



Associates of Brighton Carmel
 Supporting the
 Discalced Carmelite Friars
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GREETINGS FROM OUR NEW PRIOR:

MERRY CHRISTMAS & HAPPY NEW YEAR!



My Dear Family in Carmel,
 May your Christmas Day be filled
 with much JOY and GRATITUDE!
 May your Christmas Season enrich you with an
 abundance of BLESSINGS!
 And may your New Year bring you
 a wealth of GOOD HEALTH
 and a multitude of HAPPINESS!

**In the Radiance of the birth of our Savior we are,
 Fr. Prior & Community**

POSTULANT DIRECTOR:



Fr. Ralph-Elias Haddix is not only our new Prior, he is also a Provincial Councilor and the Postulant Director.

In January he will begin the formation of two young men who are discerning their call to the Order of Discalced Carmelites:

Noah Scheibmeir is

28 years old and is from Sherman, Texas. Noah worked in theater production before coming to us. He was involved with many ministries in his parish. As a child he read the lives of the saints but it was later, while reading about Simon Stock, that he was introduced to the Carmelite Order.

The meetings with our OCD nuns, and their offering Noah a pamphlet about the friars, was what encouraged him to start on his path of inquiry.

John Joseph Morris (nickname Jack) is 22 years old and is from Hartland, Wisconsin. Jack has been involved with volunteer roles at his parish as well as a number of faith related organizations. He is a loyal and committed friend whose generosity to family and friends is exceptional.

He has stated that it was not until he was eighteen that he formally considered a religious vocation. It was his relationship with the Holy Hill community and of a Confirmation Retreat that nurtured this consideration.

Please be so kind as to mention in your prayers the discernment of Noah and Jack.
THANK YOU for your spiritual support.



STUDENT MASTER:

You may remember Fr. Bona-venture Lussier from his

previous assignments here in Brighton. He arrived in October and has been busy settling in and coordinating the new program as the Student

Master. His students are simply professed members studying for the brotherhood.

First, Br. Emmanuel Burke is from Dedham, Massachusetts. He is studying for an MA in Theology at Saint John Seminary (Boston archdiocesan seminary).



Second, Br. John-Mary is from Alabama; he is doing independent study. Next spring he will begin studies toward an MA in Spirituality, with a concentration in Carmelite Spirituality.

TRANSFERS: Fr. Mark-Joseph Develis moved to Holy Hill, WI along with Fr. David Centner. We are grateful for their ministry here in Brighton.



Fr. Donald Brick was transferred here from our Basilica Shrine at Holy Hill, WI to be the new Provincial Treasurer. He arrived with his dog Jack.

You may remember Br. Charles Gamen; he was here before and has returned to us from West Milwaukee, WI.

He has taken on a lot of work as our sacristan, porter, bell ringer and shopper.



THE DISCALCED CARMELITE SECULAR ORDER MAIN OFFICE

The main office of our Secular Order was



moved here from Washington DC in November. Fr. Leonard Copeland is in charge as the Provincial Delegate. The Administrator in the office is Loretta Gallagher, OCDS.

You are welcome to inquire about the Secular order online: ocdswashprov.org or by telephone: **617- 851-8584.**

VOCATIONS: If you are interested in the spirituality of our Order and want information about joining our Order please contact the Vocation website ocdfriarsvocation.org You may also phone Fr Ralph-Elias at 617-787- 5056.

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