

Dear St. Joseph Parish,

In this Easter Season it is with great excitement that I introduce myself to you. My name is Fr. Timothy Schumaker and beginning June 18<sup>th</sup>, I will have the blessing to be your new priest administrator of St. Joseph Parish.

When I was in eighth grade my family moved to Mequon and we would from time to time attend St. Joseph. I remember feeling a warm, vibrant, faith-filled, and welcoming community. I am very much looking forward to no longer being a visitor of your parish family, but a member of it.

St. Joseph will mark my first experience as an administrator of a parish. I am honored to share this experience with you and look forward to this next chapter of my priesthood. I have to admit that my parents, who still live in Mequon, are also quite happy I am moving close to them.

I was ordained a priest in 2021 and am currently completing my first parish assignment at St. Dominic Parish in Brookfield as Associate Pastor. The three years spent at St. Dominic have been a gift and I am most grateful for my time there.

I would like to thank Fr. Nick for his guidance during this transition and for his two years at St. Joseph. As I am learning for the first time, it is always difficult to leave a parish family. I have known Fr. Nick for many years and his love for the St. Joseph community is apparent. I hope to continue the good work he has done and lean on what he has learned from this community.

I am anxious to meet each one of you and look forward to doing so on June 18<sup>th</sup>. Until then know of my prayers and may the Easter Peace and Joy continue to reign in your hearts this Easter Season!

With Joy and Thanksgiving,

Fr. Timothy Schumaker

