



MONSIGNOR SULLIVAN

Penn Yan Pastor's Jubilee

Monsignor Joseph J. Sullivan, pastor of St. Michael's Church, Penn Yan, and St. Andrew's Church, Dundee, will mark his silver jubilee in the priesthood at a solemn Mass in his Penn Yan church Sunday, Sept. 29, at 10:30 a.m.

He was ordained by Bishop Kearney in Sacred Heart Cathedral Sept. 24, 1938.

He is pastor of the parish he served at first following his ordination. Later he was assistant pastor at the Cathedral and then joined the U.S. armed forces in World War II as an Air Force Chaplain.

MONSIGNOR SULLIVAN held important assignments in his country, India and Germany and attained the rank of major. He then became the first full-time correspondent of NCWC News Service in Rome and reported on some of the Church's most important events for Americans.

Pope-Pius XII honored him with the rank of papal chamberlain and the title Very Rev. Monsignor in 1953. Two years later Monsignor Sullivan returned to this Diocese and was named pastor of Holy Cross Church, Ovid, and Sacred Heart Church, Romulus. He was named to his present pastorate in 1958.

He is the son of Mrs. John J. Sullivan and the late Mr. Sullivan of 79 Kron St., Rochester. He attended St. Monica's school, St. Andrew's and St. Bernard's seminaries.

A RECEPTION in his honor will be held at St. Michael's church hall, Penn Yan, this Sunday from 4 to 6 p.m.

Assisting him at his jubilee Mass will be Rt. Rev. Messrs. Arthur J. Ratigan, deacon, and his brother, Rev. Leo A. Sullivan of Waverly, Ohio, subdeacon. Rt. Rev. Messrs. Edward K. Hall will preach the sermon.

Vatican Says Reds Admit 'Moral Forces'

Vatican City (RNS)—Alexei I. Adzhubel, Russian editor and son-in-law of Premier Khrushchev, visited the late Pope John XXIII last March as part of a new Kremlin policy to turn events to its own advantage, Observatore Della Domenica, Vatican City weekly paper, said here.

This statement was made in reply to recent comments by Adzhubel, editor of the Soviet government organ Izvestia, that the Vatican is advocating peace programs because of Pope John's influence and that of "socialism upon the world outlook of millions of people."

The real reason for the visit to Pope John, the Vatican weekly held, was that the Communists have been forced to recognize the moral authority of the Church.

"Kremlin rulers have realized also that moral forces and especially the Church—even though they have no divisions—have a weight that cannot be neglected," it said. This was a reference to the contemptuous remark of Stalin, "How many divisions has the Pope?"

"Thus it is wise (for the Russians) to take them (moral forces) into consideration, to study them, to seize every advantage that situations offer and turn them into an advantage," the paper said.

Pope Pledges 'Reform' To Meet Needs of Times

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though remembered that the Second Vatican Council was the first meeting of the Catholic bishops of the world in nearly a century.

Time was needed to understand, first of all, the simple purpose Pope John had in mind in calling the Council. Time was needed, too, for the bishops to appreciate the varying views and the different experiences of their fellow bishops of other cultures and other countries. Time was needed for a growing realization that the three-year work of the preparatory commission was largely out of focus with the proper objectives and needs of the Catholic Church in the 20th Century and would have to be radically redone.

At the rate of the discussions of the first session, it is estimated that it would have taken the Council 32 years to get through the agenda, the schema, submitted to it.

The work of revision is far from complete but the editorial process of rejection, omission, compression, collating and combining has reduced the original 70 schemata now to 17.

Administrative changes have been introduced. With the addition on August 24 of Cardinals Stefan Wyszynski of Poland, Giuseppe Siri of Italy and Albert Gregory Meyer of the United States to the Presidium, that body now numbers twelve. Cardinal Pla y Deniel of Spain having resigned because of ill health, the Presidium seems destined, however, to play a largely honorific role in the coming session.

In a letter to Eugene Cardinal Tisserant, dean of the Sacred College, on Sept. 12, Pope Paul indicated that he is assigning four cardinals to serve each day in turn as chairmen of the "deliberative moderators" (deliberare moderatores) of the sessions.

The four cardinals are Leo Joseph Suenens, a Belgian; Julius Döpfner, a German; Giacomo Lercaro, an Italian; and Gregory Peter XV Agagianian, an Armenian who in the Curia is charged with the care of missions. The first three are clearly identified with the aims and aspirations of Pope John.

It will be their function, it seems clear, to keep the sessions of the Council on a clear service in Rome and reported on some of the Church's most important events for Americans.

The former Commission for Extraordinary Affairs has been abolished. The enlarged Coordinating Commission, constituted after the first session and now enlarged to sixteen, with the addition of Cardinals Agagianian, Francesco Roberti (an Italian) and Lercaro, will presumably supervise the agenda, making sure that the material represents the will of the bishops.

It has been announced that the first topic to be discussed

will be "The Church, a schema taken up at the first session and referred back for basic revision."

Relations with non-Catholic Christians will be taken up by a commission headed by Archbishop Martin O'Connor, rector of the North American College, Scranton, Pa. He will be assisted by a bishop from each linguistic group and a corps of qualified personnel.

The fifty in this present of representatives of international Catholic organizations, and selected experts, including, according to present rumors, two women will be invited to the Council. Pope Paul told Cardinal Tisserant in his letter, "An enlarged group of Protestant delegate-observers is expected."

The visit of Metropolitan Nicodemus of the Russian Orthodox Church to Rome Paul said in the month and his gesture of leaving flowers at the grave of John XXIII after reciting a prayer from the Orthodox ritual foreshadowed the assignment of representatives of the Russian Church. Participation of other Eastern Orthodox Churches was to be decided at a meeting at Rhodes beginning Sept. 25.

The tasks confronting the Second Vatican Council are more and more clearly as prodigious.

In a radio address early this month Archbishop Marcello González of Saragossa, Spain, concluded that the second session at best could only hope to cover the following schemata: The Church; The Authority of The Church; The Apostolicity of The Church; The Priesthood of The Church; and "If there is time, Ecumenism. Well placed to appreciate the problems, the Council cannot end with the second session, he added. "A third session will be needed."

Human Body Sacred Pope Tells Surgeons

Vatican City (RNS)—Pope Paul VI stressed the sacredness of the human body at an audience attended by a group of surgeons.

"The flesh of man whose biological and physical secret you explore is sacred," the pontiff told the physicians. "Human life is inseparably linked with the thought of God, for man has been made in His image."

More than that, when grace sanctifies the man, his body is not simply the instrument and organ of his soul, but the mysterious temple of the Holy Ghost. God is in it."

The Pope received delegates to the 20th International Congress on Surgery and to the Congress of Cardiac-Vascular Surgery in Rome.

and, as far as I can see, a fourth and perhaps a fifth."

Opinion here doubts that a possible third session will be held before the fall of 1964, complications arising from the absence of the bishops from their dioceses for too long a time making a spring meeting improbable.

Here it might be recalled that Paul-Emile Cardinal Léger of Montreal has remarked that the Council will never come to an end in the sense that the needs of the Church and the facility of modern travel make possible regular meetings every few years at least of the representative archbishops and bishops from different parts of the world in extended consultation in Rome with the Pope.

An awareness of the tasks of the time is reflected in all of the remarks of the new pontiff. "The world is passing through a period of gigantic changes. The Church cannot remain indifferent and alienated. The times summon us. We cannot hesitate."

Meeting these contemporary challenges does not mean reversing condemnations of evil such as, for example, atheistic Marxism, Paul VI told the 15th annual Italian Congress of Pastoral Theology on Sept. 6. "An effort to apply effective and speedy remedies to a contagious and dangerous illness does not mean changing one's opinions of it."

His Holiness declared, "but neither combat it, nor merely theoretically but also practically. That means to follow up the diagnosis with a proper therapy and that means to follow up a condemnation of a doctrine with a demonstration of a saving charity."

Such an attitude is currently drawing cautious comment from Communist leaders.



Christ On The Waters

Port Arthur, Tex. — (RNS) — A statue of Christ in a Port Arthur, Tex., cemetery stands above flood waters following Hurricane Cindy. The floods brought on by rains spawned by the hurricane, inundated low-lying communities along the Texas coastal area and drove families from their homes.

By remarked: "Paul VI constantly repeats that he is following the teaching of John XXIII but he is not applying 20 bishops and about of that." Alexei Adzhubel, the Soviet country invited to the Council for the Third World Congress of Journalists, was extravagant in his praise of Pope John but added that it is "too early to make a judgment on Paul VI."

Asked if he proposed to visit the new Pope, Adzhubel seemed to be invited. Believe me, there's the whole question."

In the meanwhile, Pope Paul has written to Georgetown Catholics for the 1,000th anniversary of the arrival of St. Cyril and Methodius in their country, expressing the hope to be able to see their bishops at the Council. A letter with a great means for peace."

UN Hears Prayer, Praise for Pope

United Nations — (RNS) — Although the U.N. General Assembly opened its 18th session with the customary moment of silent prayer or meditation, its newly-elected President, Dr. Carlos Rossa Rodriguez, began and ended his acceptance speech with a prayer for divine aid.

The United Nations jurist, Venezuela, representing the U.N. since 1958, told delegates from 110 nations he prayed that "the Almighty will make me worthy of the confidence you have placed in me."

In closing, he invoked "Divine Providence to enlighten our minds and to unify our efforts so that, thus inspired and guided, we may bring to a happy conclusion our appointed task of maintaining peace, promoting justice and promoting the progress and well-being of mankind."

Dr. Rodriguez referred his colleagues to the "words of Pope John XXIII in the Encyclical of Peace in Terra (Peace on Earth)" in which the late pontiff described the U.N. as "necessary to strengthen peace and insure a better future for mankind."

The new General Assembly chief confided that he drew his inspiration from the late Pope John's expressed hope that "the United Nations might become a more equal to the magni-

lode and nobility of its task, and that the day may come when every human being will find in it an effective safeguard for the rights which derive directly from his dignity as a person and which are, therefore, universal, inviolable and inalienable rights."

He pointed out that in the U.N. Charter are to be found the traditional principles of the peoples of the Americas—the principle of self-determination of people, the principle of equality of all men without distinction as to race, color, nationality or religion.

With all its shortcomings in implementation, the U.N. Charter today, he said, established the obligation to seek the solution of international disputes by peaceful means.

Dr. Rodriguez was elected unanimously, receiving support from 99 of 110 nations. It is not voting under the rotation plan of selecting General Assembly presidents. It was the turn for a Latin American representative. Dr. Rodriguez succeeds Pakistani Ambassador Zafarullah Khan, a noted advocate of Islamic religion.

Papal Voice Spans Ocean By Telstar

New York — (NC) — Pope Paul VI in a live telecast yesterday via Telstar helped launch the 17th anniversary celebration of the oldest Catholic college in the United States, Georgetown University.

Pope Paul noted that Georgetown, a Jesuit school in Washington, D.C., was founded in 1789, the same year that the U.S. Constitution was ratified.

"So it is that the Church, ever interested in inculcating in the youth of a nation the religious and civil principles upon which society and national life are based, has been present in the noble work of education right from the beginning of your Republic," he said.

The Pope spoke on September 26, his 65th birthday. He remarked that the day is also the feast of the North American Martyrs, Jesuit missionaries who lost their lives in the American missions in the 17th century.

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The telecast was picked up from the Telstar communications satellite by the NBC network's "Today" show (between 7:30 and 8 a.m.) and by other programs.

Congratulating both the university and the nation on the double anniversary—Georgetown and the Constitution—the Pope noted that many Georgetown graduates hold posts of responsibility and leadership in society.

He emphasized that the university's "greatest contribution" has been in instilling sound moral principles in its students and preparing them for healthy family life.

Pope Paul gave his blessing to the faculty, alumni and students of Georgetown and to all U.S. Catholics.

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