

Dear Brother Priest,

Cardinal Gregory has requested that I communicate to you this morning that the Holy Father, Pope Francis, has appointed Most Reverend Michael W. Fisher as the new Bishop of Buffalo.

I also share with you Cardinal Gregory's statement:

Today the Archdiocese of Washington is privileged to share a generous gift with the Diocese of Buffalo with Pope Francis' appointment of Michael William Fisher to become the fifteenth Shepherd of that local Church. Bishop Fisher is an exceptionally compassionate and skilled servant of the Church. His distinguished history as pastor, Vicar for Priests, and member of our Pastoral Administration have prepared him well for his new responsibilities in that diocese. While we will miss his deft pastoral talents, they will be warmly welcomed by the faithful, religious, and clergy of the Diocese of Buffalo. May the Lord bring joy to his heart and to the hearts of the people who will welcome him.

Linked <u>here</u> is a story in the Catholic Standard.

With gratitude for your priestly ministry, I am Sincerely in Christ, Reverend Daniel B. Carson Vicar General and Moderator of the Curia