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Resignations and Appointments

Resignation and appointment of metropolitan archbishop of Louisville, U.S.A.

The Holy Father has accepted the resignation from the pastoral care of the metropolitan archdiocese of Louisville, United States of America, presented by Archbishop Joseph Edward Kurtz.

The Holy Father has appointed Bishop Shelton Joseph Fabre of Houma-Thibodaux, United States of America, as metropolitan archbishop of Louisville.

Curriculum vitae

Archbishop-elect Shelton Joseph Fabre was born on 25 October 1963 in New Roads, Louisiana, in the diocese of Baton Rouge. He attended Saint Joseph Seminary College in Saint Benedict, Louisiana (1985), and obtained a bachelor's degree (1985) and master's degree in religious studies from the *Université Catholique de Louvain*, Belgium.

He was ordained a priest on 5 August 1989 for the diocese of Baton Rouge.

After ordination, he held the following offices: parish vicar of the *Saint Alphonsus Liguori* parish in Greenwell Springs (1989-1992), of the *Saint George* parish in Baton Rouge (1992-1994), of the *Saint Isidore the Farmer* parish in Baker (1994-1995), and of the Saint Joseph Cathedral (1995-1996); director of the *Black Catholics* pastoral office (1990-2005); defender of the bond at the Tribunal (1994-2006); parish priest of the Saint Joseph parish in Grosse Tête and the Immaculate Heart of Mary parish in Maringouin (1996-2004); parish priest of the Sacred Heart of Jesus parish in Baton Rouge (2004-2007).

He was appointed as titular bishop of Pudenziana and auxiliary of New Orleans on 13 December 2006, and received episcopal consecration on 28 February 2007.

On 23 September 2013 he was transferred to the see of Houma-Thibodaux, Louisiana.