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**The Reverend Robert W. Marshall, Jr.
Bishop-elect, Catholic Diocese of Alexandria in Louisiana**

The Reverend Robert W. Marshall, Jr. (60) has been appointed by His Holiness Pope Francis as the 13th Bishop of the Catholic Diocese of Alexandria in Louisiana on April 21, 2020, with installation at a later date to be announced.

Bishop-elect Robert W. Marshall, Jr. is from Memphis, Tenn. He is the son of the late Robert W. and Margaret Anne Martin Marshall. He has one brother.

A graduate of Catholic schools, Bishop-elect Marshall attended St. Michael School, Christian Brothers High School and Christian Brothers University, all in Memphis. He obtained his law degree from Memphis State University (now the University of Memphis) and practiced law for 12 years in St. Louis, Mo., and Memphis.

Discerning a call to priesthood, Bishop-elect Marshall studied at Notre Dame Seminary, New Orleans, La., and received a Master of Divinity degree in 2000. He was ordained to the priesthood on June 10, 2000, at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Memphis by the Most Reverend J. Terry Steib, S.V.D.

As a clergy in the Catholic Diocese of Memphis, Bishop-elect Marshall has served as the Associate Pastor of the Church of the Incarnation, Collierville, Tenn. (2000-2002), and as the Pastor of Sacred Heart Church, Humboldt, Tenn., and St. Matthew Church, Milan, Tenn. (2002-2004); the Church of the Ascension, Memphis (2004-2012); St. Francis of Assisi Church, Cordova, Tenn. (2012-2017) and the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Memphis (2017-Present).

In addition to his work in parishes, Bishop-elect Marshall has also served as a Master of Ceremonies for Bishop Steib, a member of the Presbyteral Council, the College of Consultors, the Priest Personnel Committee, the Diocesan Pastoral Planning Committee and the Catholic Annual Appeal Steering Committee.

Bishop-elect Marshall was the delegate of Archbishop Joseph Kurtz, who served as the Apostolic Administrator of the Catholic Diocese of Memphis for five months. He currently serves Bishop David P. Talley and the Diocese of Memphis as Vicar General.

Note: *Due to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic and in light of the current suspension of public Masses in the Diocese of Alexandria and the State of Louisiana, no date has been set for Bishop-elect Marshall's Ordination and Installation Mass. As those plans are finalized, they will be announced.*