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asked, holding back the tears. "He embodies all of this. He is the reason we are here. He is the reason we strive to live lives that are holy and pleasing to the Lord," Bishop Etienne said.

After the Liturgy of the Word, those gathered, some who had seen the bishop for the first time, greeted him and welcomed him to Wyoming.



Above, Bishop Etienne as he signs the document. Right, his hand on the Book of the Gospels during Mass. Photos by Val Rothwell



Bishop Etienne has administrative background

Birthday - June 15, 1959

Born as the second son to Paul and Kay (Voges) Etienne

1977 Graduated from Tell City High School

1977 - 1982 and was manager of Sibert's Clothing Store, Tell City, Indiana

1985 - Attended Bellarmine College in Louisville, Kentucky, Graduated from the University of St. Thomas/St. John Vianney College Seminary, Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration

1987 - Served with the USCCB as Assistant Coordinator for Papal Visits for Pope John Paul II to the United States

1992 - Attended the North American College in Rome, Bachelor of Sacred Theology

June 27, 1992 - Ordained a priest for the Archdiocese of Indianapolis; Associate Pastor at St. Barnabas in Indianapolis

1995 - Attended Pontifical Gregorian University in Rome, License in Spiritual Theology

1995-1998 Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Indianapolis

Pastor, St. Anne, Jennings County; Pastor, St. Joseph, Jennings County

1998-2007 - Pastor, Our Lady of Perpetual Help, New Albany, Indiana

2007-2009 - Vice-Rector, Bishop Simon Bruté College Seminary, Indianapolis

2007-2008 - Pastor, St. Simon, Indianapolis

2008-2009 - Pastor, St. John the Evangelist, Indianapolis; Pastor St. Paul Parish, Tell City, Indiana

Oct. 19, 2009 - The Holy Father, Pope Benedict XVI announced the appointment of Most Reverend Paul D. Etienne as the Eighth Bishop of the Diocese of Cheyenne.



Newly-ordained, Bishop Paul D. Etienne speaks at his ordination, Dec. 9. Photo by James Baca