

Deacon Kasuma (Kas) Santos, Jr., O.P.



“As a married deacon, and the first Latino deacon in our diocese, I can be there for others in my service as a husband and as clergy whose ministry is to be the servant Christ to others by proclaiming the Word on the Altar. I can help bridge the Latino and Anglo communities and bring them closer to God.”

Deacon Kas Santos and his wife Josie are parishioners at St. James the Less in Columbus where he is serving as deacon. They have three grown children who are working and attending college: Desiree, Damian and Danielle. His internship parish was Christ the King in Columbus.

“I have found what the Holy Father John Paul II said is true that when one gives of himself, one truly finds himself,” said Deacon Santos.

Deacon Santos has an M.A. in Theology from Holy Apostles College & Seminary. He says that his marriage has been enriched through his formation and by working closely with his wife Josie to prepare Latino adults to receive the Sacraments and by teaching religious education to second graders.

“I hope to bridge and promote social justice between the English and Spanish speaking faithful,” said Deacon Santos. “I wish to be admitted to Holy Orders for the salvation of my soul, and for the salvation of the souls of others.”