



IS THERE ANYBODY OUT THERE WHO HAS WHAT IT TAKES?

On Corpus Christi Sunday 2018, Our Holy Redeemer welcomed home Father Pierre Toussaint, CFR (aka Brother PT, Alain Guiteau) as the Celebrant of our 5:00 P.M. Mass. With him came nearly twenty-five other Priests; some from his *Franciscan Friars of the Renewal* Community, others from the Archdiocese of New York, and still others from the Diocese of Brooklyn and our own beloved Diocese of Rockville Centre. With those Priests were a few transitional Deacons (men preparing for Ordination to the Priesthood), two Parish-Altar Servers (including our own Joseph La Rocca and Pablo Arevalo), and Women Religious from the *Franciscan Sisters of the Renewal* and the *Sisters of Life*. Members of Father Toussaint’s family, side by side with lifelong friends and parishioners of Our Holy Redeemer, helped fill the church with a homecoming experience that was (as we say at Our Holy Redeemer): absolutely beautiful!

At the end of Mass, before Father invited everyone to the Our Holy Redeemer School gymnasium to receive individual first blessings, he thanked the parishioners of Our Holy Redeemer Parish for the prayerful support and encouraging cards and letters that he received from them during the years of his formation. He smiled while saying (and people laughed hearing him say it): “You’re probably glad that you won’t have to see my face in the bulletin anymore”.

Father Toussaint’s face may no longer be a “weekly” part of our bulletin’s *Faith and Prayer* Page, but he will certainly be a part of our prayers for Priests; and as such, his face will more than likely find its way back into our Parish bulletin! But whose face will take its place when it’s not there? **Is there anybody out there** (thank you *Pink Floyd*) who you think has what it takes to be counted amongst those we pray for on our *Faith and Prayer* Page as a Seminarian/a future Priest? As you can see from the faces of our current day Priests, the faces of our future Priest come in all shapes, sizes, and colours, which is a reminder that “not as man sees does God see, because man sees the appearance but the LORD looks into the heart” (1 Samuel xvi:7).



Who knows, maybe one of our fifteen De La Salle School graduates has got what it takes. Let’s find out by praying daily for one of these young Christian gentleman:



Harvest Master, Your harvest is rich and the labourers are few. If it be Your will, send (Ajani Abreu) into Your harvest as a Priest. Through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

Ajani Abreu
Emil Figueroa
Kenneth Fuentes
Justin Goodson
Matthew Green

Marcus Guillaume-Sam
Jay Nathan
Jorge Guerrero
Luis Jimenez
Augusto Lebron

Brendon McCalla
Anthony Quiñonez
Miguel Rodriguez
Justin Zelaya
Gianni Zuna