



# APOSTOLIC VICARIATE OF NORTHERN ARABIA

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## CHANCERY OFFICE

### HOLY FAMILY CATHEDRAL

AL SOOR STREET 21, NEAR SHERATON HOTEL, P.O. BOX 266, SAFAT-13003, KUWAIT

**Prot. No. 09/2020.**

DATE: 13-APRIL-2020

**To all Priests, Religious, and Lay Faithful**  
of the Apostolic Vicariate of **Northern Arabia.**



**Name:** Camillo Ballin  
**Title:** Apostolic Vicar of Northern Arabia  
**Titular See:** Titular Bishop of Arna  
**Date of Birth:** June 24, 1944  
**Nationality:** Italian  
**Ordained Priest:** March 30, 1969  
**Ordained Bishop:** September 2, 2005  
**Died:** April 12, 2020

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Wishing you all Peace and Joy of the Risen Lord.

We regret to inform you the shocking news that on the night of Easter Sunday, 12.04.2020, at 10.00 p.m., **His Excellency Bishop Camillo Ballin, mccj**, went to his eternal abode, to rest in PEACE, leaving his faithful sheep behind. This is a sad news.

In view of his untimely death, and taking into consideration the current serious situation of COVID-19 Pandemic, and after seeking valuable guidance from His Grace Apostolic Nuncio, we advise you to note the following: (see pg.2)





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- 1) The funeral details will be made known at a later date;
- 2) Solemn requiem mass will be held when normalcy is restored in Kuwait;
- 3) Priests are to celebrate requiem mass in individual parishes without the presence of the faithful;
- 4) Faithful are requested to pray for Our Bishop.

Yours in Christ,

Rev. Dr. Antony Lopez, OFM Cap. JCD.  
Chancellor & Eccl. Judge – AVONA.

- cc:** 1. His Grace Archbishop Francisco M. Padilla, Apostolic Nuncio;  
2. Parish Priests, Clergy & Religious of the AVONA;  
3. His Excellency Bishop Paul Hinder, OFM Cap., DD., AVOSA;  
4. His Eminence Oswald Cardinal Gracias, Archbishop of Bombay;  
5. Rev. Fr. Paul Koenig, Capuchin Custos of the General Custody of Arabia.

