



ARCHDIOCESE OF ANCHORAGE-JUNEAU
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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Today in Rome at noon, (2:00 a.m. Alaska time) it was announced that Pope Francis has appointed Bishop Chad Zielinski as the fifth bishop of the Diocese of New Ulm in Minnesota. A news conference is scheduled for today at 10:30 a.m. (Alaska time) in the Diocese of New Ulm. It will be live streamed on the New Ulm diocesan website at (<https://www.dnu.org/>). Bishop Chad's installation is scheduled for Tuesday, September 27, 2022. Until then, Bishop Chad is the Apostolic Administrator of the Diocese of Fairbanks.

Additional information can be found at:

<https://www.dioceseoffairbanks.org/>

<https://www.usccb.org/news/2022/pope-francis-appoints-bishop-chad-zielinski-bishop-new-ulm>

We congratulate Bishop Chad on his appointment and thank him for his years of dedicated service as the Bishop of Fairbanks. We join in prayer with our brothers and sisters in Fairbanks awaiting an appointment of a new bishop and rejoice with our brothers and sisters in New Ulm.

Sincerely in Christ,

Archbishop Andrew Bellisario, C.M.
Archbishop of Anchorage-Juneau