

Father Anthony Michael Barratt was born in West Wickham, Kent (England) on 28th July 1959. He attended Good Shepherd Primary (Elementary School) and Langley Park Grammar School before graduating from the University of Hull with a BA (Honours) in Geography in 1980. He studied for the priesthood at the Venerable English College in Rome, Italy. He was ordained as a priest of the Archdiocese of Southwark in England in 1985 and in May 2011 was incardinated into the Diocese of Albany, New York. He holds a License in Sacred Theology “summa cum laude” from the Gregorian University in Rome, Italy, a Ph.D. from King’s College, London and he is a Fellow of the Academy of Higher Education. He is a Knight Commander of the Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem and a Deputy Chaplain of the American Association of the Knights of Malta, as well as having been awarded the Cross of the Order of Merit of the Knights of Malta.

In England he held a number of posts including associate pastor in two parishes in his home Diocese, and interim administrator of the Cathedral of St. George in London, Director of Ongoing Formation of Permanent Deacons for the Southern Dioceses of England and Wales, the Catholic Bishops of England and Wales delegate for the General Synod of the Church of England. From 1995 to 2004 he was the Professor of Theology and Liturgy and the Vice-Rector of St. John’s Seminary, Womersley, England. He is also a judge for the Second Instance Court of the Inter-Diocesan Tribunal for Southwark Province in England.

He has been working in the Diocese of Albany, New York since 2004. In 2004 he was appointed pastor of Annunciation Church, Ilion (and from 2008 also pastor of Our Lady, Queen of Apostles church in Frankfort) and in 2006 he was appointed Dean (Vicar Forane) of Herkimer County. He has held these posts until November 2012 when he was appointed as pastor of St. Ambrose Parish and School in Latham. In March 2017, he was assigned to be pastor of Holy Trinity Parish in Hudson and Germantown. In July 2018 Bishop Scharfenberger appointed him as Episcopal Vicar for the Hudson Valley.

He is also an adjunct professor of theology at St. Bernard’s School of Theology in Rochester/Albany and adjunct professor at Siena College, N.Y. He also holds a number of Diocesan positions in Albany including: the Diaconate Formation Board, the Isaac Jogues House of Formation, Associate Judge for the Albany Diocesan Marriage Tribunal, the Diocesan Architecture and Buildings Commission, the Presbyteral Council of the Diocese and the Diocesan Pastoral Planning Group. In October 2016 he was appointed as the Director of Prayer and Worship for the Diocese of Albany. He has published a number of works on spirituality, sacramental theology, liturgy, Christian anthropology, mission and evangelization, and educational methods and techniques.

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