



## **Most Reverend Louis Tylka Installed as Coadjutor Bishop of the Diocese of Peoria**

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(Peoria, IL | July 23, 2020) – The Diocese of Peoria is pleased to share the news that the Most Reverend Louis Tylka has been formally installed as Coadjutor Bishop.

The Most Reverend Tylka will become the ninth Bishop of the Diocese of Peoria when he succeeds Bishop Daniel R. Jenky, CSC, upon his retirement in March of 2022 when he turns 75, the age when bishops are required to turn in their resignation to the pope.

The formal ordination and installation of the Most Reverend Tylka as Coadjutor Bishop took place at The Cathedral of St. Mary in Peoria.

Prior to being appointed by His Holiness, Pope Francis, Coadjutor Bishop Tylka, 50, was Pastor of St. Julie Billiart in Tinley Park, Illinois. He earned a reputation as a very popular pastor in the Archdiocese of Chicago where he was known as a man of holiness and prayer, generous in service, who knows how to encourage the talents of others in collaborative ministry.

"I know that Coadjutor Bishop Tylka will bring enormous talent, zeal, and a warm personality to the service of God and neighbor here in central Illinois. I have assured Bishop Tylka that he can expect an enthusiastic welcome, and that we look forward to his pastoral ministry and leadership," said Bishop Jenky.

In his greeting to the people, Coadjutor Bishop Tylka shared that he looks forward to many years of getting to know the faithful and walking with them on the path of discipleship. "As I begin my ministry, I ask for your prayers for me and our local church that we may continue to grow closer to Jesus each day and bring the message of our faith to all parts of the world."

Coadjutor Bishop Tylka is a native of Harvey, Illinois and is the youngest of six children. He graduated from Marian Catholic High School, and Niles College Seminary of Loyola University. His seminary formation took place at the University of Saint Mary of the Lake, Mundelein Seminary and he was ordained a priest of Jesus Christ for the Archdiocese of Chicago by Joseph Cardinal Bernardin on May 18, 1996.

Video of the Mass is available for viewing on the [Diocese of Peoria Facebook](#).

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