



FATHER J. ALLEN DELONG

Celebrating 70 years of Profession

A native of Northern California, I entered the Society of Mary in 1952. I achieved a Bachelor of Physics degree from St. Mary's College in Moraga, CA, and master's degrees from the University of San Francisco and the University of Toronto.

My first assignment was as a teacher at St. Anthony's School on Maui in 1956, then assigned to Archbishop Riordan High School in San Francisco, CA. In 1964, I became the founding Principal of Archbishop Mitty High School in San Jose, CA and continued in that position for ten years.

I then went to the seminary in Toronto, Canada, and was ordained to the priesthood in 1977. In 1978, I began working at Chaminade College Preparatory in Los Angeles, where I organized the school's Campus Ministry and Retreat Program and was named President of Chaminade in 1986. I continued teaching physics and working on retreats for the 11th and 12th grades, along with my new duties.

In 1999, I was honored to become President of Saint Louis School in Honolulu, a position I retained until 2006. Then, I moved to Kenya, Africa, for 4 ½ years serving as Assistant Novice Master. I trained young Africans in preparation for taking vows as religious in the Society of Mary. For one summer, I went to India and taught physics to

the young Indian brothers. I returned to the United States for a sabbatical attending a renewal program at the University of California in Berkeley.

My next assignment began on Maui in 2012, where I helped in St. Anthony's Parish and taught at St. Anthony School. In 2015, I accepted the position of Campus Minister at Saint Louis School back in Honolulu before retiring to Cupertino, CA, in 2021.