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Resignations and Appointments

Resignation of the Vicar general for the diocese of Rome and Archpriest of the Papal Basilica of St. John Lateran, and appointment of successor

The Holy Father Francis has accepted the resignation presented by His Eminence Cardinal Agostino Vallini as his Vicar General for the diocese of Rome and Archpriest of the Papal Basilica of St. John Lateran, and has appointed as his successor His Excellency Msgr. Angelo De Donatis, titular bishop of Mottola, currently auxiliary of Rome, at the same time raising him to the dignity of archbishop.

His Excellency Msgr. Angelo De Donatis

Msgr. Angelo De Donatis was born on 4 January in Casarano, province of Lecce and diocese of Nardò-Gallipoli.

He first attended the seminary of Taranto and then the Pontifical Roman Major Seminary, completing his studies in philosophy at the Pontifical Lateran University and in theology at the Pontifical Gregorian University, where he received a licentiate in moral theology.

He was ordained a priest on 12 April 1980 for the diocese of Nardò-Gallipoli, and since 28 November 1983 has been incardinated in the diocese of Rome.

During his ministry he has held the following offices: collaborator in the *San Saturnino* parish and teacher of religion (1980-1983); vicar in the same parish (1983-1988); official in the General Secretariat of the Vicariate and vicar in the parish of *Santissima Annunziata* in Grottaferretta (1988-1990); archivist for the Secretariat of the College of Cardinals (1989-1991); director of the clergy office of the Vicariate of Rome (1990-1996); and spiritual director of the Pontifical Roman Major Seminary (1990-2003). He is currently parish priest of *San Marco in Campidoglio* and assistant for the diocese of Rome of the National Association of Relatives of the Clergy.

He has been a member of the diocesan presbyteral council and the college of consultors. In 1989 he was admitted to the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem, with the rank of Knight.

During Lent 2014 he held the meditations for the Spiritual Exercises of the Roman Curia.

He was appointed auxiliary bishop of Rome, with the titular see of Mottola, on 14 September 2015.
