



Three Candidates for the Office of Metropolitan Chosen

Vicar General for the Antiochian Archdiocese The Very Rev. Thomas Zain [was interviewed by Ancient Faith Radio](#) immediately following the vote, announcing that the Special Convention has nominated the following (in alphabetical order): [The Right Rev. Bishop Basil](#), Diocese of Wichita and Mid-America; [The Right Rev. Bishop John](#), Diocese of Worcester and New England; and [The Most Rev. Archbishop Joseph](#), Diocese of Los Angeles and the West and Locum Tenens for the Diocese of Eagle River and the Northwest.

In the interview, Fr. Thomas also thanked Metropolitan Silouan of Buenos Aires and all Argentina, who has served as the Patriarchal Vicar of New York and all North America since the repose of [His Eminence Metropolitan Philip of Blessed Memory](#) on March 19, 2014. “His Eminence has done a magnificent job of guiding us since he arrived here; he gave us a masterful speech of the land mines of this process and he anticipated our questions ahead of time. It seemed everyone is of one mind.”

“The Synod in Antioch has the right to choose any one of these three as the next Metropolitan. God willing, the Holy Spirit will work among them,” Fr. Thomas said.

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