



“DON’T WORRY FATHER ARCOLEO, I GOT YOUR BACK.”

Last Sunday, *A Message From The Pastor* let you know which newly Ordained Priest would be *coming home* to Our Holy Redeemer where *coming home is what it’s all about*. For those of you who missed it, and as a reminder to the rest of you, his name is Rev. Father Alessandro da Luz.

Father Alessandro hails from East Northport, New York. For most of his twenty six years in the *lay-state*, home for Father Alessandro was Christ the King in Commack, New York. It was there that he grew in grace and wisdom before God and man while serving as an Altar Boy, Sacristan, and Rectory-receptionist, and discerned the call to the Sacred Priesthood. A call that was nourished with a good family life in East Northport, a Diocesan High School education at Saint John the Baptist in West Islip, collegiate studies at Saint Joseph’s College in Patchogue, post graduate work at the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception in Huntington and Saint Joseph’s Seminary in Yonkers, and Pastoral life at Our Lady of Victory in Floral Park! In each of these places, a growing Alessandro gave expression to his *adsum* until finally he and four other men (Father Andrew Garnett – assigned to Our Lady of Lourdes/West Islip, Father James Hansen – assigned to Saint Agnes/Rockville Centre, Father Sean Magaldi – assigned to Saint Patrick/Smithtown, and Father Jeff Yildirmaz – assigned to Saint Aidan/Williston Park) was able to express it definitively on Saturday, 20 June 2015 at Saint Agnes Cathedral in Rockville Centre.



The Almighty has done great things for us, and Holy is His Name! Please join me in thanking Him for this great thing – a newly Ordained Priest – and please join me in thanking Bishop Murphy (remember him at Mass, say a Rosary for him, send him a card or better yet send him a “vocation”, answer the *Catholic Ministries Appeal*) for sending him *home* to Our Holy Redeemer where Alessandro will not only be nourished in answering the call to holiness, but Rev. Father Alessandro will nourish us in answering that same call!

Please Pray for Our Priests

- 29 June: All Priests on Leave
- 30 June: Father Rudyferio Pesongco & Father Stephen Pietrowski
- 1 July: **Father Jose Quilcate** & Father Henry Sattler, C.S.s.R.
Father Jose has been an Associate Pastor at Our Holy Redeemer for three years. Your prayers will help him to continue in that service.
- 2 July: Father John J. Fitzgerald & Father Piotr Rozek
- 3 July: Father Valentine D. Rebello & Father Francis Agyerman
- 4 July: All Those Discerning Religious Life
- 5 July: Our Holy Father Pope Francis & Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI



And Especially for Our Newly Ordained Priests



Father Alessandro da Luz

Father Andrew Garnett

Father James Hansen

Father Sean Magaldi

Father Jeff Yildirmaz

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