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Resignations and Appointments

Resignation and appointment of bishop of the eparchy of Newton of the Greek-Melkites, U.S.A.

The Holy Father has accepted the resignation from the pastoral care of the eparchy of Newton of the Greek-Melkites, United States of America, presented by Bishop Nicholas James Samra.

The Holy Father has appointed the Reverend François Beyrouti, of the clergy of the same eparchy, until now parish priest of the Holy Cross Melkite Catholic Church in Placentia, California, as bishop of the eparchy of Newton of the Greek-Melkites.

Curriculum vitae

Msgr. François Beyrouti was born on 3 July 1971 in Hadath-Beirut, Lebanon. After emigrating with his family to Canada, in Vancouver, British Columbia, he attended the Saint Thomas Aquinas Catholic High School. From 1989 to 1993 he studied in the Christ the King seminary in Mission, B.C. He was awarded a degree and doctorate in biblical theology from Saint Paul University, Ottawa, Ontario.

He was ordained a priest on 4 October 1998 for the eparchy of *Saint-Sauveur de Montréal* of the Greek-Melkites. He subsequently served as deputy parish priest of the Saints Peter and Paul Catholic Church in Ottawa, member of the College of Consultors and head of youth pastoral care.

In December 2011 he was incardinated in the eparchy of Newton of the Greek-Melkites, where he was elected member of the Presbyteral Council and appointed as parish priest of the Holy Cross Melkite Catholic Church in Placentia, California.

Besides English, he knows French, German and Arabic.