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Auxiliary Bishop of Detroit

Co-consecrators: Bishop Foery, Bishop Zaleski

Syracuse Bishop, former Rochester Priest,
will be Senior Co-consecrator

Auxiliary of Detroit Archdiocese
will be Junior Co-consecrator

THE Fifth Bishop of Syracuse, the Most Rev. Walter A. Foery, D.D., will return to his native city of Rochester to act as Senior Co-consecrator of Auxiliary Bishop Lawrence B. Casey on May 5 in Sacred Heart Cathedral.

The Bishop of Syracuse who was a priest of the Diocese of Rochester prior to his consecration in Rochester Aug. 18, 1937 will be participating in the solemn ceremony of elevation of a priest to the Episcopacy before the same altar at which his own elevation took place. The high altar in Sacred Heart Cathedral was brought from the old St. Patrick's Cathedral after the latter was razed.

Bishop Foery was born in Rochester on July 6, 1890, the second son of William and Margaret O'Brien Foery, both of whom are now deceased. His mother proudly attended the consecration of her son and his installation in Syracuse.

He made his grammar school studies in St. Bridget's School. After completing his course in St. Andrew's Seminary, the future Bishop of Syracuse attended St. Bernard's Seminary and on June 10, 1916 was ordained by the Most Rev. Thomas F. Hickey.

His first assignment as assistant pastor of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church, Rochester, on June 23, 1916 was to be followed by 16 years of capable administration which drew him close to the people. He was named pastor on Feb. 9, 1923 and during his pastorate he supervised construction of the beautiful church on Woodward St.

While carrying on his pastoral duties, Father Foery also became deeply interested in the problems of

the Catholic Charities. In June of 1930, the late Bishop John Francis O'Hern appointed him director of Rochester Catholic Charities, a post in which Father Foery coordinated the work of the various agencies and established procedures which have made the organization outstanding in the country.

A year later he was named Executive Director of Columbus Civic Center, the 12-story building and auditorium at Chestnut and Lawn St. in which now are housed the Chancery, Catholic Charities, Catholic Schools Office, Confraternity of Christian Doctrine office, Knights of Columbus as well as youth activities and residential rooms.

WHEN Bishop Foery went to Syracuse to be installed on Sept. 1, 1937, he was accompanied by a large delegation which included fellow priests, prominent members of the laity and in a private car with the priests was Archbishop Thomas F. Hickey.

Taking over the reign of the Diocese of Syracuse, Bishop Foery has established parishes, and has carried on a varied program in Charities, education, Le Moyne College conducted by the Jesuit Fathers was established and other fields of Episcopal endeavor.

He holds a high place in the community life of Syracuse and his Catholic organizations have rallied around him. This is attested by the fact that the Knights of Columbus in Utica have raised more than \$15,000 for a fund to educate young men for the Priesthood.

THE Most Rev. Alexander Zaleski, Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of Detroit who will be Junior Co-consecrator of Auxiliary Bishop-elect Lawrence B. Casey, is a native of New York State. He was born in Laurel, N. Y. on June 24, 1894.

Auxiliary to His Eminence Edward Cardinal Mooney, Archbishop of Detroit, Bishop Zaleski is also Vicar for Religious in the Archdiocese.

In an identical ceremony which will be repeated in Sacred Heart Cathedral, Rochester on Tuesday, May 5, Bishop Zaleski was consecrated in Blessed Sacrament Cathedral, Detroit on May 23, 1930.

Imparting to this priest of the Archdiocese for a number of years the dignity and powers of a Bishop was His Eminence Cardinal Mooney, formerly Bishop of Rochester, as Consecrator assisted by the Most Rev. Stephen S. Woznicki and the Most Rev. Allen J. Babcock.

Present at the ceremony, "the proudest and most thrilled among the great congregation." The Michigan Catholic said at the time were the new Bishop's father, Anthony Zaleski of Riverhead, L. I. and his stepmother and 18 other members of his family.

Auxiliary Bishop Zaleski was educated in Laurel public school; Don Bosco Prep School in Ramsey, N. J.; St. Mary's College, Orchard Lake, Mich.; the University of Louvain, Louvain, Belgium. He did post graduate work at the Biblical Institute in Rome.

He was ordained to the Holy Priesthood by the Most Rev. John Murray, in Louvain on July 12, 1931 and then returned to Detroit to take up his priestly duties.

First assignment in the Archdi-

ocese of Detroit was as Assistant Pastor of Resurrection Church where he served during the year 1931-1932.

His next assignment was at St. Thomas Parish during the period from February 1932 to October 1932 when he was named a professor at St. Mary's College, Orchard Lake and served until September 1937.

Named as Assistant Chancellor in September, 1937, the Detroit priest served as Defender of the bond in the matrimonial court while handling his other duties in the Chancery.

Now, Bishop Zaleski is pastor of St. Vincent de Paul Church in Pontiac, Michigan where he was assigned shortly before his elevation to the hierarchy.

First Rochester Consecration in 1850

Records of the Catholic Courier-Journal reveal the interesting fact that the first Bishop consecrated in the city of Rochester was the Rev. Bernard O'Reilly, pastor of the second St. Patrick's Church built in 1830.

Father O'Reilly was pastor from 1834 until 1840, a period when the city of Rochester was under the Archdiocese of New York.

The new diocese of Buffalo was created in 1840 and Father O'Reilly was appointed first vicar general, taking up residence with the Bishop of Buffalo, Bishop John Heenan.

It was in 1850 that Vicar General O'Reilly was consecrated Bishop of Hartford, Conn., the ceremonies being held in St. Patrick's Church, the forerunner of Rochester's first cathedral.

Bishop O'Reilly was lost at sea in 1854, while en route to the United States on the S. S. "Pacific".