

# The Rev. Fr. Richard Creighton Sauerzopf+

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*...But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God; who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God. And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, full of grace and truth; we have beheld his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father...*



Seeking to live into the Vocation of the Priesthood of the Church of Christ, in all of its Offices, Faithfully and with Discipline, Discipleship, and devotion; with Humility, Love, and Joy; while Caring, Teaching, Serving, and Learning; and all through the Sacraments, and in much Prayer.

Seeking to see, to know, and to serve the People of Christ's Church, with all of the People of the world, through the Eyes of Christ, so as to know them and to Love them with all of the Generosity and the Truth of His Sacred Heart.

Hoping to experience and to now, to witness, to advocate, to illustrate, and to advance the Message of the Gospel, which is the Kingdom of Heaven made Manifest for us in Christ Jesus.

Hoping to remember to the People of God the extraordinary yet universal Truth that we are, we always have been, and we always will be made and called, and promised and given to live in the very Life of the Holy Trinity, for as God has taken on the form of our own humanity in Christ, Jesus, he has given to us nothing short of His Divinity.

## Canonical Residence:

- Diocese of Michigan

The Right Reverend Wendell N. Gibbs, Junior, X Bishop of Michigan. Diocesan Centre, St. Paul's Cathedral, Detroit, Michigan.

## Ordinations:

- Presbyterial Ordination

23 January, 2010. The Right Rev. Wendell N. Gibbs, Jr., ordaining. St. Paul's Church, Lansing, Michigan.

- Diaconal

13 June, 2009. The Right Rev. Wendell N. Gibbs, Jr., ordaining. St. Paul's Cathedral, Detroit, Michigan.

## Education:

- Master of Divinity

Bexley Hall Seminary, at Trinity Lutheran Seminary. Columbus, Ohio. Graduated: May 2008.

Principal Subject Areas: Systematic Theology, Scriptural Studies, Church History.

- Doctor of Philosophy

Political Science Department, Nelson A. Rockefeller College of Public Affairs and Policy, State University of New York at Albany. Albany, New York. Graduated: June 2002.

Principal Subject Areas and Teaching Certifications: Political Philosophy, American Politics, Urban Politics, Public Policy, Qualitative and Quantitative Analysis.

- Master of Arts

Political Science Department, Nelson A. Rockefeller College of Public Affairs and Policy, State University of New York at Albany. Albany, New York. Graduated: August 1993.

Principal Subject Areas: Political Philosophy, American Politics, Urban Politics and Policy.

- Bachelor of Arts

St. John Fisher College. Rochester, New York. Graduated with Honours: May 1990.

Principal Subject Areas: Political Science, Theology, English Literature, Chemistry.

- High School

Notre Dame High School. A high school of the Diocese of Rochester and a ministry of the Sisters of Mercy. Elmira, New York. Graduated with New York State Board of Regents Honours: June 1985.



## Employment:

### *Pastorates:*

- **Interim Rector,**  
October 2015 - September 2016. St. Philip's Church. Beulah, Michigan.
- **Priest-in-Charge,**  
June 2012 - September 2015. St. John's Church. Charlotte, Michigan.
- **Assistant to the Rector (Curate),**  
January 2010 - June 2012. St. Paul's Church. Lansing, Michigan.
- **Deacon (Temporary),**  
June 2009 - January 2010. St. Paul's Church. Lansing, Michigan.

### *Positions in University Education, Research, and Administration:*

#### **Research Associate and Lecturer,**

- Fall 2008 - Fall 2013. *Visiting Research Associate:* Global Urban Studies Program, College of Social Sciences, Michigan State University. East Lansing, Michigan.
- Fall 2008 - 2009. *Instructor;* Political Science Department, College of Social Sciences, Michigan State University. East Lansing, Michigan.

#### **Lecturer, Instructor, Academic Administrator,**

- Fall 1998 - Spring 1999, Summer 2006. *Part Time Faculty Instructor;* Department of Geography and Urban Planning, College of Urban, Labor, And Metropolitan Affairs, Wayne State University. Detroit, Michigan.
- Fall 1999 – Fall 2005. *Lecturer;* Department of Geography and Urban Planning, College of Urban, Labor, And Metropolitan Affairs, Wayne State University. Detroit, Michigan.
- Fall 2001 – Fall 2005. *Director;* Urban Studies Co-Major Program, Department of Geography and Urban Planning, College of Urban, Labor, And Metropolitan Affairs, Wayne State University. Detroit, Michigan.

#### **Adjunct Instructor**

- Fall 1994 - Spring 1998; Department of Political Science, Nelson A. Rockefeller College of Public Affairs and Policy, State University of New York at Albany. Albany, New York.

#### **Teaching Assistant**

- Fall 1990 - Spring 1994; Department of Political Science, Nelson A. Rockefeller College of Public Affairs and Policy, State University of New York at Albany. Albany, New York.



## Employment:

### *Positions in Public Affairs and Policy Analysis:*

- Area Development Analyst / Metropolitan Inequities Project, Archdiocese of Detroit, Spring 1999. Prepared by Commission a comparative and historical analysis of policies related to suburban sprawl and inequity in the Detroit region. Archdiocese of Detroit. Detroit, Michigan.
- Area Development Analyst / Department of Geography and Urban Planning, Fall 1998. Substantially edited, rewrote, organized, updated, and revised the Department's "Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice," (produced for the Nelson A. Rockefeller Institute of Government, State University of New York). College of Urban, Labor, and Metropolitan Affairs. Wayne State University. Detroit, Michigan.
- Graduate Public Policy Analyst / Center for Legislative Development, United States Agency for International Development, October 1997 - August 1998. Analysis of the development of local level legal institutions in the nation of Guinea Bissau, commissioned by the United States Agency for International Development. Nelson A. Rockefeller College of Public Affairs and Policy. State University of New York at Albany. Albany, New York.
- Governors' Graduate Public Policy Analyst / Appalachian Regional Commission, September 1996 - September 1997: Rural area development policy analysis. New York State Department of State, Division of Government Services, Office of Local Government Services, Appalachian Regional Commission Program Unit. Albany, New York.
- Graduate Analyst of Public Affairs and Policy / Division of Legislative Studies, 1994 - 1995. Nelson A. Rockefeller Institute of Government, State University of New York (SUNY Central, not SUNY Albany) . Albany, New York.
- Assistant Editor / Rockefeller Institute "Bulletin," a journal of Public Affairs and Policy in the Nation and the State of New York public. 1994 and 1995 editions. Nelson A. Rockefeller Institute of Government. The State University of New York (SUNY Central, not SUNY Albany), Albany, New York.

## Community, Professional, and Ecclesial Service Activities:

- Director / Urban Studies Co-Major Program. Department of Geography and Urban Planning, Wayne State University. (Appointment ended June 2005.)
- Member of the Vestry and Chapter / St. Paul's Cathedral Church, (Episcopal) Detroit (Terms of Service ended December 2005.)
- Member, Student Judiciary Committee / College of Urban, Labor, and Metropolitan Affairs. (2004/2005 Academic Year.)
- Committeeman / (Roman Catholic) Archdiocese of Detroit Coalition on Urban Sprawl and Metropolitan Inequity. (Appointed Winter 2001, Committee Disbanded, 2004.)
- Member / Wayne State University Episcopal-Lutheran Chaplaincy Board. (2003-2005.)
- Member / Urban Affairs Association 2001 Annual Meeting Host Planning Committee, College of Urban, Labor, and Metropolitan Affairs, Wayne State University. (August 2000-April 2001.)

## Earlier Accomplishments:

- Editor-in-Chief / The Pioneer Student Weekly. (Fall 1989) Saint John Fisher College. Rochester, New York.
- Founding member and Commissioner / Eldridge Park Preservation Society, Incorporated. (1985 - 1988) A community action group dedicated to the preservation of a Victorian era public gardens and Edwardian era amusement midway. Elmira, New York.
- Undergraduate Student Intern / Monroe County Majority Legislative Staff Office (January - August 1988). Rochester, New York.
- Graduate Student Intern / New York State Assembly Speaker's Rochester Regional Office (January - August 1989). Rochester, New York.

## Certifications:

### *Diocesan Licensure*

- Licensed to celebrate the sacraments of the Church in the Dioceses of Michigan, Western Michigan, and Central New York.

### *Child Abuse Prevention Training, and Sexual Misconduct Prevention Training*

- Completed January 20, 2007. All Saints Church, New Albany, Ohio. Diocese of Southern Ohio. This Training satisfies the Church Insurance Company Warranty for Sexual Misconduct (July 1, 1993) Article 4. It also fulfills the requirements of Title III of the Canons of the Episcopal Church for training in Child Sexual Abuse and Sexual Misconduct Prevention Training.

### *Healing Racism: Seeing the Face of God in Each Other.*

- Completed October 10, 2009. St. Gabriel's Church, Eastpointe, Michigan. Diocese of Michigan.

### *Maintaining Professional Boundaries (Prevention of Clergy Misconduct).*

- Completed September 21, 2007. (4.5 hours of continuing education in fulfillment of the requirements of the Episcopal Diocese of California and El Camino, Presbyteries of the Presbyterian Church, USA, Trinity Lutheran Seminary, et cetera.) Trinity Lutheran Seminary (ELCA), Columbus, Ohio.

### *Supervised Clinical Ministry.*

- Completed 400 hours of Supervised Clinical Ministry. June 4, 2007 – August 10, 2007. The Rev. James K. Jensen, SCM Supervisor. Lutheran Village of Columbus, sponsored by Lutheran Social Services of Central Ohio. (In fulfillment of Clinical Pastoral Education requirements of Trinity Lutheran Seminary and the Diocese of Michigan, with the approval of the Right Rev. Wendell N. Gibbs, Jr., Bishop.



## Pastoral References:

The Rev. Canon Mtr. Meredith Hunt, Rector (Retired). St. John's Church. Sturgis, Michigan.  
Mobile: (313) 850-7310. hunt4merry@icloud.com

The Ven. Marilou Schlotterbeck, Archdeacon. Diocese of Western Michigan. Deacon, St. Philip's Church, Beulah, Michigan. Office: (231) 882-4506. deacon@stphilipsbeulah.org

The Rev. Fr. William Doubleday. Rector, St. Mark's Church. Mount Kisco, New York. Office: (914) 666-8058. williamadoubleday@gmail.com

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The Rev. Canon Fr. William Spaid. Canon to the Ordinary. Diocese of Western Michigan.  
Kalamazoo, Michigan. Office: (269) 381-2710. wspaid@edwm.org

The Rev. Fr. Richard A. Burnett, Rector. Trinity Church Capitol Square. Columbus, Ohio. Office: (614) 221-5351. r-burnett@trinitycolumbus.org

The Very Rev. Fr. Stephen H. Bancroft, Dean Emeritus. Cathedral Church of St. Paul. Detroit, Michigan. Mobile: (313) 570-1811. Residence: (248) 647-1871. shb1871@sbcglobal.net

Mrs. Kit Ilardi, Director of Christian Education and Formation. Cathedral Church of St. Paul. Detroit, Michigan. Office: (313) 833-4415. Mobile: (248) 872-3967. kilardi@edomi.org

## Additional References:

- More references are available for me from my Ministry Profile, maintained by The Episcopal Church's Office of Transitional Ministry, and my Comprehensive Curriculum Vitae, which is posted in the "Academic Life" section of my website:

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- Additionally, I am happy to provide names and contact information for parishioner references, upon request. Please see also the "Commendations" page and related materials on my website. Please see also my LinkedIn Professional Profile:

<https://www.linkedin.com/in/sauerzopf>

## Professional Associations:

- Society of Catholic Priests.
- Society of Scholarly Priests.
- Urban Affairs Association.

## Medical References:

- Medical references and reports are available upon request, including information pertaining to Marfan's Syndrome.