

# Cardinal Theodore Edgar McCarrick

## Archbishop of Washington



### PERSONAL AND FAMILY INFORMATION

Born: July 7, 1930

Birthplace: New York, NY

Parents: Theodore E. McCarrick and Margaret T. McLaughlin

### EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

Academic Degrees Earned:

- M.A., St. Joseph's Seminary, Yonkers, NY
- M.A., Catholic University of America, Washington
- Ph.D., Catholic University of America, Washington

Theologate:

- St. Joseph's Seminary, Yonkers, NY

### PRIESTLY ORDINATION

Ordained to the priesthood on May 31, 1958 for the Archdiocese of New York

He was named a Monsignor in November 1965

## EPISCOPAL APPOINTMENTS

Appointed Titular Bishop of Rusubisir and Auxiliary Bishop of New York on May 24, 1977  
Ordained on June 29, 1977

Subsequently appointed first Bishop of Metuchen on November 19, 1981  
Installed on January 31, 1982

Subsequently appointed Archbishop of Newark on May 30, 1986  
Installed on July 25, 1986

Subsequently appointed Archbishop of Washington on November 21, 2000  
Installed on January 3, 2001

## CARDINALATIAL CREATION

Elevation to the College of Cardinals announced: January 21, 2001

Date of Consistory at which Pope John Paul II created him Cardinal: February 21, 2001

Titular Church: Sts. Nereus and Achilleus

Rank: Cardinal-Priest<sup>1</sup>

## VATICAN CURIAL MEMBERSHIPS

Pontifical Council for Promoting Christian Unity  
Pontifical Council for Justice and Peace  
Pontifical Council for the Pastoral Care of Migrants and Itinerant Peoples  
Administration of the Patrimony of the Apostolic See  
Pontifical Commission for Latin America

## USCCB MEMBERSHIP

Committee on African American Catholics, Consultant  
Ad Hoc Committee on Aid to the Catholic Church in Central and Eastern Europe, Member  
Ad Hoc Committee on Church in Africa, Member  
Committee on Domestic Policy, Member  
Ad Hoc Committee on Economic Concerns of the Holy See, Member  
Committee on International Policy, Member  
Committee on Migration, Consultant  
Committee on Pro-Life Activities, Consultant  
Committee on Relationship Between Eastern and Latin Catholic Churches, Member  
Subcommittee on Interreligious Dialogue, Member  
Task Force on Catholic Bishops and Politicians, Chairman

Committee on World Mission, Member  
Catholic Relief Services Board of Directors, Member

#### OTHER MEMBERSHIPS

He is chancellor of The Catholic University of America and president of the Board of Trustees of the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. A founding member of the Papal Foundation, he has served as its president since 1997. Cardinal McCarrick also is a member of the Board of Catholic Relief Services. In November 1996, then-Archbishop McCarrick was invited to serve on the U.S. Secretary of State's Advisory Committee on Religious Freedom Abroad and from 1999-2001, he was a member of the United States Commission for International Religious Freedom.

#### HONORS AND AWARDS

In January 2000, the President of Lebanon named him an Officer of the Order of the Cedars of Lebanon and in December 2000, the president of the United States presented him with the Eleanor Roosevelt Award for Human Rights.

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<sup>1</sup> Canon 350, paragraph 1, states: "The College of Cardinals is divided into three ranks: the episcopal rank, which consists of both the cardinals to whom the Roman Pontiff assigns the title of a suburbicarian church and the oriental patriarchs who have become members of the college of cardinals; the presbyteral rank; and the diaconal rank."