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Appointment of bishop of Basse-Terre et Pointe-à-Pitre, Guadeloupe

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The Holy Father has appointed the Reverend Philippe Guiougou, of the clergy of the diocese of Saint-Denis-en-France, until now vicar general and moderator of the Pastoral Unit of Saint-Denis, France, as bishop of Basse-Terre et Point-à-Pitre, Guadeloupe.

Curriculum vitae

Msgr. Philippe Guiougou was born on 8 June 1973 in Baie Mahault aux Abymes, Guadeloupe, and moved to France in 1995. He received his formation at the *Séminaire Saint-Sulpice* in Issy-les-Moulineaux, where he was awarded a bachelor's degree in theology. On 27 June 2004 he was ordained a priest for the diocese of Saint-Denis-en-France.

He has held the following offices: vicar of the parishes of *Christ Resussité*, *Saint-Louis* and *Saint-Pierre* in Bondy (2004-2012); accompanier of youth pastoral care (2007-2010); episcopal vicar for youth pastoral care and member of the episcopal council (2010-2019); and parish priest of the parishes of *Notre-Dame de Bon Secours*, *Saint-André* and *Tous les Saints* in Bobigny (2012-2018). He spent a year of theological formation in "Believing and understanding", at the *Centre Sèvres* in Paris (2018-2019). From 2019 to date he has served as vicar general of the diocese of *Saint-Denis-en-France*, and from 2020, moderator of the *Saint Denis* Pastoral Unit.

Appointment of bishop of Le Mans, France

The Holy Father has appointed Bishop Jean-Pierre Vuillemin, hitherto auxiliary of Metz, as bishop of Le Mans, France.

Curriculum vitae

Bishop Jean-Pierre Vuillemin was born on 21 January 1967 in Rambervillers, in the diocese of Saint-Dié. He entered the interdiocesan seminary of Lorena. He was ordained a priest on 11 June 1994, and was incardinated in the diocese of Saint-Dié.

Following ordination, he served as parish vicar of Bruyères and Mirecourt (1994-2001), parish priest of *La Croix-de-Virine* in Dompierre (2004-2012); and official of the interdiocesan tribunal of Saint-Dié, Nancy, Verdun and Dijon (2004-2011). In 2006 he was awarded a doctorate in canon and civil law (*Utroque Iure*) from the *Institut Catholique de Paris*. He went on to serve as judicial vicar of the interdiocesan tribunal of Besançon (2011-2019), and parish priest-dean of the parish communities of Épinal (2012-2019).

On 8 January 2019 he was appointed titular bishop of Théroouanne and auxiliary of Metz, receiving episcopal ordination on 3 February 2019.

Furthermore, he was apostolic administrator of the diocese of Metz (2021-2022), and within the Bishops' Conference of France, he is a member of the Family and Society Council and the Council for Canonical Matters.
