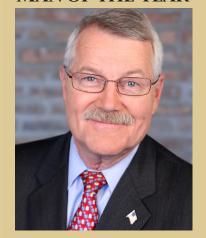
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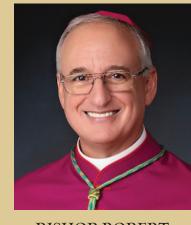
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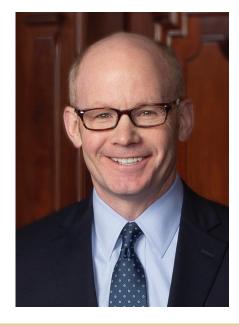
### STATE SEN. DON HARMON

Senate President Don Harmon was born and raised in Oak Park and has dedicated his Senate career to serving and improving not just his own community, but the entire State of Illinois. He was first elected to represent the 39th District in the Illinois Senate in 2002.

Sen. Harmon was appointed Assistant Majority Leader in 2009, and in 2011, was named Senate President Pro Tempore. In January of 2020, his colleagues recognized his efforts and elected him to be the 39th President of the Illinois Senate.

Senate President Harmon attended St. Giles School, and he remains a member of the parish to this day. He went on to earn his high school diploma at St. Ignatius College Prep and his bachelor's degree at Knox College. He holds both a law degree and an MBA from the University of Chicago.

In the same week he was elected to represent the 39th District in the Illinois Senate in 2002, he bought his childhood home from his mother in Oak Park, where he started his family with his wife, Teri, and later welcomed three children.



### BISHOP ROBERT LOMBARDO

Fr. Robert Lombardo is the first Italian American to be ordained a bishop in the Archdiocese of Chicago.

Born in Stamford, Connecticut, he earned a bachelor's degree in accounting at Notre Dame and worked in public accountancy at Price Waterhouse before entering the priesthood in 1980. He joined the Order of Friars Minor Capuchin, traveling to Bolivia and Honduras to work in parishes and with street kids for five years before returning to America to assist with youth programs at Our Lady of Sorrows Parish in Manhattan.

Before coming to Chicago, Fr. Bob held the following positions: Director of Saint Anthony Residence, Director of the Lay Associate Program of the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal, Local Servant (guardian) of Saint Crispin's Friary, Director of Saint Anthony's Free Medical/Dental Clinic and Vicar General of the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal.

In Chicago, Fr. Bob has functioned as Founder/Director of the Mission of Our Lady of the Angels and Founder/Superior of the Franciscans of the Eucharist of Chicago, and has played many important roles in the Archdiocese, including Dean of the parishes that surround the Mission and member of many advisory boards.

### STATE REP. KATHLEEN WILLIS

Kathleen Willis is in her fifth term as State Representative of the 77th District and currently serves as House Majority Conference Chair.

Prior to her election as State Representative, Kathleen worked as coordinator of access services at Elmhurst College Library and a part-time teacher of children's and adolescent literature. A mother of four, she served three terms as a member of the Addison Elementary District 4 school board.

As a member of the American Association of University Women, she helped to found and organize the "Dare to Dream" program, which promotes education and combats truancy by mentoring young Hispanic girls and their mothers to make good choices. She has also served as Vice President of the Kiwanis Club and chair of the Addison Special Events Commission.

Kathleen has a bachelor's degree in human services administration from Elmhurst College and a master's degree in library and information services from the University of Illinois. She and her husband, Tom, live in Addison.



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