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ARCHDIOCESE OF ST. LOUIS NAMES NEW EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF COMMUNICATIONS

Brecht Mulvihill Will Assist with the Renewed Mission for the local Catholic Church.

St. Louis, Missouri – The Archdiocese of St. Louis today announced the selection of Brecht Mulvihill as its next Executive Director of Communications. Mulvihill will assume responsibilities July 18.

As the Archdiocese of St. Louis Executive Director of Communications, Mulvihill will oversee a 12person team responsible for internal and external communications, including parish, school and ministry support; community and media engagement; and multimedia production, including *The St. Louis Review* and *Catholic St. Louis* print and digital publications as well as social media and archstl.org.

"Brecht comes to us with more than a decade of communications, media, advocacy and leadership experience," said The Most Reverend Mitchell T. Rozanski, Archbishop of St. Louis. "I especially welcome his passion for the Church and his longtime involvement in the local Catholic community."

As the Archdiocese of St. Louis continues to envision a vibrant future, Mulvihill will play a key role in assisting with the renewed mission for the local Catholic Church.

"I'm thrilled to have this opportunity to serve the Church that has given me so much," said Mulvihill. "Our Archdiocese – much like the St. Louis region – has a rich history and a bright future, and I am eager to work with our team and share the good news of Jesus Christ."

Mulvihill brings with him non-profit experience from his most recent position as Member Marketing Manager for the American Association of Orthodontists, where he oversaw member communications and contributed to advocacy, public relations and outreach initiatives. Prior to that, he worked for seven years as a regional political director, legislative correspondent, press assistant and campaign manager for one of Missouri's U.S. Representatives. Mulvihill earned a B.A. in Political Science and Government from the University of Missouri – Columbia.

Mulvihill attended Mary Queen of Peace elementary school and Saint Louis Priory School. He and his wife Ellyn are parishioners at Little Flower Catholic Church in Richmond Heights.

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