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Resignations and Appointments

Appointment of Apostolic Administrator *sede vacante* of the eparchy of Parma of the Ruthenians, United States of America

The Holy Father has appointed as Apostolic Administrator *sede vacante* of the eparchy of Parma of the Ruthenians, United States of America, H.E. Msgr. Milan Lach, S.J., currently auxiliary bishop of Prešov of the Byzantines, Slovakia.

Msgr. Milan Lach, S.J.

Msgr. Milan Lach, S.J. was born on 18 November 1973 in Kežmarok, in the archieparchy of Prešov of the Byzantines, Slovakia.

From 1992 to 1995 he attended the Greek Catholic Theological Faculty of Prešov and in 1995 he entered the Jesuit novitiate in Trnava.

After his theological studies in the theological faculty of the University of Trnava (1997-2001) he was ordained a priest in 2001 in Košice.

From 2001 to 2003 he worked in the scientific area of the Centre of Spirituality East-West of Michal Lacko in Košice and later (2009-2011) he was Superior of the same centre.

In 2009 he graduated in Oriental Ecclesiastical Sciences from the Pontifical Oriental Institute in Rome. At the same time he served as spiritual father at the Pontifical Collegium Russicum and also as spiritual assistant of the Federation of Scouts of Europe in Rome.

Since 2010 he has been a member of the Council of Rectors for the theological magazine *Verba Theologica*.

Since 2011 he has served as vice-dean for foreign relations and for development at the Theological Faculty of

the University of Trnava.

On 19 April 2013 the Holy Father Francis appointed him as auxiliary bishop of the archieparchy of Prešov of the Byzantines, Slovakia.

Since 2016 he has been visitor of the Congregation for the Oriental Churches of the Seminaries and Oriental Colleges in Rome.
