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Resignations and Appointments

Resignation and appointment of bishop of Subotica, Serbia

Appointment of bishop of the eparchy of Križevci for faithful of Byzantine Rite, Croatia

Resignation and appointment of bishop of Subotica, Serbia

The Holy Father has accepted the resignation from the pastoral care of the diocese of Subotica, Serbia, presented by Bishop János Pénzes.

The Pope has appointed as bishop of Subotica, Serbia, the Reverend Msgr. Slavko Večerin, until now vicar general of Subotica and parish priest of Sombor, Serbia.

Curriculum vitae

The Reverend Msgr. Slavko Večerin was born on 6 June 1957 in Subotica-Palić, in the diocese of Subotica. After his high school examinations he entered the major seminary of Zagabria, as a student for the diocese of Subotica.

He was ordained a priest on 14 August 1983, and incardinated in the diocese of Subotica. He carried out his priestly ministry as parish vicar in the parish of the Holy Trinity in Sombor (1983 to 1985), and as parish administrator of the parish of Saint Paul in Bač, also with responsibility for the pastoral care of the villages of Deronje and Tovariševo (1985-1991). He was subsequently appointed as spiritual father of the Paulinum minor seminary of the diocese of Subotica, and archivist of the diocesan Curia, also holding the office of administrator of the parish of Saint Roch in Subotica (1991-1994). From 1994 to 2005 he was secretary to the bishop of Subotica. He also served as parish priest of the parish of Saints Peter and Paul in Bajmok (1998-2008). On 28 November 2005 he was appointed as vicar general of the diocese of Subotica, an office he has held until the

present day. From 2011 to 2016 he was also parish priest of the parish of Mary Mother of the Church in Subotica. He has been a member of various diocesan councils and commissions.

Since 2016 he has served as parish priest of the parish of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross in Sombor.

Appointment of bishop of the eparchy of Križevci for faithful of Byzantine Rite, Croatia

The Holy Father has appointed as bishop of the eparchy of Križevci for faithful of Byzantine Rite, Croatia, Msgr. Milan Stipić, currently apostolic administrator sede vacante of the same circumscription.

Curriculum vitae

Msgr. Milan Stipić was born in Bosanski Novi, Bosnia and Herzegovina, on 28 December 1978. In 1997 he continued his formation in the Greek-Catholic major seminary of Zagabria and his studies in the local faculty of Catholic theology.

On 18 October 2003 he was ordained a priest for the eparchy of Križevci. He served as parish priest in Kašt and in Radatovići. In 2007 he became archpriest, and was responsible for the pastoral care of Greek-Catholic faithful in Dalmatia. From 2012 to 2019 he was parish priest in Jastrebarsko. On 18 March 2019 he was appointed as apostolic administrator sede vacante of the eparchy, after the acceptance of the resignation from the pastoral care of the eparchy presented by Bishop Nicola Kekić.

Besides Croatian, he speaks Russian and Ukrainian.
