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Resignation of archbishop of Tangier, Morocco

The Holy Father has accepted the resignation from the pastoral care of the archdiocese of Tangier, Morocco, presented by H.E. Msgr. Santiago Agrelo Martínez, O.F.M.

Appointment of bishop of Saginaw, U.S.A.

The Holy Father has appointed as bishop of Saginaw, United States of America, H.E. Msgr. **Robert D. Gruss**, currently bishop of Rapid City.

The bishop-elect was born in 1955 in Texarkana, in the diocese of Little Rock, Arkansas. He holds an Associates Degree in civil engineering from the Madison Area Technical College in Madison, Wisconsin, and a commercial pilot's license from the Spartan School of Aeronautics, Tulsa, Oklahoma, and worked as a pilot and teacher of aviation for several years. He carried out his ecclesiastical studies at Saint Ambrose University, Davenport, Iowa, and then at the Pontifical North American College and the Angelicum in Rome, where he obtained a Master of Arts in spiritual theology. He later obtained a diploma in spirituality from the Institute of Priestly Formation in Omaha, Nebraska.

He was ordained a priest for the diocese of Davenport, Iowa in 1994.

Since ordination he has served in a number of roles, including parish vicar, parish priest, director of priestly vocations, diocesan chancellor and director of "Propagation of the Faith" and the diocesan "Victim Assistance Program", and vice-rector and director of Human Formation at the North American College in Rome. Since 2010 he has served as rector and parish priest of the Sacred Heart Cathedral parish, Davenport. In 2017 he was named Chaplain of His Holiness.

He was appointed as bishop of Rapid City in 2011.

Appointment of auxiliary of Poznań, Poland

The Holy Father has appointed as auxiliary bishop of the archdiocese of Poznań, Poland, the Rev. **Szymon Stulkowski**, of the clergy of the same archdiocese, rector of the major seminary, assigning him the titular see of Tabalta.

The bishop-elect was born in 1961 in Rokietnica, archdiocese of Poznań, and was ordained a priest on 15 May 1986, for the same archdiocese. He holds a doctorate in pastoral theology.

Since ordination he has served in a number of pastoral and administrative roles, including vicar, member of the archdiocesan liturgical commission, chaplain of university students, member of the catechistic council of the archdiocese of Poznań, and secretary of the Pastoral Commission of the Polish Episcopal Conference. He is currently lecturer in the theological faculty of the "Adam Mickiewicz" University in Poznań, and rector of the major seminary.

Appointment of consultors of the General Secretariat of the Synod of Bishops

The Pope has appointed the following Consultors of the General Secretariat of the Synod of Bishops: Rev. Fr. **Giacomo COSTA**, S.J., editor of the journal *Aggiornamenti Sociali*, president of the *Fondazione Culturale San Fedele* (Italy); Rev. Don **Rossano SALA**, S.D.B., lecturer in youth pastoral care at the Pontifical Salesian University, editor of the journal *Note di Pastorale Giovanile* (Italy); the Rev. Sisters: **Nathalie BECQUART**, Xavière, former director of the National Service of the French Episcopal Council for the Evangelization of young people and vocations (France); **Alessandra SMERILLI**, F.M.A., lecturer in economics at the Pontifical Faculty of Educational Sciences *Auxilium*, member of the scientific and organizing committee of the Catholic social weeks the Italian Episcopal Conference, advisor to Vatican City State (Italy); **María Luisa BERZOSA GONZÁLEZ**, F.I., editor of *Fe y alegría* (Spain); the distinguished Professor **Cecilia COSTA**, lecturer in sociology at the University of Rome Tre (Italy).

Appointment of prelate secretary of the Vicariate of Rome

The Holy Father has appointed as prelate secretary of the Vicariate of Rome the Rev. **Pierangelo Pedretti**, currently deputy director of the administrative office of the Vicariate of Rome, collaborator at the parish of San Giovanni Battista de La Salle and rector of the Church of Sant'Urbano alla Caffarella.

Appointment of prelate canonist of the Tribunal of the Apostolic Penitentiary

The Pope has appointed as prelate canonist of the Tribunal of the Apostolic Penitentiary the Rev. Msgr. **Giacomo Incitti**, currently prelate counsellor.

Appointment of the adjunct promoter of justice at the Court of Appeal of Vatican City State

The Holy Father has appointed as adjunct promoter of justice at the Court of Appeal of Vatican City State the distinguished Mr. **Enrico Ferrannini**, currently substitute promoter of justice.
