

Ceremony Explained

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separated bishop, and kisses reverently the hand of the Consecrator as he offers the gifts. Then the Consecrator washes his hands and goes to the high altar. The new Bishop goes to the Epistle side (right side facing altar) of the altar; there he continues the Mass with the Consecrator. A single host is prepared to be consecrated by the Consecrator and the newly consecrated bishop.

The Consecrator offers up the host and having made the sign of the Cross with it places it on the corporal. During the prayers in preparation for the Communion which follows the Consecration of the Mass, both kiss the altar and the Consecrator gives the Consecrated the Kiss of Peace saying:

Consecrator: "Peace be with you."
Response: "And with thy spirit."

THE newly consecrated bishop gives the Kiss of Peace to the assistant Consecrators while the Consecrator gives the Kiss of Peace to his assistant priest who, in turn, gives it to a representative of each group of the clergy present, the remaining ministers of the Mass also receiving it from the Consecrator.

At the Communion of the Mass, the Consecrator, having received a portion of the Host and a portion of the Precious Blood from the Chalice, communicates the newly consecrated bishop with the remaining portion of the Host and the remaining portion of the Precious Blood.

At the conclusion of the Post-Communion prayers the Consecrator gives his blessing and sits on the faldstool while the newly consecrated bishop kneels before him. The master of ceremonies places on the head of the new bishop his zucchetto or skull cap. The Consecrator, rises and blesses the mitre of the new bishop, saying:

Consecrator: Let us Pray: "O Lord God, Father Almighty, Whose goodness is wonderful and Whose power immense, from Whom is every best and every perfect gift, the ornament of all beauty, vouchsafe to bless and sanctify this mitre to be placed on the head of this prelate, Thy servant, through Christ Our Lord."

Response: "Amen."

He then sprinkles the mitre with holy water, places the mitre on the head of the newly consecrated bishop, saying with assistant Consecrators:

Consecrator: "We, O Lord, place on the head of this Thy bishop and champion the helmet of divine and salvation, so that his face being adorned and his head armed with the protection of both testaments he may seem formidable to the opponents of truth and through the piteous bestowal of Thy grace may be their sturdy adversary. Thou who didst mark with the brightest rays of splendor and truth the countenance of Moses, Thy servant, ornamented from his fellowship with Thy word; and didst order the tiara to be placed on the head of Aaron, Thy high priest, through Christ Our Lord."

Response: "Amen."

The Consecrator rises and blesses the gloves of the new bishop, saying:

Consecrator: Let us Pray, "O Almighty Creator, who has given to man, fashioned after Thy image, hands notable for their formation, as an organ of intelligence for correct workmanship, which Thou has commanded to be kept clean, so that the soul might worthily be carried in them and Thy mysteries worthily consecrated by them, vouchsafe to bless and sanctify these hand coverings, so that whosoever of Thy ministers, the holy bishops shall humbly wish to cover their hands with these, Thy mercy shall accord to him cleanness of heart as well as of deed, through Christ Our Lord."

He sprinkles the gloves with holy water. The pontifical ring is drawn from the finger of the new bishop; the Consecrator, with the aid of the assistant Consecrators, places the gloves on the hands of the new bishop, saying with them:

Consecrator: "Encompass, O Lord, the hands of this Thy minister with the cleanness of the new Man Who

Twenty-Two Members Of Hierarchy Coming For Consecration Rites

TWENTY-TWO members of the Hierarchy, including Archbishops and Bishops, will come to Rochester next Tuesday for the Episcopal Consecration of Bishop Lawrence B. Casey in the Cathedral of the Sacred Heart. With His Excellency Bishop Kearney who will preach the sermon at the rites, the total number of Archbishops and Bishops present in the sanctuary will be twenty-three. They are:

His Eminence Francis Cardinal Spellman, Archbishop of New York
Most Reverend James E. Kearney, Bishop of Rochester
Most Reverend Walter A. Foery, Bishop of Syracuse
Most Reverend Alexander M. Zaleski, Auxiliary Bishop of Detroit
Most Reverend Joseph P. Hurley, Archbishop-Bishop of St. Augustine
Most Reverend James Edward McManus, C.S.S.R., Bishop of Ponce, Puerto Rico
Most Reverend Joseph H. Albers, Bishop of Lansing
Most Reverend John Mark Gannon, Bishop of Erie
Most Reverend Bryan J. McEntegart, Bishop of Ogdensburg
Most Reverend Joseph A. Burke, Bishop of Buffalo
Most Reverend Henry J. O'Brien, Bishop of Hartford
Most Reverend Russell J. McVinney, Bishop of Providence
Most Reverend Francis J. Haas, Bishop of Grand Rapids
Most Reverend Michael Joseph Ready, Bishop of Columbus
Most Reverend Emmet Michael Walsh, Bishop of Youngstown
Most Reverend William A. Scully, Coadjutor Bishop of Albany
Most Reverend Joseph H. Hodges, Auxiliary Bishop of Richmond
Most Reverend Raymond A. Kearney, Auxiliary Bishop of Brooklyn
Most Reverend James J. Navagh, Auxiliary Bishop of Raleigh
Most Reverend David F. Cunningham, Auxiliary Bishop of Syracuse
Most Reverend Joseph Lennox Federal, Auxiliary Bishop of Salt Lake City
Most Reverend John F. Hackett, Auxiliary Bishop of Hartford
Most Reverend Ambrose Senyshyn, O.S.B.M., Auxiliary Bishop of the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Diocese of the United States, Stamford, Conn.

The following priests will serve as chaplains to the visiting Archbishops and Bishops who will attend Bishop Casey's Consecration:

Rev. Louis A. Mulvihill, Los Angeles	Rev. George V. Fredmore	Rev. Leo J. Maruszewski
Rev. J. Norbert Lutz, Syracuse	Rev. J. Beecher Sullivan	Rev. William J. O'Brien
Rev. Francis B. Burns	Rev. Joseph T. Gaynor	Rev. John M. Merklinger
Rev. John B. Crowley	Rev. John T. Walsh	Rev. Donald J. Murphy
Rev. John A. Guy	Rev. James F. Stattery	Rev. Valentin A. Jankowski
Rev. John M. Ball	Rev. Robert H. Fennessey	Rev. John J. Leary
Rev. Frank W. Mason	Rev. Thomas F. Brennan	Rev. George S. Wood
Rev. Robert A. Keleher	Rev. Richard M. Quinn	Rev. Raymond F. Moore
Rev. Leo G. Schwab	Rev. John F. Woloch	Rev. Charles B. Connell
Rev. Theodore J. Winterroth	Rev. Dominic J. Grasso	Rev. W. Darcy Bolger
Rev. Leo C. Mooney	Rev. Joseph T. Maloney	Rev. Orrin W. Feller
Rev. Adelbert J. Schneider	Rev. Joseph G. Merkel	Rev. Edward J. Foy

descended from Heaven, so that as Thy beloved Jacob, his hands covered with the skins of young goats, implored and received the paternal benediction, having offered to his father most agreeable food and drink, so also this one may deserve to implore and to receive the benediction of Thy grace by means of the saving Host offered by his hands, through Our Lord Jesus Christ, Thy Son, Who in the likeness of sinful flesh, offered Himself to Thee for us."

The Consecrator then places the Episcopal ring on the gloved finger of the new bishop. The Consecrator rises and leads the new bishop by the right hand to the faldstool. The Consecrator places in his left hand the pastoral staff. Then the Consecrator turning toward the altar, the assistant consecrators at his right, intones the Te Deum. This hymn of thanksgiving is sung by the Choir.

AT the beginning of the hymn, the newly consecrated bishop, accompanied by the assistant consecrators and their chaplains, goes down the main aisle, blessing the congregation. The Consecrator meanwhile remains standing in the same place at the

altar until the new bishop returns to the faldstool. At the conclusion of the hymn, the Consecrator following the Antiphon offers the following prayer:

Consecrator: Let us pray, "O God, the Pastor and Ruler of all the faithful, look down in Thy mercy upon this Thy servant, whom Thou hast appointed over Thy Church, and grant, we beseech Thee, that both by word and example, he may edify all those who are under his charge, so that with the flock entrusted to him, he may attain unto life everlasting through Christ Our Lord."

Response: "Amen."

The new Bishop rises and kisses the altar. Then he signs himself with the thumb of his right hand before his breast and sings:

"Blessed be the name of the Lord."

Response: "Now and forever."

Making the sign of the Cross from his forehead to his breast, he sings: "May the Almighty God bless you."

When he has sung "God" he turns toward the people, and, holding the pastoral staff in his left hand, blesses them thrice, singing:

"The Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost."

Response: "Amen."

The mitres are now put on the Consecrator and the assistant consecrators. The newly consecrated bishop goes to the Epistle corner (right side facing altar) of the altar, with mitre on and holding his staff; facing the Consecrator he makes a genuflection and sings:

"For many years." (Ad Multos Annos.)

Then, going to the middle of the altar, he again genuflects as before, and sings in a higher voice:

"For many years."

He now approaches the Consecrator and, genuflecting a third time as above, he sings in a still higher tone of voice:

"For many years."

When he has risen, the Consecrator gives him the Kiss of Peace. The assistant Consecrators do likewise. The latter now accompany the new bishop who, with mitre on and carrying his pastoral staff, goes to his chapel reciting the Gospel of St. John. After the Kiss of Peace the Consecrator says in a low voice the Gospel of St. John and then returns to his throne and the recession starts.

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