



## COMMUNIQUÉ FROM THE CHANCELLERIE

### Prayers for the election of the next bishop

In accordance with canon 401 no. 1, Bishop Lionel Gendron p.s.s. presented to the Supreme Pontiff the resignation of his office, as of June 12, 2019 when he will reach the age of 75.

The Pope has accepted this resignation "nunc pro tunc", i.e. it will come into force when a successor is appointed. In the meantime, the faithful are invited personally and in community to pray for this intention. The Roman Missal contains a special votive mass "for the election of a Bishop" (page 1238) and the lectionary of the Ritual Masses presents appropriate texts (page 373).

We suggest its use for diocesan people. A special intention could be added to the universal prayers.

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