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**Archbishop Mitchel Rozanski Appoints Reverend Paul Hoelsing  
Next Rector and President of Kenrick-Glennon Seminary**

**St. Louis, Missouri (Jan. 19, 2022)** – The Most Reverend Mitchell T. Rozanski, Archbishop of St. Louis, announced today that he has appointed Reverend Paul Hoelsing, STL, as the next Rector and President of Kenrick-Glennon Seminary. Fr. Hoelsing, a priest from the Archdiocese of Omaha, NE, currently serves as the Vice-Rector for Formation at the seminary. His assignment at Kenrick-Glennon Seminary will begin July 1, 2022.

Fr. Hoelsing will replace Reverend James Mason, JD, who has served in this role since July 2015.

“I am grateful to Father Mason for his outstanding work during his tenure as President-Rector,” said Archbishop Rozanski. “To name just a few of his accomplishments throughout these seven years, the seminary has implemented new formation programs such as the *Augustine Way* and *Behold the Man*, established *Forming Men for Christ* and the *Fiat Women’s Group* for the local lay faithful, navigated a global pandemic without compromising the quality of seminary formation, and cultivated an integrated program of formation to foster holy, healthy, joyful parish priests.

“Fr. Hoelsing joined the faculty of Kenrick-Glennon Seminary as Dean of Seminarians and Director of Human Formation in August 2015, before being named Vice-Rector in 2019. It is a blessing that Fr. Mason and Fr. Hoelsing have worked closely together for seven years, guaranteeing continuity in the formation of our seminary. Fr. Hoelsing is well known and well respected among the faculty and seminarians.”

Fr. Hoelsing earned a Bachelor of Arts in Biology from the University of Saint Thomas in St. Paul in 1998, as well as a Baccalaureate in Sacred Theology and a Licentiate in Dogmatic Theology from the Pontifical Gregorian University in Rome in 2001 and 2003, respectively.

Since his ordination in 2002, Fr. Hoelsing has served in parish ministry, taught in Catholic high schools and at the Institute for Priestly Formation, and worked as Director of Catholic Campus Ministry at the University of Nebraska at Omaha. Fr. Hoelsing was named Director of the Office of Vocations for the Archdiocese of Omaha in 2008 and was elected President of the National Conference of Diocesan Vocation Directors in 2013.

Reverend Shane Deman, STD, Vocations Director for the Diocese of Sioux City, will replace Fr. Hoelsing as Vice-Rector of Formation at the seminary. Fr. Deman currently serves as the Director of Vocations and Chaplain of Bishop Heelan High School in Sioux City. Fr. Deman was ordained to the priesthood in 2008 and earned a Doctorate in Fundamental Theology at the Gregorian University in Rome in 2015.

Kenrick-Glennon Seminary began the academic year with 131 men and currently serves 19 dioceses.

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