

# **Statement of Archbishop William E. Lori on Appointment of New Bishop of Bridgeport, CT**

Archbishop William E. Lori, current Archbishop of Baltimore, who served as Bishop of Bridgeport, Connecticut, from 2001 to 2012, issued the following statement today in response to the appointment of Bishop Frank J. Caggiano as the fifth Bishop of Bridgeport.

“With great joy I welcome the news of Bishop Caggiano’s appointment as the next Bishop of Bridgeport. I offer my heartfelt gratitude to our Holy Father, Pope Francis, for choosing Bishop Caggiano, whom I have known for many years, and whose many gifts and rich priestly experience come as a real grace for the Church in Fairfield County. Bishop Caggiano is a gifted teacher of the Faith, whose evident love for the Lord Jesus Christ and His Church will certainly further the work of the New Evangelization in that diocese, which remains so close to my heart.”

“On this day of joy and gratitude, I offer my full support to Bishop Caggiano, and my prayers for him, just as I remember daily in my Masses and prayers the many good priests, religious and laity of the diocese I had the privilege of serving for eleven years.”