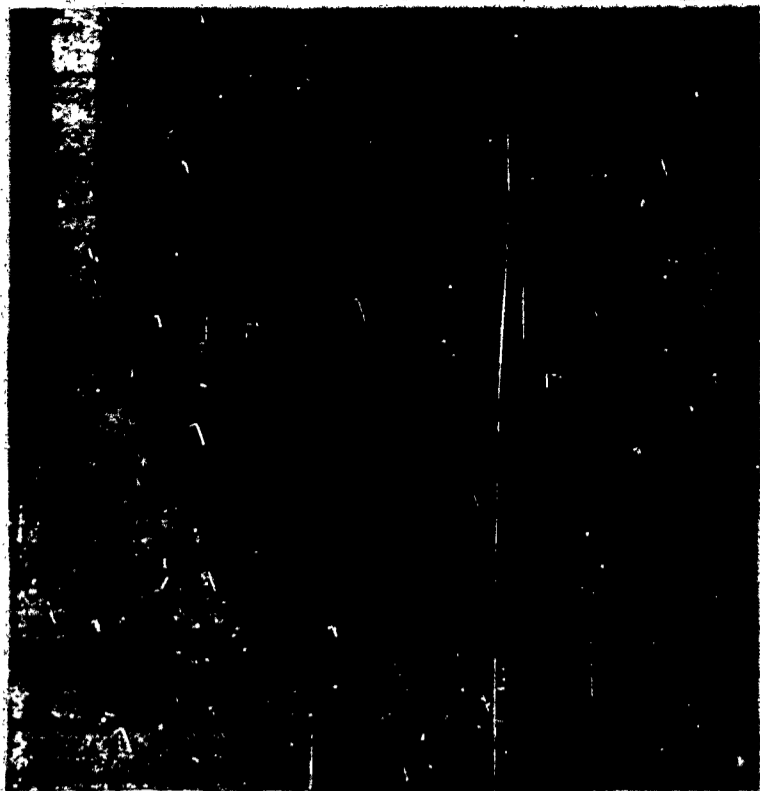


PRAY FOR MORE NATIVE CLERGY



A day of prayer for the needs and interests of native priests in various lands will be held throughout the United States on Sunday, February 21, the eve of the Feast of St. Peter's Chair at Antioch, one of the great patronal feasts of the Society of St. Peter the Apostle for Native Clergy. Rev. Kevin J. Maloney, of New York, is National Director of the Society. Inset: A young ordained Kevin priest gives his first homily to his old Methodist pastor. (MC-Photo Staff)

Card. Villeneuve Dismisses 'The Catholic And The War', Cites U. S. Bishops' Stand

QUEREC (MC)—War in principle is repugnant to the Church, which is a society of peace, concord and charity, but the Church has ever been the most vigorous defendant of justice and that is why her Doctrines, particularly the Doctrines of St. Thomas Aquinas, have recognized the right of war. His Eminence Rodrigue Cardinal Villeneuve, Archbishop of Quebec, declared in speaking a series of radio broadcasts on the subject "The Catholic and the War."

The Pope has always preached peace, taught its practical principles and suggested the peaceful means to it, but the Pope's intentions and prayers are not for any kind of peace, but for a peace based on justice and charity in the true Christian sense. His Eminence declared: "The responsible words, justice and charity, are in the text of each allusion of the Vatican to the war since the month of September, 1939."

Cardinal Villeneuve made reference to the Bishops of the United States, among whom, he said, before the United States entered the war, there were varying judgments on the present war. Since then, however, following previous pronouncements similar to those made at their annual meeting last November they had adopted what they called "The Bishops' Statement on Victory and Peace," which begins with the words: "Our country has been forced into the most devastating war of all time."

That statement had pointed out, His Eminence said, that the war, which today absorbs the entire world, undoubtedly would determine the greatest moral issue of the present hour. Certain nations, he said, had wished to lead people into slavery, to destroy human liberty and Christian liberty, in a word to deprive man of his dignity with which he had been endowed by God. The American Bishops in their statement had declared there could be no compromise with such ideas, the Cardinal remarked. That statement was a concrete and definite judgment and not an voice had been raised against it among the Hierarchy of the United States, he noted.

The Bishops, His Eminence continued, were not unaware that there were mixed up in this war other views and other authorities than those of the Holy Father; they did not know the public, state and interests of Communism in those combinations of circumstances, but they omitted underlining the necessary means to obtain the fundamental lines of the picture, without ignoring them or betraying them. They felt that particular problems might be regulated in less-troubled times.

What, His Eminence asked, had caused this uncertainty of judgment among the members of the American Hierarchy? Evidence of the facts? Perhaps. The French

have pushed the matter for the last two years and their policy was to remain in the position of a waiting game.

The Cardinal Bishop, in point of fact, does not believe in the duty of passive obedience, as the Church teaches, but he believes in the duty of active obedience, as the Church teaches, and he believes in the duty of active obedience, as the Church teaches, and he believes in the duty of active obedience, as the Church teaches.

Other Daily News: It was said, in effect, that the Bishops' statement against the doctrine of passive obedience, and especially against the teaching of the Pope of the Holy Scriptures, was the duty of the Catholic hierarchy. The Bishops had not intended to offend anyone, but they had intended to defend the faith and the Church. They had intended to defend the faith and the Church, and they had intended to defend the faith and the Church.

Catholics Urged To Take Part in Contest

MEMPHIS (AP)—The Archbishop of Memphis, Tenn., urged Catholics to take part in a contest for the election of a representative to the National Council of the Catholic Bishops.

and Prayers, and other religious services, are being held in the city of Memphis, Tenn., for the purpose of raising funds for the relief of the victims of the recent flood.

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