WASHINGTON, D.C. — Leadership Roundtable continues to expand its team with the appointment of Fr. Kevin Carlin Kennedy as Senior Leadership Director. Fr. Kennedy joined the team officially in July.

A former Chief Financial Officer and Wall Street administrator, Fr. Kennedy dedicated his life to the Church when he became a Catholic priest in 1995. Since ordination, he has served as both a parish priest in the Archdiocese of Washington and an adjunct professor, most recently teaching organizational development and pastoral leadership at the Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C.

"Fr. Kevin is the ideal person to take on the role of Senior Leadership Director due to both his experience as an educator and his pastoral ministry," said Michael Brough, executive partner at Leadership Roundtable. "We are fortunate to have a priest with his background and skills joining our team to help expand our services to Catholic leaders and institutions across the United States."

Leadership Roundtable embarked on a new strategic direction in 2020 and has been growing its team in alignment with its strategic priorities to expand diocesan transformation, scale impact through partnerships, and collaborate for national solutions. As Senior Leadership Director, Fr. Kennedy will be an integral part of Leadership Roundtable’s growth and development, particularly by providing leadership formation services and working to develop national partnerships.

"I have observed Fr. Kevin in his leadership seminars for seminarians over many years and been impressed at how he applies strategic planning and adaptive leadership principles to pastoral ministry," said Lt. Gen. (Retired) Jim Dubik, a member of Leadership Roundtable's board of directors. "Each seminar participant who Fr. Kevin taught, learned how to more effectively use their skills to advance the mission of the Church. I am excited to know that Fr. Kevin is bringing that same experience to Leadership Roundtable."

In addition to his work with Leadership Roundtable, Fr. Kennedy will also help at parishes in the Archdiocese of Washington on weekends.

"As someone devoted to advancing the mission of the Catholic Church through the practice of effective leadership, I have been participating in Leadership Roundtable’s events since its early years," said Fr. Kennedy. "In joining the senior team of Leadership Roundtable, I see a continuation of my calling to use my leadership experience to promote the Kingdom of God. My personal mission and the mission of Leadership Roundtable are so consistent that I believe that my transition is a prompting of the Holy Spirit."

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