A Special Announcement from Bishop Randolph R. Calvo

Lifting my heart in thanks to God from whom all blessings flow, it is my joy to announce that Pope Francis has appointed Bishop Daniel Mueggenborg as the eighth Bishop of Reno. I am also grateful to the Holy Father for his acceptance of my request to retire from my responsibilities as diocesan bishop for reasons of health.

The Holy Spirit continually renews the Church. Now is a moment of renewal as we welcome a new pastor for the Church in northern Nevada. Bishop Mueggenborg comes to us from the Archdiocese of Seattle where he has served as Auxiliary Bishop. Prior to that assignment, he served as a priest of the Diocese of Tulsa. In those two dioceses he experienced diversity in communities—urban, rural, suburban, cultures and landscape. He brings to his ministry many personal gifts and a variety of pastoral experiences. We are fortunate that he has been sent to us.

For the past fifteen years of my tenure here, I have been the recipient of many blessings, especially in meeting, praying with, working with and serving you the people of northern Nevada. These blessings give me confidence that you will open your hearts and minds to welcome Bishop Mueggenborg. This is his new home and you are his new family in the Lord. May our hospitality inspire him to make his own, the words of our state song, “Home Means Nevada”.

Bishop Mueggenborg will be installed on September 24 in a liturgy with the Metropolitan, Archbishop Salvatore Cordileone of San Francisco, presiding and in the presence of Archbishop Christophe Pierre, the Apostolic Nuncio—Pope Francis’ representative to the United States.

Until the installation, I will assume the duty of caretaker, having been appointed Apostolic Administrator by Pope Francis.

Bishop Randolph R. Calvo,
Bishop Emeritus of Reno