

Personal information:

Born in Canton, Ohio, on July 9, 1955, to John and Amelia (Popa) Botean. One younger brother, Mark S. Botean, of Stow, Ohio. Ordained priest May 13, 1986. Ordained bishop August 24, 1996.

Present activities:

Bishop of the Romanian Eparchy of St. George the Martyr in Canton (legal title: Romanian Catholic Diocese of Canton); Member of the Committee on the American College of Louvain (Region VI), past Episcopal co-sponsor, American section of the Society of St. John Chrysostom; past member of Ad Hoc Committee on Bishops' Life and Ministry of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops; past secretary of Eastern Catholic Associates (organization of Eastern Catholic hierarchy in the United States)

Education:

1973 Graduated Oakwood High School, Plain Local School District, Ohio Canton Repository Teenager of the Year Timken Company Scholarship winner

1974 St. Fidelis Seminary, Herman, PA

1977 A.B. in Philosophy summa cum laude, Phi Beta Kappa The Catholic University of America, Washington, DC

1977-1981 St. Gregory Melkite Seminary, Newton, MA Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology (Boston Theological Institute)

1985-1989 Catholic Theological Union, Chicago, IL

Assignments/Employment:**Romanian Catholic Diocese**

Bishop - 1996-present

Romanian Catholic Diocese

Vicar General, then Apostolic Administrator - 1993-1996

St. George Cathedral, Canton, OH

Rector - 1990-1993

St. Michael Church, Aurora, IL

Pastor - 1986-1990

Pax Christi USA Center on Conscience and War, Cambridge, MA

Staff Member

Center for Applied Research in the Apostolate (CARA), Washington, DC

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