

Very Rev. Father Zadik Avetikyan

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PERSONAL DATES

Surname	Avetikyan
Presbyteral name	Zadik
Baptismal name	Vachagan
Date of birth	August 7, 1957
Place of birth	Yerevan – Armenia

EDUCATION

Year	1964-1974
Place	Derenik Demirchyan Secondary School No. 27, Yerevan- Armenia

Year	September 1974 - May 1980
Place	Gevorgian Theological Seminary of Etchmiadzin (Holy See of the Armenian Apostolic Church)

Thesis title	The Biography of Archbp. Stépanos Orbelian and the new discovery of certain unknown chapters of his work “Against the Chalcedonians”. The critical comparison of these texts
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Year	1982-1984
Place	Catholic Institute of Lyon, Faculty of French Language and Civilization - France
Graduation	3rd grade diploma: language teacher in non-French speaking countries

Year	1984-1987
Place	Catholic Institute of Lyon, Faculty of Theology

ORDINATIONS

Deacon ordination	December 1977 - St. Stephen Deacons Feast Ordination by H.E. Archbp. Husik Santuryan
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Priestly ordination	June 8, 1980 - St. Etchmiadzin Feast Ordination by the H.H. Vasgen I, Catholicos of All Armenians
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Defense of the thesis of Archimandrite (Doctor) in Theology	October 1987 Thesis title: The Messages of Christ in the parables of the Synoptic Gospels
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Ordination of Archimandrite

October 1987

Ordination by H.E. Archbp. Zaven Chinchinyan

WORK AND SERVICES

Year	1979-1982
Place	Mother See of Holy Etchmiadzin
Position	Executive Secretary of the "Etchmiadzin" monthly magazine
Year	1979-1982
Place	Mother See of Holy Etchmiadzin
Position	Lecturer of Religious Studies at Etchmiadzin Theological Seminary
Year	1980-1982
Place	Mother See of Holy Etchmiadzin
Position	Personal secretary of the Catholicos of All Armenians Vasgen I
Year	1982-1987
Place	Central France - Lyon
Position	Visiting Pastor in Lyon, St. Etienne, Vienna and Pont-de-Cheruy Armenian parishes communities
Year	1988-1993
Place	Central France - Saint-Etienne
Position	Pastor of the Armenian parish of Saint Etienne (Loire province) Visiting pastor of Romans-sur-Isère Armenian parish community
Year	1994-2009
Place	South France - Marseille
Position	Pastor of the Armenian Apostolic Cathedral of the Holy Translators (Serbots Tarkmanchats) in Marseille
Year	2003-2007
Place	South France - Marseille
Position	Deputy of the Pontifical Legation for Western Europe in Southern France
Year	Since 2009
Place	Belgium - Brussels
Position	Deputy of the Pontifical Legation for Western Europe Representative of the Armenian Apostolic Church in Belgium