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Other Pontifical Acts

Vatican City, 13 May 2016 – The Holy Father has appointed:

- Fr. David Austin Konderla as bishop of Tulsa (area 68,394, population 1,790,000, Catholics 65,658, priests 107, permanent deacons 76, religious 126), U.S.A. The bishop-elect was born in Bryan, Texas, U.S.A. in 1960 and was ordained a priest in 1995. He studied at the University of Dallas and the "St. Mary" seminary in Houston, and has served in a number of pastoral roles in the diocese of Austin, including parish vicar, director of priestly vocations, member of the personnel board, and member of the presbyteral council. He is currently parish priest at the St. Mary Catholic Centre at the University of Texas A&M at College Station, and diocesan consultor. He succeeds Bishop Edward J. Slattery, whose resignation from the pastoral care of the same diocese upon reaching the age limit was accepted by the Holy Father.
- Bishop Carlos Manuel Escribano Subías of Teruel y Albarracín, Spain, as bishop of Calahorra y La Calzada-Logroño (area 5,033, population 319,002, Catholics 305,906, priests 284, religious 774), Spain.
- Msgr. Gábor Pintér, as apostolic nuncio in Belarus, elevating him at the same time to the dignity of archbishop. Msgr. Pintér was born in Kunszentmarton, Hungary in 1964 and was ordained a priest in 1988. He holds a degree in theology and entered the diplomatic service of the Holy See in 1996, serving in the papal representations in Haiti, Bolivia, Sweden, France, the Philippines and Austria.
- Msgr. Robert Gołębiowski as defender of the bond at the Tribunal of the Roman Rota. Msgr. Gołębiowski was formerly substitute defender of the bond at the same tribunal.