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Resignations and Appointments

Resignation of bishop of Meath, Ireland, and appointment of successor

The Holy Father has accepted the resignation from the pastoral care of the diocese of Meath, Ireland, presented by H.E. Msgr. Michael Smith.

The Pope has appointed as bishop of Meath, Ireland, the Rev. Thomas Deeniham, of the clergy of the diocese of Cork and Ross, currently diocesan secretary.

Rev. Thomas Deeniham

The Rev. Thomas Deeniham was born in Blackpool, Cork, on 20 June 1967. He carried out his theological studies at the *Saint Patrich College* of Maynooth. He subsequently obtained a doctorate in education from the University of Hull, England, in 2003.

He was ordained a priest for the diocese of Meath on 1 June 1991.

After ordination he served as deputy priest in Glanmire (1991-1994), Schull (1994-1995), Kealkill (1995-1999) and Bantry (2003-2006).

From 2003 to 2006 he was diocesan counsellor for religious education in middle schools.

From 2006 until the present he has served as diocesan secretary and secretary for diocesan education, member of the diocesan presbyteral council, the diocesan committee for finance, and member of various committees of the Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference.