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Resignations and Appointments

Resignation and appointment of bishop of Daru-Kiunga, Papua New Guinea

The Holy Father has accepted the resignation from the pastoral care of the diocese of Daru-Kiunga, Papua New Guinea, presented by Bishop Gilles Côté, S.M.M.

The Holy Father has appointed as bishop of the same diocese the Reverend Fr. Joseph Tarife Durero, S.V.D., until now vicar general of the archdiocese of Madang.

Curriculum vitae

Msgr. Joseph Tarife Durero, S.V.D., was born on 13 April 1969 in Dapa, Surigao, in the Philippines. He was ordained a priest on 12 December 1995. He belongs to the Society of the Divine Word (Verbites), for which he gave his definitive religious vows on 25 May 1995. He carried out his studies in philosophy and theology in the Philippines.

Since ordination, he has held the following offices: assistant parish priest of the *Holy Trinity* parish, Bogia (1996 - 1997) and the *Saint Francis Xavier* parish, Megiar (1997 - 1998); parish priest of the *Saint Theresa of the Child Jesus* parish, Ulingan (1999 - 2000); parish priest of the *Saint Paul* parish, Mirap (2002 - 2009); S.V.D. district superior, Madang (2008 - 2013) (2017 - 2019); promoter of vocations for the S.V.D. in Papua New Guinea (2009 - 2010); and parish priest of the *Our Lady of Perpetual Help* parish, Yomba (2010 - 2017). Since 2017 he has been a member of the S.V.D. council for Papua New Guinea; since 2013 vicar general of the archdiocese, and from 2018 to date, administrator of Madang Cathedral.