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The Holy Father has appointed His Eminence Cardinal Angelo De Donatis, until now vicar general of His Holiness for the diocese of Rome and archpriest of the Papal Basilica of Saint John Lateran, as major penitentiary.

Appointment of supervisor of the Holy Father for Consecrated Life

The Roman Pontiff has appointed Bishop Daniele Libanori, S.J., until now auxiliary of the diocese of Rome, as the Holy Father's supervisor for Consecrated Life.

Appointment of auxiliary bishop of the archdiocese of Goa and Damão, India

The Holy Father has appointed the Reverend Simiao Purificação Fernandes of the clergy of Goa and Damão, India, until now director of the *Saint Pius X Pastoral Institute*, as auxiliary bishop of the same archdiocese, assigning him the titular see of Salde.

Curriculum vitae

Msgr. Simiao Purificação Fernandes was born on 21 December 1967 in Chandor, in the archdiocese of Goa and Damão. He studied philosophy and theology at the Patriarchal Seminary in Rachol, and was ordained a priest on 10 May 1993 for the archdiocese of Goa and Damão.

After ordination, he first held the role of deputy parish priest of *Saint Thomas* in Aldona (1993-1996) and *Saint Michael* in Taleigao (1996-1998). After obtaining a licentiate in sacred Scripture from the Pontifical Biblical Institute in Rome and a doctorate in biblical theology from the *Jnana Deepa Vidyapeeth* in Pune, he went on to serve as visiting professor in sacred Scripture at the Patriarchal Seminary in Rachol (2005-2018), administrator of the *Holy Family* parish in Marcela (2006-2013), director of the *Saint Pius X Pastoral Institute* of the archdiocese of Goa and Damão and head of the Apostolate for Ecumenism (since 2018), and coordinator of the ongoing formation of the clergy and coordinator of the diocesan phase of the Synod (since 2023).

Appointment of special envoy to the Fifth National Eucharistic Congress in Portugal (Braga, Portugal)

The Holy Father has appointed His Eminence Cardinal José Tolentino de Mendonça, prefect of the Dicastery for Culture and Education, as his special envoy at the fifth National Eucharistic Congress in Portugal, to be held in Braga from 31 May to 2 June 2024.
