



Lord God, We ask you to hold the people of Ukraine deep in your heart.
Protect them, we pray;
From violence, From political gamesmanship, from being used and abused.

Give, we pray,
the nations of the world the courage and the wisdom to stand up for justice
and the courage too, to dare to care - generously.

Lord in your mercy,
Take from us all, The tendencies in us That seek to lord it over others:
Take from us those traits that see us pursuing our own needs and wants
before those of others.
Teach us how to live in love And dignity And respect - following your example.
In your name and for your sake,
Amen

SCALABRINIAN FATHER JACQUES E. FABRE NAMED 14TH BISHOP OF CHARLESTON

Pope Francis has appointed an order priest born in Haiti as the new pastoral leader for the Diocese of Charleston. Bishop Robert E. Guglielmone introduced Father Jacques Fabre, CS, as the 14th Bishop of Charleston. Bishop-elect Fabre is a member of the religious order the Missionaries of St. Charles (Scalabrinian Fathers).

“I am humbled to be named Bishop of Charleston and look forward to serving the people of South Carolina,” said Bishop elect Fabre. “As shepherd, it is my hope to work together to strengthen our Church and project God’s love to all who we encounter.”

Bishop-elect Fabre was born on Nov. 13, 1955, in Port-Au-Prince, Haiti. He immigrated to New York City while in high school and completed his secondary education. He joined the order of the Missionaries of St. Charles and took his first vows in 1982. Four years later, on Oct. 10, 1986, he was ordained to the priesthood in Brooklyn, NY.

Over the past 35 years, Bishop elect Fabre served in various locations and in a variety of roles:

1986-1990 Our Lady of Guadalupe in Immokalee, Fla.

1990-1991 — Parochial Vicar in Our Lady of Perpetual Help in Delrey Beach, Fla., and Aggiornamento Course ITEPAL Social Communication and Enculturation of the Gospel in Colombia

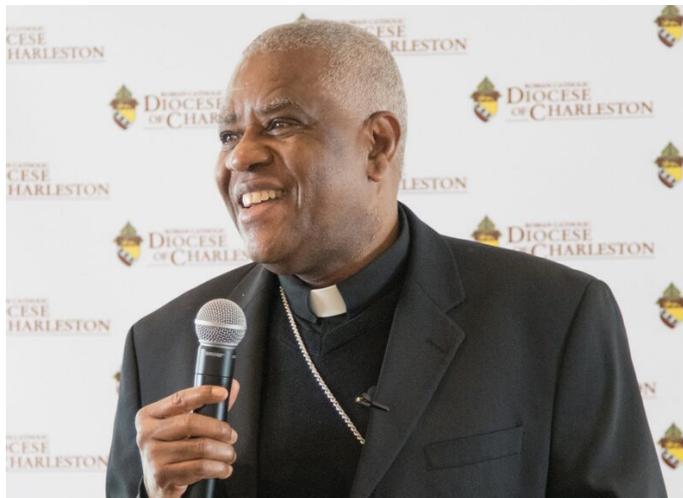
1991-1992 — Ministry to Haitian Refugees as Chaplain in Guantanamo Bay, Cuba

1992-2004 — Administrator of Nuestra Señora de la Caridad del Cobre in San Pedro de Macoris D.R.

2004-2006 — Human Mobility in Rome

2007-2008 - Parochial Vicar at St. Joseph in Athens, Ga.

Since 2008, Bishop-elect Fabre has served as administrator of Mission San Felipe de Jesus in Forest Park, Ga. He speaks five languages including English, Spanish, Italian, French and Creole.



Bishop Jacques E. Fabre, CS

Bishop-elect Fabre will succeed Most Rev. Robert E. Guglielmone, DD, who has served as the Bishop of Charleston since March 2009.

“As Bishop of Charleston, it has been a pleasure to serve the faithful in South Carolina. Together, we have served the less fortunate, developed new programs, opened additional schools and outreach centers, and built new churches,” said Bishop Guglielmone. “There is so much more to be done and I’m more than confident that Bishop-elect Fabre will serve our diocese well in the upcoming years.”

Bishop-elect Fabre will be installed as the 14th Bishop of Charleston on April 29.



(CNS photo/Michael Alexander, The Georgia Bulletin)

Pope Francis names Shelton J. Fabre New Archbishop of Louisville

Archbishop Shelton J. Fabre was born October 25, 1963, to Luke Fabre, Jr and Theresa Ann Vallet Fabre.

He is the fifth of six children. He attended primary and secondary schools in New Roads, LA graduating in 1981 as valedictorian of Catholic High School of Pointe Coupe. He then entered Saint Joseph Seminary College in St. Benedict, Louisiana, graduating with a Bachelor of History degree in 1985.

After completing his studies at Saint Joseph, Fabre was sent to the American College of Louvain in Leuven, Belgium. He received additional priestly formation there while studying at the Katholieke Universiteit te Leuven. He was awarded a Bachelor of Religious Studies degree in 1987 and a Master of Religious Studies degree in 1989 from Katholieke Universiteit.

Fabre was ordained a priest for the Diocese of Baton Rouge on August 5, 1989. After his ordination, he served as Associate Pastor of the parishes of St. Alphonsus Liguori Church in Greenwell Springs, St. George Church in Baton Rouge, St. Isidore the Farmer Church in Baker, and St. Joseph Cathedral in Baton Rouge. He served as pastor at both St. Joseph Parish in Grosse Tete and Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish in Maringouin, as well as Pastor of Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish in Baton Rouge.

Fabre's diocesan positions during this period were as chaplain at Louisiana State Penitentiary at Angola, Defender of the Bond for the Marriage Tribunal, and Dean of the Northwest Deanery. He also served on the Diocese of Baton Rouge Priest Council, College of Consultors, School Board, Clergy Personnel Board, Chairman of Pastoral Planning, and Director of the Office of Black Catholics.

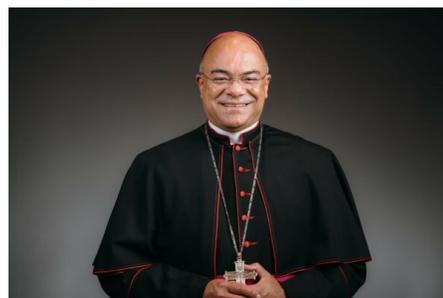


On December 13, 2006, Pope Benedict XVI appointed Fabre as Auxiliary Bishop of New Orleans. He was ordained by Archbishop Alfred Hughes on February 28, 2007, in New Orleans. As Auxiliary Bishop, he worked to help rebuild the Archdiocese of New Orleans after the devastation of Hurricane Katrina.

On September 23, 2013, Pope Francis appointed Bishop Fabre as the Bishop of the Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux. He was installed on October 30, 2013.

His leadership in Houma-Thibodaux leaves a legacy where he will be remembered for his listening and availability, pastoral planning and efforts for priestly renewal as well as his rebuilding and humanitarian efforts after Hurricane Ida.

He presently serves as the chair of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops' (USCCB) Ad Hoc Committee Against Racism, and led the writing of the U.S. Bishops' most recent pastoral letter on racism, *Open Wide Our Hearts - The Enduring Call to Love*, which was published in 2018. He also serves on the board of Catholic Relief Services (CRS).



in a word or two

The Reverend James E. Goode, OFM, Ph.D
November 18, 1940 - March 4, 2022

Father James E. Goode, OFM, Ph.D died in his sleep on Friday, March 4, 2022 at the age of 81 in Manhattan, New York. Fr. Goode was born in Roanoke, Virginia on November 18, 1940. He was the adopted son of Mr. Robert D. Young and Mrs. Lula B. Young. Fr. Goode, aka Fr. Jim, was an African-American member of the Franciscan Province of the Immaculate Conception.



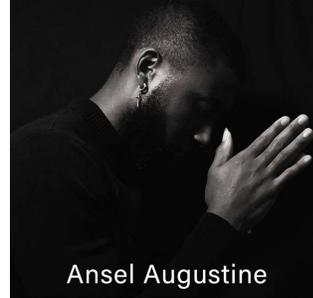
When ordained in May 1972 at the Shrine Church of St. Anthony in New York City, he became the first Black Catholic priest from the City of Roanoke. Over the years, God has used Franciscan Fr. Goode in numerous ways to inspire and improve the lives of thousands of individuals. One of the ways included acknowledging the importance of and strengthening the role of Black priests and black Catholics as President of the National Black Clergy Caucus. He later answered a call to spread God's word by becoming the leading Black Catholic Evangelizer in the United States. **He was referred to as the "Dean of Black Catholic Preachers" having preached the first Black Catholic Revival in the United States in 1974. He preached over 300 Black Catholic Revivals in the United States. Fr. Goode's evangelistic style became so regarded that he was featured in an episode of 60 Minutes.**

In 1989, he founded the National Day of Prayer for the African-American Family, which is celebrated on the first Sunday of Black History Month. He was also the Pastoral Leader of Solid Ground Ministry, a Franciscan Ministry among African-American families in New York City. In this role, he assisted homeless individuals and those in need in securing food, clothing and shelter; helped the sick and those living with HIV/AIDS get the care needed; and restored hope to victims of violence, neglect and abuse through counseling. Father Goode would have celebrated his 50-year anniversary as a black Catholic priest on May 13, 2022.

A Funeral Mass will take place at the Shrine Church of St. Anthony in New York at 11 a.m. on Saturday, March 12, 2022. A viewing will occur between 10 and 11 a.m. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that any contributions be made to Hearts of Gold. Hearts of Gold works in partnership with homeless mothers and their children to help them create positive, sustainable change in their lives. To find out more, please view the following website heartsofgold.org.
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LEVELING **THE PRAYING FIELD**

Can the Church We Love, Love Us Back?



Ansel Augustine

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AFTERWORD BY BISHOP FERNAND J. CHERI III, OFM

Dr. Ansel Augustine has published a new book titled ***Leveling the Praying Field: Can the Church We Love, Love Us Back?***

Dr. Augustine, a person with experience in various ministries for over 20 years, has created a resource for Catholic catechists, religion/theology teachers, youth, young adult, and campus ministers to discuss the issue of racism with their students.

Ansel offers a personal and historical perspective on issues of race and inequality in the church. In particular, he considers the challenges posed by the rise of Millennials and Gen Z, whose members increasingly consider racial equality to be one of the most important issues today. For the church, which has normally been slow to respond to racism, to be a prophetic voice among these and future generations, it must change from doing "ministry as usual" from a Euro-centric perspective. Augustine points toward a way forward, to "level the praying field so that all have an equal opportunity in society, and we can truly be 'one body of Christ.'"

The book came about as a result of the aftermath of the George Floyd murder when it was realized that there were not many Catholic resources to address this topic with youth and young adults. It features a forward by Fr. Bryan Massingale and an Afterward by Bishop Fernand Cheri III of New Orleans. The book is available now at Amazon.com. You can also call Orbis Books directly for bulk orders at 1-800-258-5838. Please take advantage of this much needed, and valuable, resource .

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