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MEMORANDUM

To: All Parishes
All Clergy
All Institutes of Consecrated Life

From: Archbishop Richard Gagnon

Date: April 30, 2020

Re.: Director of Pastoral Services

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After nine years of service Deacon Ted Wood is retiring as the Director of Pastoral Services for the Archdiocese of Winnipeg. Deacon Ted has been a source of sage advice and servant leadership to the Pastoral Service Offices and indeed to the entire Catholic Centre. In addition, Deacon Ted was involved in a number of committees and commissions over the past nine years which put him in touch with many parishes and institutions. Of particular note, Deacon Ted was a key part of the Synod leadership serving as part of the Secretariat. We are grateful for his service and wish Ted and Nancy well as they continue their ministry through Chemin Neuf and their work at the St Charles's Retreat Centre.

I am pleased to announce the appointment of John Acosta as the new Director of Pastoral Services effective May 1, 2020. John is known to most of us as he is currently serving as Director of Youth Ministry for the Archdiocese. John and his wife Cheryl and their three children are parishioners of St. Patrick's Parish in Winnipeg. We welcome John to this new position of leadership in the Archdiocese.