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Resignations and Appointments

Appointment of bishop of Nantes, France

The Holy Father has appointed Bishop Laurent Percerou of Moulins as bishop of Nantes, France.

Curriculum vitae

Bishop Laurent Percerou was born on 11 September 1961 in Dreux, in the diocese of Chartres. After his higher studies at the Faculty of History of the University of Tours, he entered the seminary *des Carmes* of Paris. He carried out his studies in philosophy and theology at the *Institut Catholique* in Paris, where he was awarded a licentiate in biblical and systematic theology. He also studied canon law at the University of Salamanca, in Spain.

He was ordained a priest on 14 June 1992, for the diocese of Chartres.

Since ordination he has held the following offices: parish priest of Maintenon, Gallardon, and the parish grouping of Challet, Gallardon, Maintenon and Villiers-le-Mohier (1993-2003); head of the diocesan service for vocations (1995-2007); vicar general and moderator of the Curia (2003-2005); diocesan administrator (2005-2006) and vicar general (2006-20013). Furthermore, from 2005 to 2013 he was assistant to the *Scouts et Guides de France* in Chartres, and from 2009 to 2013, head of the diocesan service for catechesis.

On 14 February 2013 he was appointed as bishop of Moulins and received episcopal ordination on 14 April 2013. Within the French episcopal conference he is president of the Pastoral Council for children and young people.