

**REMARKS OF HIS EMINENCE CARDINAL CHRISTOPHE PIERRE  
APOSTOLIC NUNCIO TO THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**

**INSTALLATION OF THE MOST REV. ROBERT G. CASEY  
AS TENTH ARCHBISHOP OF CINCINNATI**

**CATHEDRAL BASILICA OF ST. PETER IN CHAINS – CINCINNATI, OHIO  
APRIL 3, 2025**

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

On this important day in the life of this local Church and community, please know of the spiritual closeness of the Holy Father Pope Francis.

I wish to express my gratitude to Archbishop Schnurr for his many years as Bishop, and especially for his years as the shepherd of this Archdiocese of Cincinnati. Archbishop, may God bless you during your retirement, may He give you good health, and keep you close to Him.

Archbishop-designate Casey: Congratulations on this appointment! As you undertake this new mission, you can be confident that the graces of this Jubilee Year will help you to be, together with the people of southwest Ohio, “pilgrims of hope”, as you trust the Holy Spirit to lead you on the pathways of the Gospel.

Through listening and accompaniment, you will foster unity among the people of God and among your priests, which will in turn be a source of evangelism for those whom Christ still wants to encounter.

May God bless you and all the people of this Archdiocese.

I will now read the Decree of your appointment.