James G. Bach

Biographical Summary

James (Jim) Bach has been a member of St. Anthony's, Bergenfield, N.J., with his wife Nike, for 40 years where they raised their family. He currently serves as the Chairman of the Parish Council's House and Grounds Committee and is Co-chair of the Father Joseph Allen Memorial Fund which is working toward developing a learning and media center at St. Anthony's in Father Joe's Blessed Memory. James and Nike are Life members of the Order of St. Ignatius.

Jim was appointed to the Archdiocesan Board of Trustees by Metropolitan PHILIP of Thrice-Blessed Memory in 2013, serving until 2016 when he moved to London, England for business. He was reappointed to the Board in 2020 by Metropolitan JOSEPH when he returned to the United States. Jim serves on the Board's Real Estate Committee. In February 2023, Jim had the honor of accompanying a delegation of the Board led by Fawaz El Khoury and including Their Graces Bishops JOHN and NICHOLAS to the Balamand for meetings with His Beatitude JOHN X in advance of the selection of His Eminence Metropolitan SABA to serve in North America.

Jim retired after a 36-year career from Berger Group Holdings, a 6,000-person multi-disciplinary engineering and consulting firm, in 2019. He was the Chief Operating Officer and President of the International Division. He also served as a member of its Board of Directors. Among his many projects, Jim was the principal-in-charge for the program management oversight of the reconstruction of the World Trade Center site. Jim holds a Master of City and Regional Planning (MCRP) from Rutgers University and is a licensed Professional Planner in New Jersey.

Previous volunteer activities include serving on the Board of St. Vladimir's Orthodox Theological Seminary, and serving as Chairman of both the Leonia, N.J. Zoning Board and Economic Development Committee.