

**Pope Paul Charts
His Own Course**

To be or not to be, that is the question... the words of perplexed Hamlet roll from the stage these days in New York City.

The more significant question, however, is whether a real-life Hamlet perhaps wears the tiara of the papacy in Rome.

For one full year, the world and its largest religious group, the Catholic Church, has lived with "papillismo" — the Italian word for the reign of Pope Paul VI.

First reports about the new pontiff described him as "Pope John, twenty years younger and with a brain for administrative efficiency." Later reports dubbed him "another Pius XII." By autumn there was talk that he was a Hamlet, indecisive, unable to come to a definite conclusion — or a Lincoln, clear in his goals but frustrated in attaining them.

The simple truth of the matter is that Pope Paul isn't John or Pius, Hamlet or Lincoln.

He is Pope Paul, a new pope, a different man, and for those who have little, he's God's choice to be shepherd not only of half a billion souls already within the Vatican's fold but also of the two and a half billion "other sheep" who need to be brought to their destined unity.

Admittedly Pope John was no easy man to succeed. With the assurance of divine help, to bury up the spirits of the new captain of Peter's barque.

The special pope of the age, the man who had "put his arm around the heart of the world" and the world had responded as never before in twenty centuries to the hopes and goals he gave it.

The world returned him seven tributes, honors and condolences from the Kremlin, when Pope John died last year in early June.

In Catholic churches around the world this month — from majestic St. Peter's Basilica in Rome to the humblest chapel in remote mission areas — the extraordinary and still-felt impact of Pope John's comparatively brief but epoch-making pontificate was reflected in the Memorial Masses offered on the first anniversary of his death.

In the Italian Diocese of Bergamo where he was born, 50,000 priests and lay people meanwhile had signed a petition for his beatification and eventual canonization. Other Italian dioceses were reported circulating similar petitions.

And it was even proposed that the second Vatican Council — the greatest single moment of his reign — canonize him by "acclamation" when it reconvenes for its third session in September.

Whether or not the church, soon or late, raises Pope John to the supreme dignity of the



POPE PAUL VI

The Pontiff marks his first anniversary at the summit of Christendom this Sunday.

altar, it is clear that he has already been canonized in the hearts not only of the Catholic faithful, but of men everywhere touched by his simple goodness and all-embracing human warmth.

At the same time, it seems equally clear that Paul VI, although contrasting greatly in his personal characteristics and clearly committed to his own way to be Pope, is nonetheless breathing closely in the spirit and example of the man whose mantle he has inherited.

When he was elected Pope, John XXIII was already 75 years old and many saw him as a "transitional Pope" — an impression that was soon to be dispelled as he began briefly to shape his own pontificate.

What Pope John accomplished in his brief pontificate of four years, seven months and six days was to create a new climate of inter-religious relations which moved one Cardinal Protestant commentator to describe him as "the best Pope the Protestants ever had." This was largely in tribute not only to his action in inviting both Protestant and Eastern Orthodox observers to the Vatican Council, but in setting up a Secretariat for Promoting Christian Unity.

Through two great social encyclicals — Mater et Magistra and Pacem in Terris, which each found a worldwide response probably unparalleled in the case of any papal document — the aged pontiff provided practical guidelines toward the establishment of a just and rational social order in a world of far-reaching political and economic changes.

Dead a year, Pope John is still present in the world in a two-fold way: through his successor, Paul VI, and through the inspiration of his life and the atmosphere of inter-ecumenical rapprochement that now inspires the quest for Christian unity.

On the day following his predecessor's death, Pope Paul, then Giovanni Battista Cardinal Montini, Archbishop of Milan, proclaimed that "the tomb of John XXIII will not" (Continued on Page 2)



Father Wolke, Addicks; Father Harding, Nunda; Father McVeigh, Sodus; Father Lammers, Ovid; Father Bleier, Stanley; Father Matuzewski, Watkins Glen.

**Bishop Assigns 56 Priests
To Parish, Special Duties
Two New Parishes Formed in Town of Greece**

Two new parishes will be established in the Town of Greece and fifty-six priests of the Rochester Diocese have been given new assignments by Bishop Kearney, the Chancery announced today.

Holy Name parish will be established in the southeast sector of Greece and St. Mark's parish in the northwest sector.

The clergy assignments include one veteran pastor who has retired from active duty to be named pastor emeritus, ten pastors appointed to new duties, eight priests assigned to special positions, twenty-three curates transferred to other parishes and fourteen newly ordained priests given their first appointments. All are effective Tuesday, June 23, at 6 p.m.

**New Priests
Appointed**

Fourteen priests ordained at Sacred Heart Cathedral on June 8 will begin their parish duties Tuesday evening.

They received their first assignments from Bishop Kearney at the Chancery yesterday.

Their appointments are:

- Rev. Robert D. Byrnes, to St. Stephen's Church, Geneva.
- Rev. James C. Burke, to St. Mary's Church, Waterloo.
- Rev. David W. Conner, to St. James' Church, Rochester.
- Rev. Peter A. Deckman, to St. Thomas More, Rochester.
- Rev. Albert Delmonte, to Corpus Christi Church, Rochester.
- Rev. William Donnelly, to St. John the Evangelist Church, Rochester.
- Rev. David L. Gaeber, to Holy Trinity Church, Webster.
- Rev. Bernard F. Greis, to graduate studies in science.
- Rev. Joseph M. Jankowiak, to St. Thomas the Apostle Church, Rochester.
- Rev. Roy J. Kiggins, to St. John of Rochester Church, Perinton.
- Rev. Gary A. Lalonde, to St. Francis deSales Church, Geneva.
- Rev. Thomas G. Leharé, to Christ the King Church, Rochester.
- Rev. John M. Mulligan, to Immaculate Conception Church, Ithaca.
- Rev. Thomas M. O'Brien, to St. Lawrence Church, Rochester.



Father Bleier of Naples

Pastor's Funeral Tomorrow

Solemn funeral Mass for Rev. Henry C. Bleier will be offered in St. Januarius Church, Naples, tomorrow, Friday, June 19, at 10:30 a.m.

He has served that parish and its mission, St. Matthias Church, Atlanta, for over 12 years.

Father Bleier died suddenly Monday morning, June 16, 1964, at his rectory. He was 63.

His brother, Leo, died less than a week before.

Following Sunday morning Masses at his two churches he attended graduation rites for a parishioner who received her diploma that afternoon from St. Mary's Hospital School of Nursing at a ceremony held in Mercy High School auditorium, Rochester.

During his pastorate at Naples and Atlanta he supervised re-decoration of both churches, improvement of parish properties and dedication of an outdoor shrine of St. Januarius at the Naples church.

He previously served as a



FATHER BLEIER

**Clergy Named
To Churches**

Pastors of the two new parishes in the Town of Greece, Bishop Kearney's other pastoral appointments, his assignment of priests to special duties and transfer of assistant pastors are listed by the Chancery as follows:

Special Assignments

- Rev. Thomas W. Burr, from assistant pastor of St. Boniface Church, Rochester, to instructor in Latin and Music at St. Andrew's Seminary.
- Rev. John L. Conroy, from assistant pastor of St. Patrick's Church, Mt. Morris, to chaplain of St. James Mercy Hospital, Hornell.
- Rev. Thomas C. Kaas, is granted a leave of absence to serve in the Diocese of Honolulu, Hawaii.
- Rev. Robert Miller, from assistant pastor of St. Margaret Mary Church, Rochester, to the editorial staff of The Catholic Courier Journal.
- Rev. John Skvorak, from assistant pastor of St. Thomas the Apostle Church, Rochester, to the staff of the Diocesan Tribunal.
- Rev. Thomas E. Stait, from assistant pastor of Corpus Christi Church, Rochester, to Newman Club Chaplain, Genesee State College.
- Rev. Roger F. Switzer, from assistant pastor of Immaculate Conception Church, Ithaca, is also named chaplain of Catholic students at Ithaca College.

Appointment of Pastors

- Rev. Joseph P. Bealini, from administrator of St. Francis Xavier Church, Rochester, to pastor of the same church.
- Rev. W. Darcy Bolger, from pastor of St. Theresa's Church, Stanley, and St. Mary's Church, Rushville, to pastor of St. Catherine's Church, Addison.
- Rev. Joseph D. Donova, from assistant pastor of Holy Rosary Church, Rochester, to establish a new parish in the northwest sector of Greece. The new parish will be called St. Mark's. The site is still to be determined.
- Rev. Joseph E. Gullfoll, from pastor of Holy Cross Church, Corning, to pastor emeritus of the same church.
- Rev. Francis Harding, from pastor of Holy Cross Church, Ovid, and Sacred Heart Church, Romulus, to pastor of Holy Angels Church, Nunda and Holy Name Church, Groveland.
- Rev. William Lammers, from pastor of Epiphany Church, Sodus, and St. Rose of Lima Church, Sodus Point, to pastor

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**Meat OK Friday
July Third**

Bishop Kearney has dispensed Catholics in the Rochester Diocese from the Church's law of abstinence for Friday, July 3, in observance of the Independence Day holiday weekend.

Catholics may therefore eat meat on that date as on any ordinary weekdays.

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Vatican City — (RNS) — Pope Paul VI bows his head in prayer with Metropolitan Antony Bashir of Brooklyn, head of the Syrian Antiochian Orthodox Church of North America. Accompanied by a group of Syrian leaders, Metropolitan Bashir was received in audience by the pontiff.

**Patron Saint's
Feast Monday**

Fest of St. John Fisher, patron saint of the Rochester Diocese, will be marked in all churches of the Diocese, Monday, June 22.

Masses honoring the sixteenth century martyr Bishop of Rochester, England, may also be celebrated the following Sunday, June 23.

St. John Fisher and his companions in martyrdom, the layman St. Thomas More, were beheaded in 1535 following imprisonment in the Tower of London because they refused to admit King Henry VIII as supreme head of the Church in England.

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