Rev. Dewayne Messenger Chaplain, Pastor, Priest, Bishop and Your Celebrant

Hello!

Let me introduce myself and let's see if I can assist you with your celebration. I am the Reverend Dewayne Messenger. I live in Tulsa, Oklahoma and have been married for over 30 years.

I am a trained hospital and hospice Chaplain, a Pastor/ Priestⁱ and Bishopⁱⁱ. I earned my Masters of Divinity (MDiv) degree from Virginia Theological Seminary in 2007. I served as a hospital chaplain in Reading, Pennsylvania and a hospice chaplain in Falls Church, Virginia. I was ordained in 2009 and was the founding pastor a new church in Reading, Pennsylvania. In 2014, my spouse and I relocated to Tulsa Oklahoma to serve an Anglo-Catholic parish. In 2020, I became the founding pastor of All Saints/Todos los Santos Catholic Church, a bilingual family of faith. In 2003, I earned a Certificate of Advanced Studies from Phillips Theological Seminary in Tulsa.

While I am a validly ordained Catholicⁱⁱⁱ priest and bishop I am comfortable serving people from other faith traditions – or no faith tradition at all. Whoever you are, wherever you come from, I am happy to help. Whether you're wanting a short, no-frills wedding officiant or a full Catholic Mass with me presiding as a Bishop, I've got you covered!

Trained as a Chaplain, I value the unique dignity of every human being. No matter who you are, you can be assured that I will respect your identity, ethnicity, culture or chosen way of life. Several times I have married couples who were turned away from other church or faith traditions because they did not meet some arbitrary standard. Lives can be complicated, and I believe God is compassionate and understanding.

I invite you to check out the options I offer (see the services page on my website) to see the types of services I normally provide. If you do not find exactly what you're looking for, let me know. Perhaps we can craft something wonderful together.

If I sound like the type of Celebrant you're looking for, I hope you will contact me. You can reach me by email: <u>revdewayne@outlook.com</u> or via phone (539) 777-0757.

Blessings!

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The Right Rev Dewayne Messenger

ⁱⁱⁱ The term "Old Catholic" might be better understood as meaning "ancient" catholic. We are recognized by the Roman Catholic Church as being valid even though we are not in communion with the Pope. Our church structure is based on the early church.

ⁱ Pastor: All Saints/Todos los Santos Catholic Church – a bilingual congregation in Tulsa, Oklahoma. We worship at 1244 S. Utica Ave. Find us at: <u>All Saints Catholic Church | Old Catholic | 1244 S. Utica Ave,</u> <u>Tulsa, OK 74104 (allsaintstulsa.org)</u>

ⁱⁱ Bishop: Catholic Diocese of Mid-America, A Progressive Catholic Diocese Following an Ancient Faith. Find us at: <u>Catholic Diocese of Mid-America | Catholic Diocese (catholicdiocesema.org)</u>