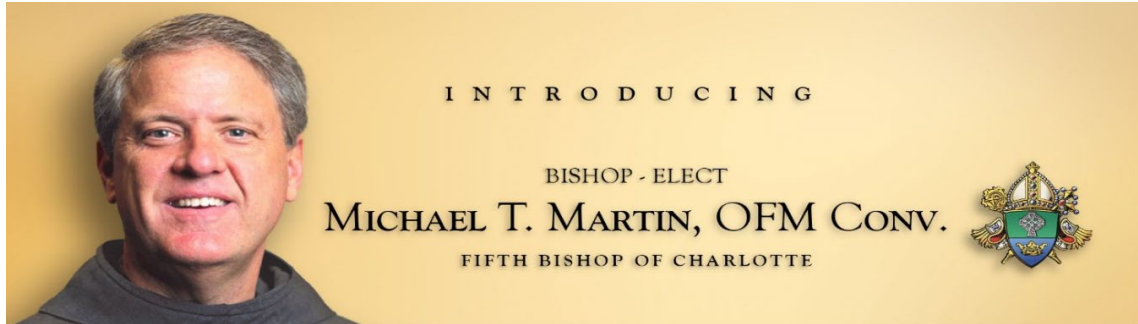


WELCOME BISHOP-ELECT



THE REV. MICHAEL T. MARTIN, OFM CONV. HAS BEEN APPOINTED AS OUR NEXT BISHOP.

BISHOP – ELECT MARTIN, IS A PRIEST OF THE ORDER OF FRIARS MINOR CONVENTUAL RELIGIOUS COMMUNITY, AND CURRENTLY SERVES AS PASTOR OF ST. PHILIPS BENIZI PARISH IN JONESBORO GEORGIA.

Bishop-elect Martin was born in Baltimore on Dec. 2, 1961, the only boy of four children in a Catholic family whose faith was an integral part of their lives. He attended Archbishop Curley High School in Baltimore, where he would later return to work. In 1979, when he was 17, he entered the Conventual Franciscan Friars Novitiate in Ellicott City, Maryland. He graduated with a bachelor's degree in philosophy from St. Hyacinth College-Seminary (Massachusetts), earned a Bachelor of Sacred Theology from the Pontifical University of St. Bonaventure (Rome), and received a master's degree in education from Boston College. He worked as a religious studies teacher and coach at St. Francis High School in Athol Springs, New York, in 1984-85, then served as a transitional deacon at St. Adalbert Parish in Elmhurst, New York, in 1988-1989. He was ordained to the priesthood on June 10, 1989, by then Auxiliary Bishop John Ricard of the Archdiocese of Baltimore, during a Mass at St. Casimir Catholic Church in Baltimore. Following his ordination, he returned to St. Francis High School to serve as admissions director and a teacher and coach, from 1989 to 1994. He then served in several positions at his alma mater Archbishop Curley High School from 1994 to 2010 – including president, principal, admissions director, and teacher and basketball coach.

In 2007 he was the recipient of the Pro Ecclesia et Pontifices award from then-Pope Benedict XVI for his service to the Church.

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**THANK YOU, BISHOP PETER
JOSEPH JUGIS,**



DIOCESE OF CHARLOTTE

Bishop Peter Joseph Jugis is a native of Charlotte, N.C., and is the fourth Bishop of the Diocese of Charlotte. Bishop Jugis was baptized at St. Ann Catholic Church in Charlotte in 1957 by Monsignor Michael J. Begley, who would later become the first bishop of the newly formed Diocese of Charlotte in 1972. TO LEARN MORE PLEASE VISIT [Bishop Peter Jugis - Diocese of Charlotte \(charlottediocese.org\)](http://Bishop Peter Jugis - Diocese of Charlotte (charlottediocese.org)).