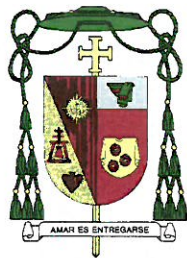


DIocese OF SAN BERNARDINO



OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

May 20, 2016

Dear Father,

Happy Feast Day.....the Feast of St. Bernardine of Siena!

Tomorrow, Saturday, May 21st, we celebrate the ordination of six new priests for our Diocese of San Bernardino. It has come to my attention that many of you received the date for this ordination very late. It has caused a conflict for some of you since you already have a full calendar for tomorrow. I am very sorry and I truly apologize. I realize that your obligations at the parish, and other commitments you have already made, will not allow you to join us for the ordinations. I will convey this to the newly ordained and assure them of your support and your prayers.

To help avoid this conflict for the next few years, I am sending you the dates for the next four diocesan presbyteral ordinations.

- May 20, 2017
- May 19, 2018
- May 18, 2019
- May 16, 2020

Thank you for your commitment to the priesthood.

Sincerely in Christ,

+ Gerald R. Barnes

Most Reverend Gerald R. Barnes
Bishop of the Diocese of San Bernardino