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DECREE

Dear Father Jacek,


With the resignation of the Director of the Office of Vocations, the position is now vacant. The formation of our seminarians and the direction of the permanent diaconate is so important and needs leadership to guide them on their spiritual journey. After due consultation and prayerful reflection and without prejudice to your other appointments, I hereby appoint you Director of the Office of Vocations. Thank you for agreeing to this.


It will be your responsibility to encourage vocations to the priesthood and religious life, and to facilitate communication with and provide guidance to those whose formation has been entrusted to you. I urge you to be ever solicitous for their welfare, to be supportive of them during difficult moments of formation, and to meet with me regularly to discuss their progress.

This appointment is *ad nutum Episcopi* and effective on the 16th day of December, 2024.

I am fraternally yours in the light and love of the Lord.

Given at the Chancery in Memphis on the 16th day of December, 2024

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Most Reverend David P. Talley
Bishop of the Diocese of Memphis


Very Reverend James M. Clark, JCL
Chancellor

