachelor's degree, Fr. Duffy entered the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception in Lloyd Harbor. He graduated from the seminary with a Master's degree in Divinity as well as a Master's degree in Theology. Fr. Duffy recently completed a Master's degree in Ecclesiastical Administration from The Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C.

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