

RESIGNATION OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE PONTIFICAL COUNCIL FOR HEALTH CARE WORKERS (FOR HEALTH PASTORAL CARE) AND APPOINTMENT OF THE SUCCESSOR

The Holy Father Benedict XVI has accepted the resignation of His Eminence Javier Cardinal Lozano Barragán, from the office of President of the Pontifical Council for Health Care Workers (for Health Pastoral Care) due to age limit, and appointed Bishop Zygmunt Zimowski of Radom, Poland, to succeed him, elevating him at the same time to the dignity of Archbishop.

His Excellency Msgr. Zygmunt Zimowski

He was born in Kupienin (diocese of Tarnów, Poland), on 7 April 1949.

He was ordained priest on 27 May 1973 and incardinated in the diocese of Tarnów.

He obtained a Licence in Dogmatic Theology from the Catholic University of Lublin.

He obtained a Doctorate in Dogmatic Theology from the Theological Faculty of Leopold-Franzens University Innsbruck.

On 1 February 1983, he began service at the Congregation for the Doctrine of Faith.

He was appointed Chaplain of the Holy Father on 14 April 1988 and Prelate of Honor on 10 July 1999.

He was the Postulator of the Beatification and Canonization processes of Karolina Kózka, Rev. Roman Sitko and Sr. Maria Julittae Ritz.

He taught Ecclesiology at the Catholic University of Lublin and the Stefan Wyszyński University of Warsaw.

He is author to 120 publications, 40 pastoral letters and some books, as well as several articles.

He was involved in the preparation of the Catechism of the Catholic Church, especially the Polish edition.

He collaborated with the Polish Section of the Vatican Radio.

Appointed by Pope John Paul II as Bishop of Radom on 28 March 2002, he was ordained by the then Prefect of the Congregation for the Doctrine of Faith, Card. Joseph Ratzinger, in the cathedral of Radom on 25 May 2002.

He has held the following duties in the Polish Episcopal Conference: President of the Episcopal Commission for the Doctrine of Faith, Member of the Permanent Council, Delegate for the Pastoral Care of Polish Immigrants, Member of the Ecumenical Commission and the Group for Contacts with the Ecumenical Council of Poland, Member of the Group of Bishops for pastoral solicitude for Radio Maria and Member of the Polish Society of Mariology.

Besides the Polish language, he speaks Italian, German, English, French and Russian.



**Sua Eccellenza Reverendissima Monsignor Zygmunt
Zimowski**

Presidente del Pontificio Consiglio per gli Operatori
sanitari

(per la pastorale della salute)