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Dear Friends,

With joy I inform you that our Holy Father Pope Francis has appointed Bishop Peter Andrew Comensoli of the Diocese of Broken Bay as the ninth Archbishop of Melbourne. The announcement has been made at 8pm today Friday 29 June Australian Eastern Standard Time (Noon in Rome).

On behalf of the Archdiocese, I extend a warm greeting to Bishop Comensoli, who is generous, gifted and faith-filled. He will bring a wealth of experience to the Archdiocese, beginning with his priestly ordination in Wollongong in 1992, followed by his ordination as Bishop in Sydney in 2011 and his appointment as Bishop of Broken Bay in 2014. A copy of Archbishop-elect Comensoli's curriculum vitae is attached.

We greet him with warm hearts and hope for the future, and will be honoured to welcome him at the Mass of Reception in St Patrick's Cathedral on Wednesday 1 August at 7pm. I have been asked to act as Apostolic Administrator until that date.

I extend to you all my humble gratitude for your goodness, prayers and magnificent support.

Yours sincerely in Christ,

+ Denis J. Rost

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