

Statement of Archbishop Gustavo García-Siller, MSpS, regarding the appointment of Father Sylvester David, OMI, as auxiliary bishop of the Archdiocese of Cape Town, South Africa

I offer my congratulations and best wishes to Father Sylvester David, OMI, who was appointed auxiliary bishop of the Archdiocese of Cape Town, South Africa, today by Pope Francis. Father Sylvester was scheduled to become president of Oblate School of Theology on August 1, and has been in San Antonio since February, working alongside Father Ron Rolheiser, OMI. Father Sylvester was born in Durban, South Africa, and had served as vicar general of the Durban Archdiocese, in addition to ministering as a parish priest, a formator, lecturer, and president at St. Joseph's Theological Institute. We pray for Father Sylvester as he returns home to South Africa this month to begin his episcopal ministry, and offer our support to Oblate School of Theology in this time of transition.