Biography Of Pope Pius

epistles, as well as many less formal messages, on a wide variety of topics: doctrinal and liturgical in this episode since he had to be questions, moral and spiritual cult circumstances—the interpretmatters, social and economic er of the Pontifical peace plan to problems and, above all peace, the German nation, it was he who a recurring theme in virtually all personally presented the proposal his pronouncements.

He proclaimed the Marian Year of 1954 to mark the 100th anni- war continued, leading a lear versary of the promulgation of later to the downfall of the Gerthe dogma of the Immaculate man monarchy.

Conception. He proclaimed the feast of the

people

NATIVE ROMAN

Celsus and Julian by his uncle, breast. Monsignor Giuseppi Pacelli.

During his early years the functional state of the functional states of the functional states of the functional states of the french states of Providence and then went to high school at the Enning Quirino Visconti Lyceum, from which he was graduated with honors in 1893 at the age of 17.

Almo Collegio Capranica, the oldcult for him. He then returned

He was ordained the same year 1949. and celebrated his first Mass in the Basilica of St. Mary Major. Following ordination he was from Berlin in 1929 and created made assistant to the pastor of a Cardinal by Pope Pius XI at the his parish church, Santa Maria December 16 Consistory. The fuin Vallicella, popularly called the ture Pope, whose reign was to be Chiesa Nuova (New Church) al., notable for his constant work for though it was more than 400 peace, chose as the motto for his years old. While in this post he completed his studies and was awarded a doctorate, his third, in Peace Is the Work of Justice).

After finishing his studies, he was sent into two major fields of activity. He was named substitute professor of law at the Roman Seminary and also appointed "apprendista" (apprentice) in the Vatican Secretariate of State. Shortly afterwards he was made Titular Professor of Canon Law at the Roman Seminary, Professor of Diplomacy at the Academia dei Nobili and a "minutante" tofficial of the first class; at the Congregation of Extraordinary Ecclesiastical Affairs, a section of the Secretariat of State.

Cardinal Gasparri, then an Archbishop and Secretary of Legate in October, 1934, to the that Congregation, recognized the International Eucharistic Conwanted his services entirely for himself. With Pope Pius X's permission, he persuaded Father Pacelli to resign as a professor and devote himself full time to the Redemption. The year 1935 the work of the Congregation. There the future Pope remained for the next ten years, working Roman Church, In the period beon a new codification of canon law and rising to Undersecretary and then to Pro-Secretary. In 1905 he was made a Domestic Prelate and in 1914 Pope Benedict duty to Verify the Pope's death, XV promoted him to Secretary.

He served in that post during clave and to take charge of it. the early part of World War Lift For three years his job was to oners of war, moving the wounded to hospitals and sending information to the families of missing

DIPLOMATIC CORPS

the Pope chose Monsignor Pacelli

After his arrival in Munich of his trip here. Archbishop Pacelli found himself called upon to take part in one of the Holy See's most important diplomatic efforts of World War ing of the Lisieux Basilica built I. In August, 1917, Benedict XV issued his famous peace proposal, there he was the guest of honor that very few men in public life the war, but also to assure lasting

peace by a reduction of arma He spoke to the Church in more ments and permanent agreements than 33 Encyclical letters and for the solution of international conflicts through arbitration.

> The Nuncio played a major role. -in extremely delicate and diffito Kaiser, Wilhelm II, But the Kalser turned it down and the

After the war Nuncio Pacelli Queenship of Mary and the feast remained in Munich, where he of St. Joseph, patron of working faced grave danger by staying at his post during the radical Spartacist uprising. By doing so he succeeded, in spite of intimida-Pape Pius XII, the first native tions and violence, in preserving Roman to rise to the Papacy intact the prestige of the Holy since the election of Innocent Sec. To defend it he did not hesi XIII in 1721, was born in Rome tate to risk his life. On one oreaon March 2, 1876, the son of sion he was obliged to differ with Filippo and Virginia (Graziosi) an officer of the revolutionary Parelli. He was christened two militia who, while he spoke levdays later in the Church of Saints eled his pistol at the Nuncio's

The days of revolution were He was born into an aristy succeeded by the regranization eratic Roman family whose merid of the former German Empire bers had long rendered faithful inder the Weimar Constitution, service to the Holy See. Both his leading to improved relations beand grandfather had tween the Vatican in Germany. served the Vactican in official An Apostolic Nuncialure was esposts. His brother was also to tablished in Berlin, of which become prominent in the affairs Archbishop Pacelli was the first become prominent in the amairs are no race in oas the fifth Church, acting as the chief Nunclo, and two concordats were Vatican negotiator of the treatles concluded, one with Bavaria in that solved the Roman Question 1925 and the other with Prussia in 1929. The Nuncio also began

About to begin his university litical, social and intellectual, as courses, he decided instead to be- well as the religious, life of Gorcome a priest and entered the many, Indeed, it was his concern with these aspects of the nation's. able to remain there only a year, elements of his success there. His States. Not only was his trip here however, because delicate health thorough knowledge of the German made community life too difficulty to differ the difference of the man large than the was Papal Secretary of the was Papal Secretary man language, moreover, won him the esteem of the people and to his family and followed as a made the publication of his major day student the courses of the speeches an important literary event. So enduring were his popcal University. In 1899 he received ularity and prestige throughout doctorates in philosophy and the country that on his 75th birthday in 1951 Munich renamed one of its main streets Pacelli al affection for America and its Congress. There he was conduct, the Vational Carbon But the Ciark applied at the headquarters of rathered and the President Plus XII named five American Church in this country. Repeat. called at the headquarters of rathered the President Plus XII named five American Church in this country. Repeat. called at the headquarters of rathered the U.S to main. Cardinals, more than any other country that on his 75th birthday in 1951 Munich renamed to the Cardinals of the Cardinals. The Cardinals of th Strasse, as Berlin had done in

Archbishop Pacelli was recalled coat-of-arms as a Prince of the Church "Opus Justiciae Pax" words carved over the entrance of his old parish church, the Chiesa

SECRETARY OF STATE

nal Gasparri. One of his first acts as Secretary was to negotiate an agreement with the Italian government regarding the interpretation of the 1929 Concordat, thus eliminating dissensions that had arisen for a time with the Mussolini regime.

The Cardinal was sent as Papal zen raised to sainthood, gress in Buenos Aires and in was also marked by his appointtween the death of a Pope and the election of his successor the Cardinal-Camerlengo is the head to direct preparations for the Con-

direct the Vatican's relief work: United States during October, were made in South Bend; Chi-1936. His airplane trip from New soldiers. It was an unhappy aug America. While in this country Bay Bridge; Los Angeles; St. ury of the work he was later to he was received not only by the Louis and Cincinnati. Before re-When the Apostolic Nunciature Cardinals, personally met most of Louis Universities, met most of in Bavaria, the Holy See's organ the American Hierarchy and was the American Hierarchy and glvseen by thousands of the lally en a number of major addresses. Germany, became vacant in 1917. He inspected many educational institutions, receiving honorary. to fill the post. He was named degrees from four universities. York headquarters took him to Titular Archbishop of Sardi in After his return to Rome he said Boston, where he visited Cardinal April and consecrated in the Sisthat his travels in the U.S. had O'Connell; to Philaledphia, where tine Chapel by Benedict XV on left one of the deepest impres. Cardinal Dougherty took him on

> He was again sent to France in ington. July, 1937, as Legate to the blessin honor of St. Theresa. While (Continued on Page 35)



Pope Pius XII was welcomed to his summer home/at / astelgandolfo, fifteen miles from Rome, just two months

ago by the village mayor. Pontiff was then in apparent

First Pope To See U. S.

Although preoccupled with diplomatic duties, the Nuncio always kept himself informed on the poRept himself informed on the po-

Of all the Popes, Plus XII has was awarded another honor on retired and

conferred by the Holy Father on the Church in the United States was his appointment in March. 1958, of the late Cardinal Samuel Stritch. Archbishop of Chicago, as Pro-Prefect of the Sacred Conthe Faith. Cardmal Stritch was day before. the first U.S. born prelate ever named to serve as a cardinal of the Roman Curia, which handles

was marked by closer relations ited American entray, Joseph P. nouncing that he would submit In February, 1930, less than between the Holy See and the Kennedy, then United States Amountains in a later date, But

> Cardinals than any other Pontiff, appointed the full-time personal tions Americans at the Vatican than served in that capacity for ten XII received more Americans at any of his predecessors and canonized the first United States citi-

COAST TO COAST

April, 1935, to the ceremonies at in October, 1936, the future Pope, When he landed in New York Lourdes ending the Holy Year then Cardinal Eugenio Pacelli, proclaimed by Pius XI to com- told the more than 50 reporters who covered his arrival: "I am undeed happy to find myself with. ment as Camerlengo of the Holy who know how to unite so beautifully and nobly a sense of discipline and the exercise of a just, legitimate and well ordered

The most spectacular event of the Cardinal's stay here was his dramatic 8,000-mile flight from Most notable of the Cardinal's turn in only six days. During his many voyages was his tour of the coast to coast trip major stops eago, where he was the guest of York to the Pacific Coast and Cardinal Mundelein; St. Paul; back was unprecedented in the San Francisco, where he blessed visits of world dignitaries to the new San-Francisco-Oakland highest religious authorities, but turning to New York Cardinal also the civil, including the Presi- Pacelli had received honorary de-

Other excursions from his New sions of his life and that he would a tour of the city. Including a stop always have the warmest memory at Independence Hall, whose tower bell was rung as he entered; to Baltimore and to Wash.

In Washington, in the course of one day, he fulfilled a schedule Its purpose was not only to end at a dinner given by President would attempt. He gave three speeches: at Catholic University;

(N.C.W.C. News Service). Georgetown University, where he years restances in 1970 He was the Vatican than any Pontiff be-

Perhaps the outstanding-honor the most distinctished tistors

Shortly before his departure for order of Church and State Rome, Cardinal Parelli was the luncheon goest of President Park, where he congutulated the

U.S. VATICAN

The coronation of Pope Pinc the administrative husiness of XII in 1939 less than there was after his visit to the lighted

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est seminary in Rome. He was life that was one of the main the closest ties with the United degree; and at a luncheon given In the toler 1951 however, Press thousands of American troops

State the first ever made by a function under non-Cathotic aus based or to the Holy See, thus received many thousands of Holy his Pontificate was also notable also motored to George Washing I clores with the Vation for the States in 1950. for many signal honors to the ten's home at Mount Vernon and hast tiple so a loss. It is in the ed on a complete tour of the heald. Foundment immediately real lead ing, an honor reserved for only forth a thon or of protests, with College, Red Hals were bestoned

Reserved at his home in 11sde 1981 healty with I thereful New York. Thus, for a short pe gregation for the Propagation of President on his re-election the Albeit arms that identical Rome and Glennon in 1946, there were in 1941, was still on active mills five Americans in the Sacred Coltary service at the time of his lege for the first time in history. nomination as ambassador and At the 1953 Consistory the Holy, did not want to resign from the Father gave the United States his Army, He was therefore, locally fifth Prince of the Church. His an quadified trom holding a diplo- Eminence James Francis Cardi-States, was the first such event dent to withdraw his nomination. first Cardinal to represent a West madic post and asked the Presi- nal McIntyre of Los Angeles, the In the diplomatic field his reign attended by an officially accred President Truman did so, an Cuast Sec. two months after his elevation to United States than had existed bassador to Great Britain, was no other person was ever narred the Sacred College, Cardinal Passform and decades, although for sent to the Validan as the Let to till the appointment and the celli was named Papal Secretary mal diplomatic relations were sonal representative of President Senate never had an opportunity to confirm or reject the resurring He riamed more American In 1940 Myron C. Toylor was tron of Vatican-American rela-

AMERICANS IN ROME

After he became Pope, Pius States.



Pope Pius XII at prayer for his world wide flock

ences he granted to hundreds of

Plus XII named five American mins Protestants of timing that it on Their Eminences John Cardl-Abharol the Constitutional segur. mal Glennon of St. Louis, Edward E Cardinal Mooney of Detroit, Sam nel Cardinal Stritch of Chicago. The contractsy it caused was and Francis Cardinal Spellman of Chirk what it commanded the riod prior to the death of Cardi-

LOVE FOR AMERICA

During his Pontificate Plus XII showed his great affection for the United States on many occasions.

The second Encyclical letter of his reign, Sertum Lactitiae, was devoted to the progress and problems of the Church in the United

can citizen raised to sainthood when he elevated St. Frances Navier Cabrini to the honors of

He spoke to American Catholles in a number of special English-language radio broadcasts, including his series of annual Lenten addresses to the country's school children.

During 1954 the Holy Father slead of Latin in the United States in certain parts of the ceremonies of Baptism, Marriage, Exblessings. This permission was granted at the request of the American Hierarchy.

MET PRESIDENTS

and talked with four men who occupied the presidency of the United States: Franklin D. Roosevelt, Herbert Hoover, Harry S. Truman, and Dwight D. Eisen-

As Eugenio Cardinal Pacelli, Papal Secretary of State, the Pope called on President Roosevelt at the latter's home in Hyde Park, N.Y., in 1936 during an unofficial visit.

The Holy Father named 133 American Archilshops and Bish. ops, or more than half of the present American Hierarchy. In addition he named several either American Bishops and sent them 1953, January 12—Created 24 new to serve in foreign nations.

During his reign the number of Catholics in the U.S. rose from 21,407,000 to 31,648,000, an increase of more than 10,000,000 or 1954, 48 per cent, more than twice the rate of growth of the country's total population in the same 1957, September 8—Issued Ency. 1958, October 6—Suffered cerepericid.

Encyclical Letters Of Pope Pius XII

SUMMI PONTIFICATUS, October 20, 1939-On the function of the state in the mordern world. This letter called for unity in opposting world evils and denounced "two pernicious errors." racism and statism

ERTUM LAETITIATE, November 1, 1939-To the Cardinals and Bishops of the United States on the 150th anniversary of the establishment of the hierarchy in the United States The progress of the Church was praised and American Catholics were urged to adhere more strictly to Catholic life and principles.

SAECILO EXELNTE OCTAVO, June 18, 1940 To the Bishops of Portugal and its colonies urging greater effort in the field of the Apostolic Missions.

MYSTICT CORPORIS CHRISTI, June 29, 1943- Redefined the concept of the Mystical Body of Jesus Christ as revealed by St. Paul and outlined the means of our union in it, with Him

DIVINO AFFLANTE SPIRITU, September 80, 1948-On the most opportune way to promote Biblical studies. The remedy for problems of modern society could be found by studying the ORIENTALIS ECCLESIAE DECUS, April 23, 1944-On 15th century of the death of St. Cyril of Alexandria. The Eastern

Church and its past and future as part of the Roman Catholic Church was outlined. *COMMUNIUM INTERPRETES DOLORUM, April 18, 1948-To the

Bishops of the world, appealing for prayers for peace. ORIENTALES OMNES ECCLESIAS, December 23, 1945-On the 350th anniversary of the reunion of the Ruthenian Church with the Holy See. The Holy Father deplored the Communist persecution of the Eastern Rite Catholics and warned they were being forced into schism.

QUEMADMODUM, January 6, 1946—Appeal for care of the world's

FULGENS RADIATUR March 21, 1947—On the 14th century of the death of St. Benedict of Nyrsia. The need for the restoration of the Abbey of Monte Cassino, destroyed in World Wir II, to serve as a symbol of faith in an unstable world.

EDIATOR DEI, November 20/1947—On Sacred Liturgy, An attempt to secure and to inculcate all that is good in the liturgical movement and to delete the unsound principles and profices, OPTATISSIMA PAX, December 10, 1947-Prescribing/public

prayers for social order and world peace. AUSPICIA QUAEDAM, May 1, 1948—Concerning public/prayers

for peace in Palestine to be offered during the month of May IN MULTIPLICIBUS, October 23, 1948—A renewed play for public supplication for peace in Palestine. The internationalization of Jerusalem was proposed as well as a guarantee for free access to the Holy Places for all Christians.

REDEMPTORIS NOSTRI, April 15, 1949-A third request for protection of Christian rights in a proposed Internationalization of

NNI SACRI, March 12, 1950-A call for public prayer for a renewal of Christian customs and peace among nations. Ways to

over-time atheism and arms race condemned. E'MMI MAERORIS, July 19, 1950—A renewed call for prayers for world poure and concord among peoples.

man who later became Pope, but pices during his stay here. He establishmus formal diplomante re. Year pilgrims from the United HUMANI GENERIS, August 12,1950. Concerning some false opinions which tended to undermine the feaching authority of the Church. Attempts to minimize the importance of dogma in an attempt to make Catholic teaching more acceptable to non-Catholics were warned against,

necessive of man-10 the Bishops of the world. An appeal for anothe crusade of prayer for peace. The horrors of war were cited.

VANGELII PRAECONES, June 11, 1931 - On promoting Catholic Missions. An increase in missionary effort throughout the would, increase in native clergy and missionary vocations in general, cited.

EMPITERNUS REX, September 8, 1951-On the 15th centenary of the Council of Chalcedon. This was a general call for Christion rounon in the struggle against the enemies of Christ, and a particular appeal to those oriental sects adhering to Mono-Physitism (one nature) to return to Roman Catholicism.

NGRUENTH'M MALORUM, September 15, 1951 On advancing ills. To the Bishops of the world to intensify traditional rosary devotions in October. In particular, family recitation of the resary to obtain world peace.

ORIENTALES ECCLESIAS, December 15, 1952 On Communist. persecution of the Church Call for prayers for the persecuted

DOCTOR MELLEFIAUS, June 6, 1953 - On the 8th centerary of the death of St. Bernard of Clairvaux. A return to Divine Charity and application of the writings of St. Bernard as a remedy for present day smeal mile.

FULGENS CORONA, September 26, 1953-On centenary of defini tion of the Dogma of the Immaculate Conception. December, 1953 to December, 1954 to be observed as a Marian Year,

He canonized the first Ameri SACRA VIRGINITAS, March 25, 1954-On the sublimity of celibate state and the error of advocation of marriage as a higher state.

ECCLESIAE FASTOS, June 5, 1954. On the 12th centenary of death of St. Eoniface, Bishop and Martyr. His attachment and fidelity to the Holy See, his great mission work in Europe and his establishment of monasteries are cited.

AD SINARUM GENTUM, October 7, 1954 Warned Catholics of Communist efforts to lead them into schism under the pretense of patriotism to Catholics in China. AD CAELI REGINAM, October 11, 1945 -- Proclaimed the title and

a new feast of Mary, Queen. permitted the use of English in MUSICAE SACRAE DISCIPLINA, December 25, 1955—Stressed the

importance of popular hymns for fostering plety and arousing freme Unction and a number of MIRANDA PRORSUS, Remarkable Inventions, September 5, 1957 On motion pictures, radio and television

AD APOSTOLORUM PRINCIPIS, June 29, 1958-Denouncing Red efforts to drive the Church's China Into schism and condemning the illicit consecration of bishops there.

During his reign the Pope met MEMINISAE JUVAT, Most Mindfully Recalling, July 14, 1958-Prayers for the persecuted Church.

Encyclical Epistle rather than encyclical letter.

Encyclical Letter-Addressed to all the Bishops and ordinaries in Communion with the Apostolic See on matters predominantly doctrinal in character.

Encyclical Epistle-A papal circular having the character of an exhortation concerning particular events, needs, or devotions.

Highlights Of Life

(Continued from Page 18) and liberalizing Eucharistic

Cardinals at Consistory 1953, September 8-Issued Ency clical fetter proclaiming 1954 Marian Year

Oclober II-Proclaimed feast of Queenship of Mary in Encyclical clical. Miranda Proraus, on

motion pictures, radio and television.

1958, June 29 Issued Encyclical, Ad Apostolorum Principis, denouncing Red efforts to drive Church in China into schism.

1958, July 14—Issued Encyclical, Meminisse Juvat, asking prayers for the persecuted church. bral circulatory disturbance.

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