



Sacred Heart Cathedral is now a consecrated church — irrevocably dedicated to the service of God. The three hour rite Wednesday morning included medieval pageantry, rituals centuries old and dramatic music. The consecration ceremony highlighted the Cathedral's fiftieth anniversary. Pictures show procession with chest containing relics of St. Lawrence and Jesuit martyrs of North America, anointing of doors and crosses with holy oils. Additional pictures and story are on pages two, three and five.

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'Thy Kingdom Come' Our Daily Prayer

My dear People,

When Pope Pius XI instituted today's feast, the feast of Christ the King, he linked it intimately with the Sacred Heart of Jesus. The Apostleship of Prayer in its efforts to increase devotion to that Sacred Heart had chosen "Thy Kingdom come" as its motto. That kingdom over which Christ is King is described in today's preface as "a kingdom eternal and universal, a kingdom of truth and light, a kingdom of holiness and grace, a kingdom of justice, of love and of peace."



For the spread of that kingdom, His Holiness called for the public dedication of the human race to the Sacred Heart by a special prayer, and the litany of the Sacred Heart, recited before the King of Kings on His sacramental throne. In short, it was to the heart of the King that His Holiness urged our special devotion.

We do well to keep this association in mind today. This great feast should serve as an inspiration to all of us to renew our devotion to the Sacred Heart to whom our entire diocese is dedicated. That devotion finds its expression in our morning offering, our Communions of reparation, our Holy Hours and our First Friday Devotions.

Thus our devotion to Christ the King will never be limited to this great feast, it will be renewed every morning of our lives in the devout recitation of our morning offering.

"Oh Jesus, through the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I offer Thee my prayers, works, joys and sufferings of this day, for all the intentions of Thy Sacred Heart, in union with the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass throughout the world, in reparation for my sins, for the intentions of all our associates and for the reunion of Christendom."

"Jesus meek and humble of heart,
Make our hearts like unto thine."

Your devoted Shepherd in Christ,

+ James E. Kearney

Bishop of Rochester

This letter of Bishop Kearney will be read at Masses throughout the Diocese this Sunday, the feast of Christ the King. All parishes will schedule special devotions this Sunday in observance of the feast. Following is a special article by Father Louis J. Hohman, diocesan director of the Apostleship of Prayer.

Christ the King's Battle for Souls

The letter of our Bishop to his people on the Feast of Christ the King reads like a rallying call of a general to his troops.

The kingdom of Christ is today embattled. It stands encircled by its enemies on every side—its open enemies who have dedicated themselves to the extinction of religion from the face of the earth; its more subtle but no less dangerous enemies who say that modern science has destroyed the need of a God; its enemies who are such by mere indifference to spiritual values, for "he who is not with me is against me" and its enemies who worship at the shrine of material prosperity.

THE FEAST of Christ the King, says the Bishop, is the great reminder of our call to arms. By the Sacrament of Confirmation we are soldiers of Jesus Christ whose sacred duty it is to fight His battles in the world in which we live.

And our principal weapon more powerful in its ability to change the course of history than a multi-megaton bomb is

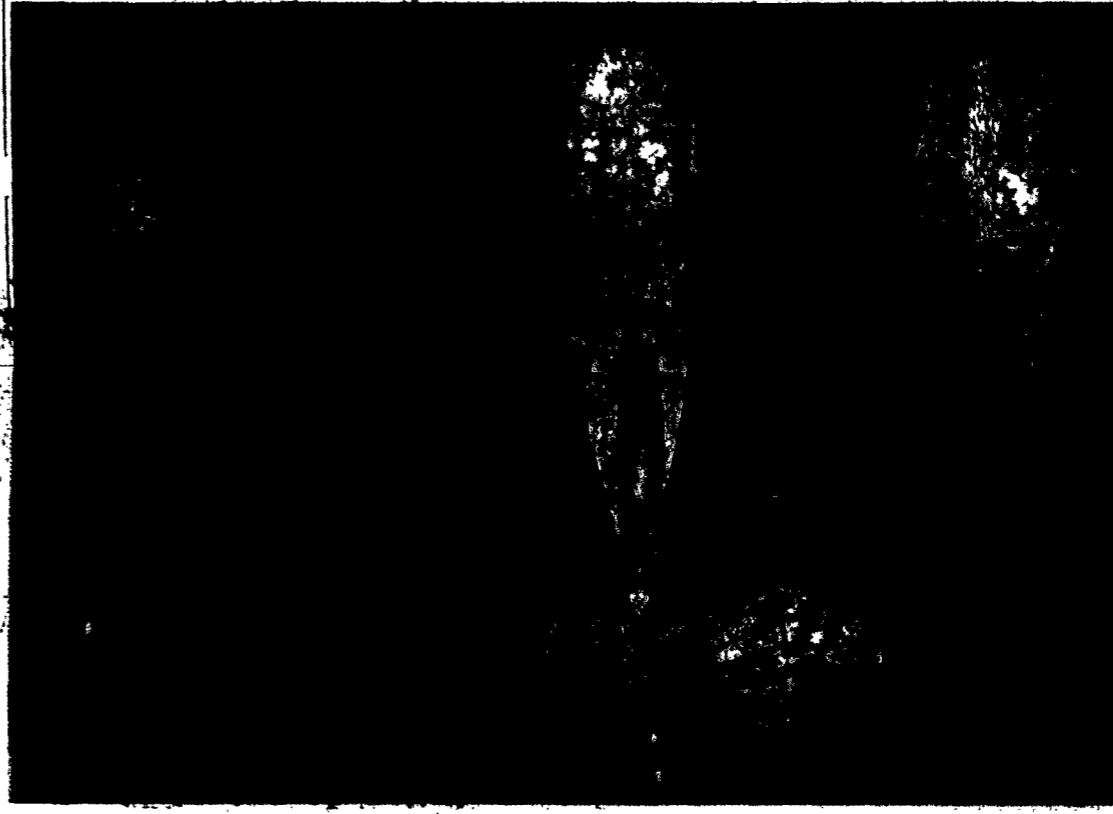
the love that Jesus Christ came to give the world.

Thus does the Bishop, following the lead of Pope Pius XI, connect devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus with our allegiance to Christ the King—"Christus vincit—Christus conquert" but only on the condition that Divine Love rather than radioactive fallout penetrates the very lifeblood of the members of Christ's Mystical Body.

Our King's enemies will prosper and prevail as long as the love of Christ falters or languishes in the hearts of men, for WE are the heartbeat of Jesus' Mystical Body.

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Moscow, Partner In Quest For Unity?



An ancient Christian symbol — a boat with a cross for a sail — represents a great present day goal, world religious unity. The symbolic boat indented theme of a three day meeting at Seneca Falls where Orthodox priest Father George Grabbe, Presbyterian minister Kenneth Holmstrup and Episcopalian layman Dr. Paul Anderson spoke on current unity projects.

Is Soviet propaganda or sincere Christian faith the motive behind the Russian Orthodox Church's bid for membership in the World Council of Churches?

Protestant and Orthodox leaders voiced sharply different opinions at a meeting held this week in Seneca Falls.

To hear these opinions and interview the participants for this special Courier Journal article, Monsignor Charles V. Boyle and Father Henry Atwell attended two of the sessions at the three day meeting.

EPISCOPALIAN layman Dr. Paul B. Anderson, a pioneer worker in inter-church programs, described his 1956 visit to Russia to initiate World Council of Churches' contact with clergy in the shadow of the Kremlin. He also described his visit to Rhodes this summer where he had personal conversations with Archbishop Nikodim of Moscow and other Orthodox churchmen.

Dr. Anderson stated his conviction that this prelate and other clerics in Soviet Russia are "witnesses to the ancient faith" despite nearly fifty years of Communist persecution.

He said Russian clergy he met on both his 1956 and 1961 trips expressed eagerness for contact with Christians of Europe.

He admitted the danger of tensions—as exemplified in the United Nations—in the World Council's meetings if the Russian Church is admitted to membership.

Dr. Anderson, however, urged admission for the Russians despite the hazards. "The walls which divide us don't go up to heaven," he said, "we are divided only here on earth and we should welcome every step toward cutting down these barriers."

A Russian born priest disagreed with Dr. Anderson's

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Swiss Pray For Council

Fribourg — (RNS) — Switzerland's eight Roman Catholic bishops issued a joint appeal here for Catholics to pray for the Third Assembly of the World Council of (Protestant and Orthodox) Churches which opens in New Delhi, India, Nov. 18.

"When we pray thus one for another it is impossible that the Lord should not aid us better to understand each other so as better to serve Him and better to find Him again in truth through charity," the message concluded.

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No Hurry To Throw Out Icons

Kremlin Still Atheistic

Nikita Khrushchev voiced a population, especially young, prayer to God and then stated his Communist Party will keep up its relentless war against religion.

The puzzling Kremlin double talk was part of the opening address of Mr. Khrushchev's report of developments in the Soviet Union and the world situation since the 20th party congress in 1956.

His prayer that "God may grant we never have to explode such a bomb" as the 100 megaton device previously announced as "ready" by Soviet scientists was followed by the Premier's plea for better atheism in Russia.

An article published in Pravda, official party newspaper, on the eve of the congress had the same message. It was written by a leading Soviet editor who warned Russian atheists not to be in too much of a hurry to "close the churches and throw out the icons."

Mr. Khrushchev spoke before 4,800 Soviet delegates and members of 83 foreign delegations in the new modern aluminum and steel Palace of Congresses that stands amid ancient, world-famous Orthodox churches inside the Kremlin's wall.

In the course of his address, which lasted six and a half hours, he stressed the necessity of a "thorough and good system of atheistic upbringing that has to embrace all groups of the

population, especially youngsters."

His remarks on religion were not mentioned in the condensed version of his speech transmitted by Tass, the Soviet press agency, which concentrated instead on Mr. Khrushchev's report of developments in the Soviet Union and the world situation since the 20th party congress in 1956.

However, a Moscow Radio broadcast reported him as having devoted "a lengthy passage to the waging of a war against the remnants of capitalist ideologies" including "religion. It quoted him as saying:

liberation from religious beliefs, prejudices and superstitions, which still hinder Soviet men and women in making full use of their creative capacities."

The Soviet Premier was scheduled also to make another long speech when the new party program was presented for adoption by the congress. The program contains a lengthy paragraph which calls for a continued fight against both "religion and clericalism."

Clericalism, it said, is "assuming a growing importance in the political and ideological arsenal of imperialism" and has become influential in all countries where religion and the Church occupy a "dominant role in state, public and cultural spheres."

The party program stressed, however, that it was not necessary to go to "passionate extremes" in exposing the "baselessness of religious beliefs."

This was the theme also of the article in Pravda which appeared under the signature of F. Oleschuk, deputy chief of the magazine, Science and Religion.

He described the position of some anti-religious propagandists who, he said, "seek the quick elimination of religious superstitions and even suggest closing the churches and throwing out the icons."

"These methods are wrong and not good for party propaganda," the writer declared. "New, mild methods are necessary."

Focus On Schools

Washington — (NC) — Catholic schools across the country will sponsor observances of Catholic Education Week, November 5 to 11.

"Inalienable Rights are the Gift of God" will be the theme of the week designed to make parents more familiar with their children's Catholic school. The observance will be part of American Education Week.

Pontiff's 80th Birthday

Pope John will celebrate his 80th birthday and third anniversary of his coronation as head of the Catholic Church Saturday, Nov. 4. Solemn Mass for his welfare will be celebrated at Sacred Heart Cathedral on that date at 11 a.m.

Funds Segregate Refugee Pupils

Washington—(NC)—The federal government will give \$1,500,000 to Miami area public schools next September to support education of Cuban refugee children.

But it will give no assistance to parochial or other private schools which have assumed the burden of caring for numerous Cuban youngsters. About 3,000 are in Catholic schools.

Birthday Greetings

Abraham Ribicoff, Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare, announced the allocation of \$1,500,000 in support to Dade County public elementary and secondary schools.

The funds, he said, will be used to help reimburse Dade County for the cost of required classroom construction and operation, for counseling and guidance services and for other assistance to about 10,000 Cuban children.

The federal government has ruled out helping Catholic and other private schools which enroll "refugee children."

Church-State separation was given as the reason for the ex-

clusion by William L. Mitchell, Commissioner of the Social Security Administration and director of the Federal government's Cuban refugee relief efforts.

Mitchell said "it was fully recognized that the parochial school system of Miami was suffering a very severe burden."

Florida School Superintendent Thomas D. Bailey and Dade County Superintendent of Schools Joe Hall, however, disagreed with the federal government and in February said in a report that Federal aid should be extended to cover the Cuban children in parochial schools.

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