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Resignations and Appointments

Resignation and Appointment of bishop of Nîmes, France

Appointment of ordinary member of the Pontifical Academy of Sciences

Resignation and Appointment of bishop of Nîmes, France

The Holy Father has accepted the resignation from the pastoral care of the diocese of Nîmes, France, presented by Bishop Robert Wattebled.

The Holy Father has appointed Bishop Nicolas Brouwet of Tarbes et Lourdes as bishop of Nîmes, France.

Curriculum vitae

Bishop Nicolas Brouwet was born on 31 August 1962 in Suresnes, in the diocese of Nanterre. After his studies at the State University, where he obtained a diploma in history (1984), he entered the Pontifical French Seminary in Rome. He attended courses in philosophy and theology at the Pontifical Gregorian University, concluding with a bachelor's degree in theology. He then enrolled at the John Paul II Institute, where he obtained his licentiate. In 1986-88, he carried out his civil service in Jerusalem, teaching French.

He was ordained a priest on 27 June 1992 for the diocese of Nanterre, where he held the following offices: deputy parish priest of *Bourg-la-Reine* and *Sceaux*, and Chaplain of the State High School in Saint-Gilles in Bourg-la-Reine, as well as the University Centre in Sceaux (1993-1999); parish priest of *Saint-Romain* and *Notre-Dame-des-Bruyères* and dean of *Sèvres* (1999-2006); dean of *Chaville-Sèvres-Ville-d'Avray* (2001-2006); diocesan delegate for the formation of seminarians in Nanterre (2003-2008); parish priest of *Saint-Pierre* and *Saint Jacques* in Neuilly-sur-Seine and teacher of morality and spiritual director at the *Maison Madeleine Delbrel* pre-seminary (2006-2008).

He is a member of the *Institut Saint-Jean (Johannesgemeinschaft)* founded by Cardinal Hans Urs von Balthasar.

He was elected titular bishop of Simiddica and appointed as auxiliary bishop of Nanterre on 11 April 2008, and received episcopal consecration on 29 June 2008. He was transferred to the see of *Tarbes et Lourdes* on 11 February 2012.

Within the Conference of Bishops of France, he is a member of the Council for Movements and Associations of the Faithful.

Appointment of ordinary member of the Pontifical Academy of Sciences

The Holy Father has appointed the distinguished Professor Emmanuelle Marie Charpentier, founder and director of the Max Planck Unit for the Science of Pathogens in Berlin, Germany, as ordinary member of the Pontifical Academy of Sciences.

Curriculum vitae

Professor Emmanuelle Marie Charpentier, born on 11 December 1968 in Juvisy-sur-Orge, France, specialised in biology, microbiology, biochemistry and genetics at the *Université Pierre e Marie Curie* in Paris, France. She is the founder and scientific and administrative director of the Max Planck Unit for the Science of Pathogens in Berlin, Germany, and honorary professor in microbiology in the *Institut für Biologie della Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin*. She has also taught at Umeå University, Sweden. In 2020, along with Professor Jennifer Anne Doudna, she was awarded the Nobel Prize for Chemistry for the development of the CRISPR-Cas9 method of genome editing.
