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## **Resignations and Appointments**

**Appointment of apostolic visitor for Coptic Catholic faithful in the United States and Canada**

**Appointment of apostolic visitor for Coptic Catholic faithful in Oceania and in the Gulf States**

**Appointment of apostolic visitor for Coptic Catholic faithful in Europe**

**Appointment of auxiliary bishop of Getafe, Spain**

**Appointment of members of the Pontifical Commission for the Protection of Minors**

### **Appointment of apostolic visitor for Coptic Catholic faithful in the United States and Canada**

The Holy Father has appointed Bishop Kyrillos William, emeritus of the eparchy of Assiut of the Copts, Egypt, as apostolic visitor for Coptic Catholic faithful in the United States and Canada.

### **Appointment of apostolic visitor for Coptic Catholic faithful in Oceania and in the Gulf States**

The Holy Father has appointed Bishop Thomas Halim Habib of the eparchy of Sohag of the Copts, Egypt, as apostolic visitor for Coptic Catholic faithful in Oceania and in the Gulf States.

### **Appointment of apostolic visitor for Coptic Catholic faithful in Europe**

The Holy Father has appointed Bishop Emmanuel Ayad Bishay of the eparchy of Luqсор of the Copts, Egypt, as apostolic visitor for Coptic Catholic faithful in Europe.

#### **Appointment of auxiliary bishop of Getafe, Spain**

The Holy Father has appointed the Reverend José María Avendaño Perea, of the clergy of the diocese of Getafe, Spain, and vicar general, as auxiliary bishop of the same diocese, assigning him the titular see of Illiberi.

#### ***Curriculum vitae***

Msgr. José María Avendaño Perea was born on 25 April 1957 in Villanueva de Alcardete, Toledo. He carried out his studies in philosophy and theology in the major seminary of Madrid, where he was ordained a priest on 14 March 1987. He was subsequently incardinated in Getafe after its erection in 1991. He holds a primary school teaching diploma (1978) and a specialization in speech therapy from the *Universidad Complutense de Madrid* (1981). He was also awarded a bachelor's degree in theology from the *Universidad Pontificia Comillas* (1985) and a licentiate in pastoral theology from the Higher Pastoral Institute of the *Universidad Pontificia de Salamanca* (2004).

He has held the following offices: parish vicar of *El Salvador* (1987-1989) and *San Nicasio* (1989-1997); parish priest of the same parishes (1997-2005); and social pastoral delegate (2002-2018). Since 2004 he has served as vicar general, and since 2018, vicar for the clergy and member of the General Council of Spanish *Caritas*.

#### **Appointment of members of the Pontifical Commission for the Protection of Minors**

The Holy Father has appointed the following members of the Pontifical Commission for the Protection of Minors: Msgr. Peter Karam, Msgr. Thibault Verny; the Reverend Fr. Tim Brennan, M.S.C., the Reverend Sr. Mary Niluka Perera, R.G.S., and Sr. Annah Nyadombo, H.L.M.C.; the distinguished Professor Irma Patricia Espinosa Hernández; Dr. Maud de Boer-Buquicchio, Dr. Anne-Marie Emilie Rivet-Duval; Ms. Teresa Devlin, and Ms. Ewa Kusz.

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