

HOLY SEE PRESS OFFICE
OFICINA DE PRENSA DE LA SANTA SEDE



BUREAU DE PRESSE DU SAINT-SIEGE
PRESSEAMT DES HEILIGEN STUHLIS

BOLLETTINO

SALA STAMPA DELLA SANTA SEDE

N. 180212a

Monday 12.02.2018

Resignations and Appointments

Resignation of bishop of Lancaster and appointment of successor

The Holy Father has accepted the resignation from the pastoral care of the diocese of Lancaster, England, presented by H.E. Msgr. Michael Gregory Campbell, O.S.A.

The Holy Father has appointed as bishop of Lancaster, England, the Rev. Can. Paul Swarbrick, of the clergy of the diocese of Lancaster, currently parish priest of Christ the Good Shepherd and dean of West Cumbria.

H.E. Msgr. Paul Swarbrick

H.E. Msgr. Paul Swarbrick was born in Garstang, in the county of Lancashire, on 2 July 1958. He prepared for the priesthood in the seminary of Urshaw College, Durham.

He was ordained a priest for the diocese of Lancaster, on 10 July 1982.

After serving as vicar in the parishes of Saint Mary's, Kells (1982-1983), Saint Maria Goretti, Preston (1983-1984), Saint Cuthbert's, Blackpool (1984-1990), he was sent as *fidei donum* to the diocese of Monze, in Zambia (1990-2005). After returning to his country, from 1998 to 2001 he was first parish vicar in English Martyrs in Preston (2006-2007), then parish priest of Sacred Heart and Saint Walburge's in Preston (2007-2010) and finally, from 2010 parish priest of Christ the Good Shepherd, Workington, Cumbria, including Saint Mary, Harrington, Our Lady Star of the Sea and Saint Michael, Bankland, and Saint Gregory, Westfield.

Since 2010 he is also dean of Our Lady and Saint Benedict, West Cumbria.

In 2015 he became canon of the Cathedral of Lancaster.