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Very Reverend and dear Father Robert:

Today, we congratulate you upon your appointment by Pope Francis to be the Sixth Bishop of the Byzantine Ruthenian Catholic Eparchy of Parma, Ohio.

We thank you for your many years of service as a priest of the Eparchy of Phoenix (Van Nuys) in Phoenix, Arizona, Las Vegas, Nevada, and San Diego, California, and as the vocation director for the Eparchy of Phoenix. You have been a faithful and productive member of the Liturgy and Vocation Committees of the Metropolitan Church of Pittsburgh. You will be missed as the Rector of Saints Cyril and Methodius Seminary for the Byzantine Catholic Churches in the United States.

We look forward to your ordination and installation as the Bishop of Parma. We look forward to your future in in the Eparchy of Parma, the Byzantine Metropolitan Church of Pittsburgh, and in the Catholic Churches in the United States.

We wish you many happy and blessed years.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend William C. Skurla, D.D.  
*Metropolitan Archbishop of Pittsburgh*