



Very Reverend Daniel B. Carson

Vicar General and Moderator of the Curia

Dear Brother Priest,

I write today to provide you with updates and will continue to share with you information as needed.

Father Mel Ayala Named Director of Liturgy at Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception

Linked **here** is the press release announcing that Cardinal Gregory has released Father Mel Ayala, current pastor of Saint Andrew the Apostle, Silver Spring, Maryland, to succeed Father Michael D. Weston as Director of Liturgy for the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, effective September 20, 2021.

Remind the Faithful of Information on the Website

The archdiocesan website is updated regularly. Please see adw.org/coronavirus for information related to the coronavirus, adw.org/live-streamed-masses-and-prayers/ for a listing of live stream Masses and prayers, and cathstan.org and elpreg.org for the *Catholic Standard* and the Spanish-language *El Pregonero* newspapers.

As always, should you have questions or need assistance from my office and the Pastoral Center, please let us know.

With gratitude for your priestly ministry, I am
Sincerely in Christ,
Very Reverend Daniel B. Carson
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