

**Time Line of Bishops over Memphis,  
Dates Memphis parishes were established, and  
Pastors serving Sacred Heart Parish**

**1837 — Pope Gregory XVI established the Diocese of Tennessee, with the See in Nashville**

- 1837-1860 — Rev. Richard Pius Miles, OP, the first Bishop of Nashville, TN.  
—1841: St. Peter (Church of Peter and Paul Parish)
- 1860-1864 — Rev. James Whelan, OP, second Bishop of Nashville, TN  
—1860: St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception
- 1865-1880 — Rev. Patrick Feehan, third Bishop of Nashville, TN  
—1866: St. Patrick  
—1870: St. Brigid  
—1878: St. Joseph
- 1883-1893 — Rev. Joseph Rademacher, fourth Bishop of Nashville, TN
- 1894-1923 — Rev. Thomas Sebastian Byrne, fifth Bishop of Nashville, TN  
—1899: Sacred Heart of Jesus  
—1899-1929 — Rev. Patrick L. Mahoney
- 1923-1935 — Rev. Alphonse John Smith, sixth Bishop of Nashville, TN  
— 1929-1963 — Rev. Louis J. Kempfues
- 1936-1969 — Rev. William Lawrence Adrian, seventh Bishop of Nashville, TN  
—1963-1967 — Rev. H. J. Shea  
—1967-1969 — Rev. Francis McRedmond
- 1969-1975 — Rev. Joseph Aloysius Durick, eighth Bishop of Nashville, TN  
—1969-71 —Rev. Paul Caldwell

**1970 — Pope Paul VI established the Diocese of Memphis, TN: the counties west of the TN River**

- 1971-1982 — Rev. Carroll T. Dozier, first Bishop of Memphis  
—1971-1975 — Rev. Patrick Lynch  
—1975-1979 — Rev. Patrick R. Heenan  
—1979-1983 — Rev. Peter Buchignani
- 1982-1986 — Rev. J. Francis Stafford, second Bishop of Memphis  
—1983-1988 — Rev. Thomas Kirk
- 1987-1992 — Rev. Daniel M. Buechlein, third Bishop of Memphis  
—1988-2002 — Rev. David Knight
- 1993-2016 — Rev. J. Terry Steib, SVD, fourth Bishop of Memphis  
—2002 — Rev. Charles Bauer  
—2002-2012 — Rev. Joseph Dao Vu, SVD  
—2012-2021 — Rev. Simon Hoang, SVD
- 2016-2018 — Rev. Martin Holley, fifth Bishop of Memphis
- 2018-2019 — under Bishop Joseph E. Kurtz, Bishop of Louisville, KY
- 2019-present — Rev. David Prescott Talley, sixth Bishop of Memphis  
—2021-present — Rev. Brandon Nguyen, SVD