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## **Resignations and Appointments**

**Resignation of president of the Pontifical Ecclesiastical Academy**

**Appointment of auxiliary bishop of the eparchy of Bratislava for Catholics of Byzantine Rite, Slovakia**

**Appointment of apostolic administrator of the Ruthenian eparchy of Parma, U.S.A.**

**Appointment of apostolic administrator of the Holy Protection of Mary Byzantine Catholic eparchy of Phoenix, U.S.A.**

**Appointment of prelate auditor of the Tribunal of the Roman Rota**

### **Resignation of president of the Pontifical Ecclesiastical Academy**

The Holy Father has accepted the resignation from the office of president of the Pontifical Ecclesiastical Academy presented by Archbishop Joseph Marino, titular of Natchitoches, apostolic nuncio,

### **Appointment of auxiliary bishop of the eparchy of Bratislava for Catholics of Byzantine Rite, Slovakia**

The Holy Father has appointed Bishop Milan Lach, S.J., as auxiliary bishop of the eparchy of Bratislava for Catholics of Byzantine Rite, transferring him from the office of bishop of the Ruthenian eparchy of Parma, United States of America, and assigning him the titular see of Ostracine.

*Curriculum vitae*

Bishop Milan Lach, S.J., was born on 18 November 1973 in Kežmarok, in the archeparchy of Prešov of the Byzantines, Slovakia. He attended the Greek-Catholic Theological Faculty of Prešov. In 1995 he entered the novitiate of the Jesuits in Trnava, and subsequently completed his theological studies in the Theological Faculty of the University of Trnava.

He was ordained a priest in 2001 in Košice.

From 2001 to 2003 he worked in the scientific area of the East-West Centre of Spirituality of Michal Lacko in Košice, and from 2009 to 2011 he served as superior of the same Centre. In 2009 he was awarded a doctorate in Eastern ecclesiastical sciences from the Pontifical Oriental Institute in Rome, at the same time serving as spiritual father of the Pontifical *Russicum* College and spiritual assistant of the Federation of Scouts of Europe in Rome.

Since 2010 he has been a member of the editorial team of the theological journal *Verba Theologica*.

Since 2011 he has been deputy dean of the Theological Faculty of the University of Trnava, for foreign relations and development.

He was appointed as auxiliary bishop of the archeparchy of Prešov of the Byzantines, Slovakia, on 19 April 2013, and assigned the titular see of Ostracine.

From 2016 to 2017 he was visitator of the Congregation for Eastern Churches of the Eastern seminaries and colleges in Rome.

He was appointed apostolic administrator *sede vacante* of the Ruthenian eparchy of Parma, United States of America, on 24 June, and bishop of the same circumscription on 1 June 2018.

#### **Appointment of apostolic administrator of the Ruthenian eparchy of Parma, U.S.A.**

The Holy Father has appointed Bishop Kurt Burnette of the Ruthenian eparchy of Passaic as apostolic administrator *sede vacante* of the Ruthenian eparchy of Parma, United States of America.

#### **Appointment of apostolic administrator of the Holy Protection of Mary Byzantine Catholic eparchy of Phoenix, U.S.A.**

The Holy Father has appointed Bishop Kurt Burnette of the Ruthenian eparchy of Passaic as apostolic administrator *sede vacante* of the Holy Protection of Mary Byzantine Catholic eparchy of Phoenix, United States of America.

#### **Appointment of prelate auditor of the Tribunal of the Roman Rota**

The Holy Father has appointed Msgr. Pierangelo Pietracatella, until now office head in the Tribunal of the Roman Rota, as prelate auditor of the same Tribunal.

