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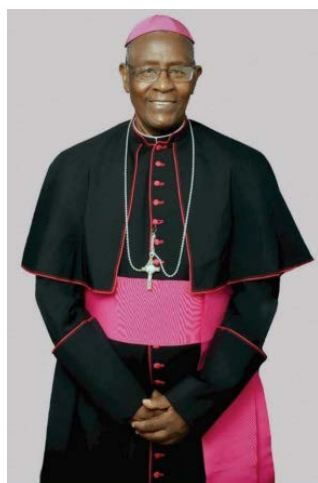
GOOD NEWS FOR AFRICAN CATHOLIC COMMUNITY IN USA

Brothers and Sisters,

I bring you greetings and prayerful wishes.

You could remember that during our last convention at Atlanta in 2019 with the Nuncio present amongst us, we did express our desire that it is time for the church in USA to have an African Bishop. As if by divine providence, the Holy Father, Pope Francis, on March 2, 2021, appointed Msgr. Jerome Feudjio as the Bishop of the Diocese of St. Thomas in the Virgin Island, USA. Msgr. Jerome Feudjio is originally from Cameroon, thereby making him the first African Bishop in USA. Thus, our prayerful wish was granted by God.

We, the members of African Conference of Catholic Clergy and Religious in the United States (ACCCRUS), with one heart and voice do extend our congratulations to Bishop Jerome Feudjio. As a noble son of Mother Africa, we are immensely proud of him as the first African to be appointed a Bishop in the United States of America. We assure him of our prayers for God's grace as he continues to shepherd the flock of the Local Church entrusted to his pastoral leadership.



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