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Pope Leo XIV appoints Bishop Daniel Miehm as the new Bishop of London.

Remarks from both Bishop Fabbro and Bishop Miehm followed by media availability will take place at the Diocesan Centre at 2:00 p.m. (details below).

His Holiness, Pope Leo XIV, announced today that he has accepted the resignation of Bishop Ronald Fabbro and appointed Most Rev. Daniel Miehm to be next Bishop of the Diocese of London. He will serve as the 11th bishop of the Diocese. Bishop-designate Miehm is currently serving as the Bishop of the Diocese of Peterborough, an appointment he has held since 2017. Bishop Fabbro has served as the Bishop of London since 2002 and offered his resignation prior to his 75th birthday in 2025 in accordance with the requirements of canon law.

Bishop Miehm will be installed on Monday, June 29, 2026, the Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul, at St. Peter's Cathedral Basilica in London.

Bishop Miehm commented on the announcement, "With gratitude to God for many blessings over these past nine years as the Bishop of Peterborough, I now prepare to embrace a new responsibility in my ministry. I feel humbled to be called by the Holy Father to serve the Church as the Bishop of London. I am grateful to the Holy Father for his confidence in me, especially as I follow in the footsteps of Bishop Ronald Fabbro, who has given such stellar leadership in the Diocese of London, and to the Church in Canada. It gives me both encouragement and consolation to know that he will continue to reside in the diocese, and I pray that he may continue to enjoy good health as he enters retirement.

"I look forward to serving the people of the Diocese of London, and to working collaboratively with the clergy, consecrated men and women and lay members of the faithful. I know that I will be assisted in this important work by a very dedicated and able Diocesan pastoral and administrative staff as we move forward together.

"In this Easter season, as the Church celebrates the resurrection of Christ, we are invited to deep faith, trust in God, and hope in the promise of new life. It is in such a spirit that I embrace this new chapter in my continued service to the Church. I ask your prayers for me, for all those I have served in Peterborough and for those whom I will meet and serve in my Episcopal ministry in the Diocese of London."

Bishop Fabbro offered the following words of welcome to Bishop Miehm, "The people of the Diocese of London join in thanking God for this appointment and will welcome Bishop Miehm warmly. I've known Bishop Miehm for many years and am confident that he will be a good shepherd to the faithful of the Diocese. He comes to us with a wealth of experience as Bishop of Peterborough. He is a strong, compassionate leader with outstanding pastoral instincts and

the wisdom to guide our Diocese into the future. Under his episcopal leadership, the Diocese of London will be in very capable hands.

"I am profoundly grateful for the countless blessings I have received during the 24 years I have served as Bishop of this Diocese and will continue to pray for the faithful of the Diocese in my retirement. I join with all of you in our prayers for Bishop Miehm. May God grant him good health and many years of fruitful ministry, and may he be a good and faithful shepherd to the people of this Diocese."

Biography of Bishop Daniel Miehm:

Bishop Daniel Miehm was born in 1960 in Kitchener, Ontario. After studies at St. Jerome's College, University of Waterloo and St. Augustine's Seminary in Toronto, he was ordained to the Priesthood on May 6, 1989, at the Cathedral of Christ the King in Hamilton.

Bishop Miehm served as a Priest in the Diocese of Hamilton from 1989 to 2013. During his ministry, he served as Associate Pastor at St. Francis Xavier Parish in Stoney Creek and the Cathedral of Christ the King in Hamilton, as Pastor at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish in Hamilton and St. Ann Parish in Ancaster. During this time, Bishop Miehm also served as a member and representative on various Councils in the Hamilton Diocese. From 1996 to 2012, he served as Judge and Defender of the Bond on the Toronto Regional Marriage Tribunal. In June of 2012, he was appointed Founding Pastor of St. Benedict Parish in Milton where he was ministering at the time of his episcopal ordination.

After exemplary service as a priest he was ordained a bishop on May 7, 2013 and served as an Auxiliary Bishop in the Diocese of Hamilton. Following his appointment by Pope Francis, Bishop Miehm was installed as the 13th Bishop of the Diocese of Peterborough on April 19, 2017.

Bishop Miehm holds a Master's of Divinity degree from St. Augustine's Seminary and a Licentiate in Canon Law from the Angelicum University in Rome.

On a national level, he serves the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB) as a member of the Permanent Council and as co-chair of the Hindu-Catholic Dialogue. For nine years, he was the CCCB bishop liaison to Canadian Catholic Campus Ministry.

Provincially, Bishop Miehm sits on the Assembly of Catholic Bishops of Ontario (ACBO) Executive as a Councillor, and he chairs the Education Commission. He is also bishop liaison to the Ontario Catholic School Trustees' Association.

Media Availability with Bishop Fabbro and Bishop Miehm:

Diocesan Centre, 1070 Waterloo Street London at 2:00 p.m.

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