

## Congregazione dei Rogazionisti

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Subject: Fr. Angelo A. Mezzari appointed Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of São Paulo (Brazil)

To the Most Rev. Superiors of the Rogationist Circumscriptions and to the Rogationist Communities THEIR ADDRESSES

Dear Confreres,

I am pleased to inform you that today, July 8, 2020, the Supreme Pontiff Francis conferred on Fr. Angelo Ademir Mezzari, our confrere of the São Luca Province, the appointment of Titular Bishop of "Fiorentino" and Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of São Paulo (Brazil).

This news fills us with joy and constitutes for our Congregation and for the São Luca Province a reason to be pleased in seeing that the Holy Father entrusts to one of our religious the important service of the Episcopal Ministry.

Fr. Angelo, 63 years old, with 39 years of religious life and 35 years of priesthood, attended courses in journalism and social communications and obtained a Licentiate in Philosophy and a Doctorate in Dogmatic Theology.

He was a formator in the Center of Studies; he worked in vocation promotion and in the socio-educational apostolate; he was director of the Vocational Pastoral Institute of São Paulo, and director and editor of *Rogate* magazine; he was a member of the Council of the São Luca Province for three terms, Provincial Superior for two terms and, from 2010 to 2016, Superior General of the Congregation. In the Church of Brazil, he collaborated in particular with the Commission of Ordained Ministries and Consecrated Life and in the realization of Vocational Congresses in Brazil.

Since October 2016, Fr. Angelo has been the Superior of the Community of Bauru and parish priest of the Parish of Our Lady of Grace. In the Diocese of Bauru, he is a member of the Presbyteral Council, Coordinator of the CRB Core-group, and lecturer at the School of Catechesis.

He brings to the Church of São Paulo this wide experience and the gifts of wisdom and prudence received from the Lord, together with the human and religious virtues drawn from his family and matured in the Congregation. Above all, he will transmit the charism of the Rogate that has marked his person.

We express our fervent wish to Fr. Angelo while we are sure that he will carry out his Episcopal Ministry as a Rogationist in the service of the Church of São Paulo.

Our assurances to Fr. Angelo that we will remain close to him and accompany him with our prayers, as we address our cordial wishes and greetings to him.

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