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Resignations and Appointments

Appointment of metropolitan archbishop of Glasgow, Scotland

The Holy Father has appointed Bishop William Nolan of Galloway as metropolitan archbishop of Glasgow, Scotland.

Curriculum vitae

Bishop William Nolan was born on 26 January 1954 in Motherwell, in the diocese of the same name. After attending the minor seminaries of *Saint Vincent* in Langabank (1965-1967) and *Blairs* in Aberdeen (1967-1971), from 1971 to 1978 he studied philosophy and theology in Rome at the Pontifical Scottish Seminary, where he was awarded a degree in moral theology from the Pontifical Gregorian University.

He was ordained a priest for the diocese of Motherwell on 30 June 1977.

From 1978 to 1980 he served as parish vicar of *Our Lady of Lourdes* in East Kilbride, and from 1980 to 1983 at *Saint David* in Plains. After an experience as vice-rector of the Pontifical Scottish College in Rome (1988-1991), from 1991 to 1994 he served as parish vicar of Saint Bridget's in Bailleston.

From 1994 he was parish priest of *Our Lady of Lourdes* in East Kilbride, and at the same time judge of the National Ecclesiastical Tribunal in Scotland, dean of his zone, head of permanent formation of the clergy of the diocese of Motherwell, member and vice-president of the Presbyteral Council, and finally vicar general of Motherwell.

He was elected bishop of Galloway on 22 November 2014, receiving episcopal ordination on 14 February 2015.

Within the Scottish Episcopal Conference, he chairs the Justice and Peace Commission.

