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Resignations and Appointments

Appointment of metropolitan archbishop of Dubuque, U.S.A.

The Holy Father has appointed Bishop Thomas Robert Zinkula, hitherto bishop of the diocese of Davenport, United States of America, as metropolitan archbishop of Dubuque.

Curriculum vitae

Archbishop-elect Thomas Robert Zinkula was born on 19 April 1957 in Mount Vernon, Iowa, in the archdiocese of Dubuque. He was awarded a bachelor's degree in mathematics, economics and business from Cornell College, Mount Vernon. After graduating in law from the University of Iowa and a professional experience, he entered the seminary where he attended the Theological College and the Catholic University of America in Washington.

He was ordained a priest on 26 May 1990 for the archdiocese of Dubuque.

After ordination, he first held the offices of parish vicar of *Saint Columbkille* (1990-1993) and *Saint Joseph the Worker* (1993-1996), Dubuque; and parish priest of the *Saint Joseph* parish, Rickardsville, and administrator of the parishes of *Saint Francis of Assisi*, Balltown, and *Saints Peter and Paul*, Sherrill (1998-2002). He was awarded a licentiate in canon law from Saint Paul University, Ottawa (1998) and went on to serve as judge at the archdiocesan tribunal (1998-2000); judicial vicar (2000-2010); parish priest of the *Holy Ghost* (2005-2011), *Sacred Heart* and *Holy Trinity* (2007-2011) parishes, Dubuque; episcopal vicar for the Cedar Rapids region (2012-2014); and rector of the Saint Pius X Seminary, Dubuque (2014-2017).

He was appointed bishop of Davenport on 19 April 2017, and received episcopal consecration the following 22 June.

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