

BIO: The Rev. John McDuffie, Rotating Supply Clergy

The Rev. John McDuffie came to the Diocese of Washington in 1989, when he became the rector of St. Dunstan's Church in Bethesda. In 1998 Fr. McDuffie was called to be the rector of Christ Church, Rockville, where he served until his retirement from full-time ministry in 2018. He was the president of the Washington Episcopal Clergy Association from 1996 to 2002, and served several terms on the Diocesan Standing Committee. Following retirement, Fr. McDuffie was a part-time assisting priest at St. Alban's Church In Washington in 2018, and then at Christ Church, Georgetown from 2019 to 2020.

Fr. McDuffie grew up in Hendersonville, North Carolina. He attended St. John's College in Annapolis for two years, and then graduated from Boston University in 1972 with a B.A. in philosophy and religion. He earned an MSW degree at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, in 1974, and was a clinical social worker in psychiatry for 10 years before entering Virginia Theological Seminary in 1984, graduating with an M.Div. In 1987. He was ordained a deacon in the Diocese of Southern Virginia in 1987, and a priest in the Diocese of Ohio in 1988, where he served as a curate at St. Paul's in Akron from 1987 to 1989.

Fr. McDuffie is married and has three children, two stepchildren, and nine grandchildren. He enjoys playing tenor saxophone at various jazz jam sessions in the city, and playing golf.