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The Holy Father has appointed His Eminence Cardinal Secretary of State Pietro Parolin as papal legate to preside at the Eucharistic Celebration to take place on 25 June 2022 in the Cathedral of Cosenza, on the occasion of the 800th anniversary of the dedication of the temple.

Appointment of bishop of Krishnagar, India

The Holy Father has appointed the Reverend Fr. Nirmol Vincent Gomes, S.D.B., until now deputy director of the novitiate of the Salesian Society of Saint John Bosco in Darjeeling, as bishop of the diocese of Krishnagar, India.

Curriculum vitae

Fr. Nirmol Vincent Gomes, S.D.B., was born on 8 February 1959 in Ranaghat, diocese of Krishnagar. After entering the minor seminary of the Salesians of Don Bosco as an aspirant, he completed his novitiate at Sunnyside, Shillong. He carried out his studies in philosophy in Sonada, Darjeeling, and in theology at the Pontifical Salesian University in Rome, where he was awarded a doctorate in science of education. He gave his religious vows in the Salesian Society of Saint John Bosco on 24 May 1979. He was ordained a priest on 22 July 1989.

After ordination, he was awarded a licentiate in pedagogy (1988-1991) and a doctorate in pedagogical science (1997-2000) from the Pontifical Salesian University, UPS. He served as dean of studies (1991-1997) and rector (2000-2006) of the Salesian College in Sonada, confessor (2006-2007) and rector (2007-2009) of the Don Bosco School in Krishnagar, parish coadjutor in Bongaon (2009-2010), vice rector (2010-2013) and rector (2013-2014) of the Don Bosco School in Siliguri, provincial of the Salesians of Saint John Bosco in Calcutta (2014-2020) and, from 2020 to date, deputy director of the novitiate of the Salesian Society of Saint John Bosco in Darjeeling.

Appointment of members of the Congregation for the Causes of Saints

The Holy Father has appointed the following as members of the Congregation for the Causes of Saints: His Eminence Cardinal José Tolentino de Mendonça, archivist and librarian of the Holy Roman Church, and Archbishop Josep Ángel Saiz Meneses of Seville, Spain.

Appointment of office head in the Dicastery for the Laity, Family and Life

The Holy Father has appointed the Reverend João Wilkes Rebouças Chagas, currently official of the Dicastery for the Laity, Family and Life, as office head in the same Dicastery.

Resignation of apostolic nuncio in Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway and Sweden

The Holy Father has accepted the resignation from the office of apostolic nuncio in Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway and Sweden, presented by Archbishop James Patrick Green, titular of Altino.

Resignation of apostolic nuncio in Malta and Libya

The Holy Father has accepted the resignation from the office of apostolic nuncio in Malta and Libya, presented by Archbishop Alessandro D'Errico, titular of Carini.