

## **The Rev. Dr. Miguel A. Hernández**

The Rev. Dr. Miguel A. Hernández was born in El Salvador.

Rev. Hernández is the Priest-In-Charge of Holy Trinity Episcopal Church in West Orange, NJ, since 2014. He celebrates masses in English and Spanish every Sunday.

Rev. Hernández has a passion for education and for finding ways to contribute to the well-being of his community. At Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, he teaches ESL classes, and he introduces children and young adults to God, Science, and Art in the summer program.

Rev. Hernández contributed to the formation of the Seminary in the Anglican Episcopal Diocese of El Salvador in 2017. Since then he has been teaching at the Seminary. He also teaches at Caldwell University in New Jersey (2018 – present), and the New York Theological Seminary in the Doctor of Ministry Program (2020 - Present). Rev. Hernandez has taught at the General Theological Seminary and The Newark School of Theology.

Rev. Hernández was educated as an engineer at The City University of New York where he obtained an A.A.S. degree (1980) from the New York City College of Technology and a Bachelor of Technology degree (1982) from the City College of New York. Later on, he received a Master of Science in Electrical Engineering degree from NYU School of Engineering – previously Polytechnic University- (1992).

On August 27, 2022, he was installed as Canon for Education in the Anglican Episcopal Diocese of El Salvador.

In the Diocese of Newark, Rev. Hernández has been part of the discernment committee for postulants seeking Ordination to the Priesthood. Rev. Hernández has taught Theological classes to students who were preparing for Ordination to the Diaconate. For a number of years, Rev. Hernández has served in the Commission of Latino / Hispanic Ministry and the Liturgy and Music Commission. In addition, Rev. Hernández is an active member of the Gertrude Butts Scholarship Fund. Rev. Hernández has been supporting the Union of Black Episcopalians (UBE) for many years.

In the community, Rev. Hernández serves on the Board of the West Orange Hispanic Foundation, and he served in the Human Relations Commission in West Orange, NJ. He is invited to speak on various issues affecting the community and as a translator.

He graduated with a Doctor of Ministry (D. Min.) degree from New York Theological Seminary (May 2018). His project concentrated in the area of God and Science, and it involved creating an awareness campaign of the Water Quality in the West Orange community in NJ. In connection to this work, he has become a member of The Center for Environmental Exposures and Disease (CEED) Stakeholder Advisory Board at Rutgers University representing the community.

Rev. Hernández completed the Master of Sacred Theology (2014) and the Master of Divinity (2013) degrees at The General Theological Seminary.

In 2012, Rev. Hernández retired after 27 years of experience as a Telecommunications Engineer with the title Distinguished Member of the Technical Staff (DMTS) from AT&T Bell Labs / Lucent Technologies / Alcatel-Lucent (now Nokia) to complete his theological studies and to be formed as a priest.