

Rev. Mr. Bill Hampton, Catholic Relief Services Global Fellow

For the past 11 years Deacon Bill Hampton has worked with Catholic Relief Services (CRS) as a Global Fellow. In this capacity Deacon Bill travels around the United States speaking to congregations to raise awareness and educate parish families about the good works done on their behalf in 110 countries around the world. He also does retreats and reflections for Diaconate formation classes and ordained Deacons as well as Helping Hand events for schools and parishes.

In 2008 he visited Nicaragua to become familiar with water service projects, coffee growers and roasters, HIV Aids assistance and micro financing. After the 2010 earthquake he visited Port au Prince, Haiti to

view firsthand the emergency relief efforts of the CRS staff. He visited hospices, hospitals, parishes, housing projects and met with the staff participating in the tremendous relief efforts. In addition, he visited Southern Haiti and saw tree replenishment and water canal projects. In 2016 he traveled to Greece and Serbia to see firsthand what the refugees were experiencing and to assist them as they fled war torn countries to find a place to safely raise their families.

These travel experiences allow him to bring the stories of the poor to life during his retreats and homilies.

Deacon Bill was ordained in 2000 for the Archdiocese of Atlanta and assigned to St. Matthew in Tyrone, GA. He worked for 24 years for the Keebler Company in numerous positions including Eastern Area Sales Director and Southeastern Regional Sales Director. After leaving Keebler, Deacon Bill owned and operated several businesses. In 2001, he began to work at St. Matthew church where he retired from a position as Business Manager and Director of Stewardship. He has traveled extensively for business and pleasure. He has been married to the former Kathy Machan for 48 years and has 2 children. He also has 5 beautiful grandchildren which keep him delightfully busy. He and his family love to travel and enjoy sports, especially Georgia Bulldog Football.

Deacon Bill Hampton is available to preach at parishes in the Diocese of Palm Beach on the weekends of March 23rd-24th and April 6-7. He is also available to speak in the month of June.

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