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## Assent of the Holy Father to the appointment of Rev. Charles Georges Mrad as bishop of the Curia of the Patriarchal Church of Antioch of the Syrians

The Holy Father Francis has granted his assent to the canonical election by the Synod of Bishops of the Patriarchal Church of Antioch of the Syrians of the Rev. Charles Georges Mrad as bishop of the Curia, assigning him the titular seat of Zorava,

## Rev. Charles Georges Mrad

Rev. Charles Georges Mrad was born on 15 April 1969 in Beyrouth. Lebanon. After his institutional studies at the Charfet Seminary, he obtained a licentiate in theology from the Saint-Esprit University of Kalish and a licentiate in civil law from the "La Sagesse" University of Beirut. In 2003 he obtained a doctorate in canon law from the Pontifical Lateran University, Rome.

He was ordained on 18 July 1993 for the Patriarchal Eparchy where, until now he has served as parish priest, university professor and judge at the Patriarchal Court.

He speaks fluent Arabic, Syriac, French, English and Italian.