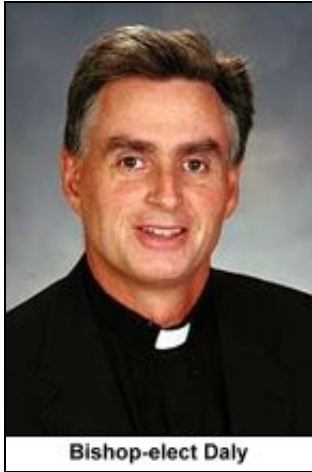


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“Very heartening to see this appointment”

Pope names auxiliary bishop for San Jose diocese

Pope Benedict XVI has named the first-ever auxiliary bishop for San Jose, just days before the diocese celebrates the 30th anniversary of its establishment.



Bishop-elect Daly

The Apostolic Nuncio to the United States, Archbishop Pietro Sambi, announced the appointment of Fr. Thomas A. Daly, 50, director of Vocations for the San Francisco archdiocese and president of Marin Catholic High School, yesterday in Washington. Fr. Daly has developed a reputation in San Francisco as a staunch advocate for the pro-life cause.

Bishop-elect Daly, said a news release from the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, “was born April 30, 1960, in San Francisco. He earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of San Francisco, 1982; a Master of Divinity degree from St. Patrick’s Seminary, Menlo Park, California, 1987; and a Master of Education degree from Boston College, 1996.”

“Bishop-elect Daly was ordained a priest for the San Francisco Archdiocese in 1987,” said the USCCB news release. “After ordination to the priesthood he was parochial vicar of Our Lady of Loretto Parish, 1987-1992; teacher and campus minister, Marin Catholic

High School, 1992-2003; part-time chaplain, San Francisco Police Department, 1995-2003; parochial vicar, St. Cecilia’s Church, 1995-1999; Archdiocesan Director of Vocations, 2002-present and President, Marin Catholic High School, 2003-present.”

The appointment comes just three days before the Diocese of San Jose celebrates its 30th anniversary. A special Mass observing the erection of the diocese is scheduled this Saturday at 10 a.m. at the Cathedral Basilica of Saint Joseph.

While at Marin Catholic High, Bishop-elect Daly developed a solid reputation as a pro-life advocate, and is said to be widely respected by San Francisco-area pro-lifers. In January 2010, Marin Catholic invited anti-abortion warrior **Rev. Walter Hoye**, who was jailed for defying Oakland’s so-called “bubble law,” to speak to the faculty and student body.

“Rev. Hoye was welcomed to speak in the new Pope John Paul II Student Center by the President of Marin Catholic, Father Thomas A. Daly, who teaches Senior Apologetics to a class of 88,” said a Marin Catholic press released issued at the time. “Prior to **Rev. Hoye’s** talk, all students read a copy of the letter he wrote while he was in jail.”?

“**Reverend Hoye** spoke to the audience about the sidewalk counseling he has provided to expectant mothers over the years, his arrest, trial and subsequent time in jail, as well as the appeal of his trial in the Ninth District Court,” said the news release. “**Reverend Hoye** also discussed the sanctity of life, the evils of abortion, and promoted The Walk for Life in San Francisco on January 23rd. Adults from the Marin Network for Life attended one session.”

“**Rev. Hoye** was able to eloquently and powerfully reveal the Truth about abortion and young people are always drawn to the Truth when they are able to hear it,” the news release quoted Fr. Daly as saying following **Rev. Hoye’s** appearance on campus.

“It is very heartening to see this appointment,” said Eva Muntean, co-founder of Walk for Life West Coast. “Fr.

Tom has been a supporter of the Walk for Life West Coast for many years. San Francisco's loss is San Jose's gain, but we will certainly miss him."

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