

Rev. Joseph M. Benedict, S.T.D.

Professional History

St. Joseph Cathedral Basilica San Jose, California	Pastor (July 2012 – Present)
St. William Catholic Church Los Altos, California	Pastor (July 2009 – June 2012)
Diocese of San Jose San Jose, California	Director of Permanent Deacon Formation (July 2004 – Dec. 2007; July 2009 – Present)
St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church San Jose, California	Parochial Vicar (2001-2004)
	Administrator (July 2002 – May 2003)
St. Lucy Catholic Church Campbell, California	Parochial Vicar (1997-2001)
Honeywell, Defense Avionics and Space Division Albuquerque, New Mexico	Design Engineer (1984-1991)

Education

Jesuit School of Theology at Berkeley	Doctor of Sacred Theology (<i>Magnum cum Laude</i>)	(2006-2009)
Dissertation: <i>Human Embryo Adoption Within The Roman Catholic Moral Tradition</i>		
Jesuit School of Theology at Berkeley Berkeley, California	Licentiate in Sacred Theology Moral Theology	(2003-2006)
Thesis: <i>Post Abortive Fetal Tissue as a Source for Pluripotent Stem Cells</i>		
St. Patrick's Seminary and University Menlo Park, California	Master of Divinity Master of Arts - Theology	(1992-1997)
Mount Angel Seminary (1991-1992) Mount Angel, Oregon	Pre-Theology Program	(1991-1992)
University of New Mexico Albuquerque, New Mexico	M.S. Electrical Engineering Concentration – Solid State Physics	(1985-1987)
New Mexico State University Las Cruces, New Mexico	B.S. Electrical Engineering Minors – Mathematics, Economics	(1979-1984)

Professional Activities

Retreat Director:

Retreat – Permanent Deacons Diocese of Monterey, California

May 2016

Following a Poetic God: Images of Life and Holiness

Parish Mission - St. Stephen's Catholic Church Valrico, Florida

March 2010

The Spiritual Life: Moving From Chaos to Recreation

Retreat – Permanent Deacons Diocese of St. Petersburg, Florida

September 2009

Reimaging Diaconate: From Vocation to Vision

Parish Mission - St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Community San Jose, California

May 2009

Considering a Family of Disciples

Retreat – Permanent Deacon Candidate Retreat Diocese of San Jose, California

December 2008

The Deacon at Mass: Expressions of a Deeper Ministry

Retreat – Permanent Deacons Diocese of St. Petersburg, Florida

September 2006

The Deacon at Mass: Expressions of a Deeper Ministry

Permanent Deacon Ordination Retreat Archdiocese of San Francisco

May 2005, 2007

Embracing a Vocation; Living Distinctive Discipleship

Permanent Deacon Candidate Retreat Diocese of Honolulu

June 2005

Wondering with God

Teaching:

Santa Clara University
Graduate Program in Pastoral Ministries
Santa Clara, California

Issues in Moral Theology
Catholic Social Teaching
Ethics in Preaching

Spring 2016
Fall 2009, Fall 2015
Spring 2009

St. Patrick's Seminary and University
Menlo Park, California

Pastoral Ministry in the American Church

Spring 2006, 2007

Institute for Leadership in Ministry
Diocese of San Jose

Catholic Social Teaching
Virtuous Leadership

2002-2017

Committees:

College of Consultors
Diocese of San Jose

July 2015 – Present

Bio-Ethics Review Board
O'Connor Hospital - San Jose, CA

May 2009 – May 2016

Diocesan Environment and Architecture Committee
Diocese of San Jose

2000-2005

Council of Priests
Diocese of San Jose

2000-2006, 2009-2015