

Fr. Ramon Leaving St. Elizabeth

Father Ramon Owera, Administrator, St. Elizabeth Church, will be leaving the parish on a date yet to be determined. Fr. Ramon has served in various parishes over the past twenty-seven years as a member of the Sons of the Immaculate Conception Order (CFIC). After careful discernment, Father Ramon has requested and received approval from his Superior General in Rome and Bishop Campbell to leave the Order and to become a priest of the Diocese of Columbus.

Father Ramon is no longer officially a priest of the Sons of the Immaculate Conception (CFIC), but is remaining here as Administrator of our parish at the request of Bishop Campbell until his successor arrives; there is no date for this as of yet. Father Ramon will be assigned to serve in another parish as soon as our new Administrator is named.

The North American Delegation of the CFIC, with Bishop Campbell's approval, will name a new Administrator to St. Elizabeth. Fr. Jesse Chick, CFIC, and Fr. Sudhakar Reddy, CFIC, will continue their ministries in our parish and in the diocese. Both will remain at St. Elizabeth as the parish continues to be a firmly planted Catholic presence on the north side.

Father Ramon will continue to celebrate First Saturday evening Masses in Tagalog at St. Elizabeth. Father will also celebrate Simbang Gabi at St. Elizabeth, December 15 – 23, 2018. An appropriate event will be arranged in the future to allow the parish to say goodbye to Father Ramon, to thank him, and to wish him well in his future ministry in the Diocese of Columbus.