

Press release

Appointment of a Pontifical Delegate for the Foyers de Charité

Châteauneuf de Galaure, February 10th 2022

By Order in Council dated February 3rd 2022, Cardinal Kevin Farrell, Prefect of the Dicastery for the Laity, the Family and Life, appointed His Eminence Cardinal Jean-Pierre Ricard, Archbishop emeritus of Bordeaux, Pontifical Delegate for the international private association of faithful *the work of the Foyers de Charité*, with immediate effect. He also appoints, His Excellency Bishop Michel Dubost C.I.M., Bishop emeritus of Evry-Corbeil-Essonnes, and Mr Laurent Landete, member of the Dicastery for the Laity, the Family and Life, Pontifical Vice-Delegates *“to assist the Delegate, and with the ability to act, together or separately, on behalf of the delegate”*.

The decree states that the Pontifical Delegate’s *“mission is to govern the association, temporarily, with full governmental powers”*. He *“will accompany the members of the association in a review of the charism and a clarification of the ecclesiology that underlies the vocation of the Foyers, along with a consequent reform of the life, the formation and the government of the association at statutory level”*.

In a letter addressed to the members of the Work of the Foyers de Charité on Thursday February 10th, father Moïse Ndione, Father Moderator of the Work since 2016, states that the international Council and he hand over their missions as moderator and counsellors. He expresses his gratitude towards Mr. Laurent Landete, who had already accompanied the Foyers for several months and *“who helped speed up the process”*. He underlines that a *“work for a new impetus for the Foyers is falling into place”* and tells again all his *“filial trust towards the Church our mother”*. Father Moïse Ndione adds that he *“does not doubt that this reinforced accompaniment of the Church will allow us to make our charism radiate by clarifying it with the Church and for the world”*.

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