

January 12, 2024

Dear Friends,

As we enter 2024 and continue our mission to grow the Kingdom of God, I am thrilled to welcome with you Father Brett Williams as our second associate pastor and Director of Worship and Prayer Ministry at Saint Clement!

At Saint Clement, we foster a close partnership between our excellent staff and you, our members, working hand-in-hand to engage people, promote a sense of belonging, share the gift of faith, and equip disciples to lead others to Jesus. Over the past three years, we have been incredibly fortunate to have the ministry of Fr. Matthew, who has not only served as my associate pastor, but has also taken on the role of director of the RCIA program and faith formation. However, with the growing needs of our community, it has become apparent that we require an additional associate pastor to best serve you and continue our growth.

Many of you may already be familiar with Fr. Brett, as he spent eight months with us in 2022/23 during his sabbatical. A native of Durban, South Africa, Fr. Brett was a college professor before answering the call to priesthood. He has served in various capacities within a parish as well as the diocese, including his role as the Chancellor and acting Vicar General of the Archdiocese. Father Brett brings with him incredible insight, sensitivity to ministry, and a vibrant pastoral imagination that will undoubtedly benefit our community.

I would like to extend a warm invitation to each and every one of you to **join me this Sunday at the 11:15 Mass as Fr. Brett will preside at his first Mass in his new role** and we officially welcome him to our community with a special blessing. Additionally, we will host a **welcome reception on Sunday, Jan. 21** at 12:15 p.m. in the chapel.

Let us come together as a community to embrace this new chapter and support Fr. Brett in his ministry among us. I am confident that his presence will enrich our parish life and contribute to the continued growth of our faith community.

With much gratitude for each and everyone of you,
- Fr. Peter Wojcik, *Pastor*



Pictured from L to R: Fr. Peter, Fr. Brett, Fr. Matt