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Resignations and Appointments

Resignation and appointment of bishop of Segovia, Spain

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Resignation and appointment of bishop of Segovia, Spain

The Holy Father has accepted the resignation from the pastoral care of the diocese of Segovia, Spain, presented by Bishop César Augusto Franco Martínez.

The Holy Father has appointed Bishop Jesús Vidal Chamorro as bishop of the same diocese, transferring him from the titular see of Elepla and the office of auxiliary bishop of the metropolitan archdiocese of Madrid.

Curriculum vitae

Bishop Chamorro was born in Madrid on 6 May 1974. He was awarded a licentiate in economics from the *Universidad Complutense* of Madrid and in theology from the *Universidad Eclesiástica San Dámaso*. He was ordained a priest on 8 May 2004, and incardinated in the metropolitan archdiocese of Madrid.

He has held the following offices: deputy parish priest of *Nuestra Señora del Rosario de Fátima* (2004), vice chaplain and chaplain of General Catholic Action of Madrid, and vice rector and rector of *Santo Niño del Remedio* (2004-2008 and 2008-2015), diocesan chaplain (2008-2013) and national vice chaplain (2010-2013) of *Manos Unidas*, member of the Presbyteral Council (2012-2015), episcopal delegate for pastoral care of childhood and youth (2013-2015), rector of the major seminary (2015-2018), parish priest of *Santa Maria de la Cabeza* (2016-2018) and member of the College of Consultors (2017-2018).

He was appointed titular bishop of Elepla and auxiliary of the metropolitan archdiocese of Madrid, receiving episcopal consecration on 17 February 2018. He has served as apostolic administrator of Alcalá de Henares (2022-2023). Within the Spanish Episcopal Conference, he is chair of the Under Commission for Seminaries (since 2020), as well as pontifical delegate for the major seminaries of Spain (since 2023).

Resignation and appointment of bishop of Pyay, Myanmar

The Holy Father has accepted the resignation from the pastoral care of the diocese of Pyay, Myanmar, presented by Bishop Alexander Pyone Cho.

The Holy Father has appointed the Reverend Peter Tin Wai, of the clergy of the diocese of Pyay, until now parish priest of *Saint John the Baptist Catholic Church*, Kyaukpyu, as bishop of the diocese of Pyay.

Curriculum vitae

Bishop Peter Tin Wai was born on 2 July 1965 in Natshinchaung. He studied philosophy at the major seminary of Pyin Oo Lwin and theology at the major seminary of Yangon.

He was ordained a priest on 21 March 1999 for the clergy of Pyay.

After ordination, he first served as parish vicar of *Sacred Heart*, Rakhine (1999-2005). He was awarded a licentiate in moral theology from the Pontifical Alphonsian Academy in Rome (2005-2007), parish priest of *Saint Mary's*, Natshinchaung, Minbya Township (2008-2009), professor of moral theology at the Institute of Theology of *Saint Joseph*, Yangon (2009-2012), rector of the *Saint Paul* Minor Seminary, Pyay (2012-2015), diocesan chancellor of Pyay (2015-2017), and since 2017, parish priest of *Saint John the Baptist Catholic Church*, Kyaupyu.

Appointment of bishop of Balanga, Philippines

The Holy Father has appointed the Reverend Rufino C. Sescon, Jr., of the clergy of the metropolitan archdiocese of Manila, rector and parish priest of the *Minor Basilica and National Shrine of Jesus Nazareno* of Quiapo and episcopal vicar of Manila, as bishop of the diocese of Balanga, Philippines.

Curriculum vitae

Bishop Rufino C. Sescon, Jr., was born on 20 April 1972 in Manila. He studied philosophy and theology at the *San Carlos Seminary* of Manila and the Graduate School of Theology of San Carlos Seminary, obtaining a master's degree in both disciplines.

He was ordained a priest on 19 September 1998 for the metropolitan archdiocese of Manila.

He has held the following offices: deacon of *Sacred Heart of Jesus*, *Sta. Mesa* and finance officer of the *Sta. Mesa Parochial School*, Manila (1998), assistant (1998-2001) and subsequently secretary (2001-2005) to the metropolitan archbishop of Manila, member of the youth pastoral office (2002-2008), member of the College of Consultors and member of the Presbyteral Council (2003-2005), director of *Permanent Formation of Junior and Young Clergy* and director of the Internship Program of Newly-Ordained Priests (2004-2008), member of the College of Consultors, member of the Presbyteral Council and chancellor of the archdiocese of Manila (2008-2015), priest chargé of the *Mary Mother of Hope* Chapel, Makati City (2014-2022), commissioner of the

Commission for the Formation of Laypeople and Christian Communities (2015-2021), chaplain of the *Santo Niño de Paz Chapel*, Makati City (2015-2022), spiritual director of the *San Lorenzo Ruiz Lay Formation Center* (since 2015), member of the Presbyteral Council (since 2018), vice chairman of the *Manila Archdiocesan Seminary System Foundation, Inc.*, member of the Council on Formation, Priestly and Lay Formation, and commissioner of the Commission for the Formation of Laypeople and Christian Communities (since 2021), chairman of the Fundraising Committee (since 2022), and to date, rector and parish priest of the Minor Basilica and National Shrine of Jesus Nazareno in Quiapo and episcopal vicar for Manila.