

Clergy Appointments

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of Holy Cross Church, Old and Sacred Heart Church, Romulus.

Rev. Joseph F. Hogan, from pastor of St. Mary of the Lake Church, Watkins Glen and St. Benedict Church, Odesa.

Rev. Leo J. Matuzewski, from pastor of St. Catherine's Church, Addison, to pastor of St. Mary of the Lake Church, Watkins Glen and St. Benedict Church, Odesa.

Rev. Thomas F. McVeigh, from pastor of Holy Name Church, Nunda and Holy Name Church, Groveland, to pastor of Epiphany Church, Sodus, and St. Rose of Lima Church, Sodus Point.

Rev. Paul I. Clemons, from Assumption Church, Fairport, to St. Michael's Church, Rochester.

Rev. Gerald T. Conover, from St. Alphonsus Church, Auburn, to St. Ann's Church, Hornell.

Rev. James E. Cogrove, from Holy Rosary Church, Rochester, to St. Francis of Assisi Church, Rochester.

Rev. Joseph W. Dalley, from St. Ambrose Church, Rochester, to St. Charles Borromeo Church, Rochester.

Rev. John D. Dillon, from St. Thomas More Church, Rochester, to St. Boniface Church, Rochester.

Rev. George E. Gauthier, from St. Mary's Church, Waterloo, to St. Andrew's Church, Rochester.

Rev. William H. Hickey, from St. James Mercy Hospital, Hornell, to Holy Rosary Church, Rochester.

Rev. Daniel V. Hogan, from St. Michael's Church, Rochester, to St. Cecilia's Church, Rochester.

Rev. Leo G. Ingalls, from Christ the King Church, Rochester, to St. Mary's Church, Horseheads.

Rev. Charles Laszowski, from St. Ignatius Church, Hornell, to St. Patrick's Church, Mt. Morris.

Rev. John V. Longhills, from St. Mary's Church, Danville, to St. Ignatius Church, Hornell.

Rev. James G. Malley, from St. Patrick's Church, Seneca Falls, to St. Leo's Church, Hill-ton.

Rev. Paul J. McCabe, from St. John the Evangelist Church, Rochester, to St. Monica's Church, Rochester.

Rev. Elmer McDonald, from St. Francis deSales Church, Geneva, to St. Augustine's Church, Rochester.

Rev. Michael C. O'Connell, from St. James' Church, Rochester, to Holy Rosary Church, Rochester.

Rev. Raymond Ringwood, from St. Ambrose Church, Rochester, to St. Patrick's Church, Seneca Falls.

Father Ebur
Seminary

Father Cosman
Hospital

Father Skvorak
Tribunal

Father McInglis
College

Rev. Edwin R. Wadlow, from St. Cecilia's Church, Rochester, to St. Alphonsus Church, Auburn.

Rev. James E. Tierney, from St. Augustine's Church, Rochester, to St. Ambrose Church, Rochester.

Rev. William Trotter, from St. Francis of Assisi Church, Rochester, to St. Margaret Mary Church, Rochester.

Rev. Anthony J. Valenti, from Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church, Rochester, to St. Ambrose Church, Rochester.

Rev. Michael Volpe, from St. Ann's Church, Hornell, to Holy Family Church, Rochester.

Rev. Thomas M. Reddington, from assistant pastor of St. Charles B. Church, Rochester, to form a new parish in the southeast sector of Greece. The new parish will be called Holy Name of Jesus. Its site will be on Bonesteel Street.

Rev. William Riefer, from instructor in languages at St. Andrew's Seminary, to pastor of St. Theresa's Church, Slattery and St. Mary's Church, Bushville.

Appointments of Assistants

Rev. Robert Bratier, from Immaculate Conception Church, Rochester, to form a new parish in the southeast sector of Greece.

Father Switzer
CVO

Father Miller
Courtier

Father Stall
College

Rev. Elmer McDonald, from St. Francis deSales Church, Geneva, to St. Augustine's Church, Rochester.

Rev. Michael C. O'Connell, from St. James' Church, Rochester, to Holy Rosary Church, Rochester.

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Saint Title for Saint's Parents?

Vatican City, (NC)—The parents of St. Theresa of the Child Jesus, have moved another step toward joining their daughter in the company of those the Church has declared to be saints.

The Congregation of Rites has examined the writings of Louise and Azelle Martin and found nothing in them contrary to faith or morals. This is one of the steps necessary for beatification and eventual canonization.

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Japan Sect Gains in U.S., Russia

(This is the third in a series of three articles examining a postwar religious-political sect in Japan, whose phenomenal growth is threatening both Christianity and democracy there.)

By FATHER A. W. BRVSON, M.S.C.

Tokyo — (NC) — The recent visit of three Sokaikaku leaders to the Soviet Union has attracted attention on the anti-Christian sect's intensive efforts to expand abroad as well as on its exceptionally rapid growth at home.

Sokaikaku, a postwar Japanese politico-religious group, has grown so fast in this country that it now claims 10 per cent of the nation's people as members and has made itself a major political force.

Although extremely nationalistic, the sect claims that not only national, but also international and international harmony can be achieved solely by converting all men to Sokaikaku.

It has made some gains overseas even in the U.S., where it says it has the allegiance of 3,700 families, most of non-Japanese descent. There is also a growing number of converts among U.S. servicemen stationed in this country, particularly among those who have Japanese wives and friends, which has caused some concern among military authorities.

Today, a periodical of the Soviet Academy of Science, "The visit was led in with Sokaikaku's effort to become an international, not merely a Japanese, movement and was an expression of its belief that Sokaikaku has a mission to redeem the whole world.

The Sokaikaku organ published in English for foreign readers, the Sokaikaku News, defined the sect's aims as follows: "Sokaikaku, which is upheld by more than 10 million Japanese and many foreigners overseas, is the pillar of Japan and the sun of the world. . . . The day will soon come (when) people the world over will be favored by the merciful light of True Buddhism."

Another Sokaikaku periodical stated that the sect's goal is the "propagation of Nichiren Sashonin throughout Japan in the first stage, and throughout the world in the final stage."

Nichiren Sashonin was the founder of a 13th-century Buddhist sect. Sokaikaku claims descent from the sect, but actually grew out of a secular study group established in 1930.

In its efforts at home, Sokaikaku stresses political action. It emphasizes that it to gain power for foreign peace and universal happiness.

Last year, when Ikeda and his eight top aides returned from a world proselytizing tour, the sect's president told a rally of 15,000 members that he planned to meet with the chiefs of state of the U.S. and U.S.S.R. and demand that they stop nuclear testing. Even in urging disarmament, however, Sokaikaku's tendency toward violence was revealed when Ikeda said: "We will employ force in the fight against nuclear bombs. Execute those leaders of nations which use nuclear bombs!"

Ikeda also told the rally that he had set up Sokaikaku chapters in the U.S., France and West Germany and that he had appointed sect officials in Austria, the Netherlands, Spain and Yugoslavia.

Religious leaders in Japan consider Sokaikaku's attempt to spread outside of this country as unlikely to succeed. They say such expansion is in part a foolish utopian dream of the sect's leaders and partly an effort to impress their Japanese followers and gain new converts at home.

They note, however, that proselytizing efforts among foreigners and Japanese students and workers abroad could create serious friction unless Sokaikaku drops its hostile attitude toward all other religions. They point out that the Korean government has refused to allow Sokaikaku representatives into that country and has condemned the sect's activities.

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Harvard Honors Jesuit Cardinal

Cambridge — (RNS) — Cardinal Augustin Bea, president of the Vatican Secretariat for Promoting Christian Unity, shares honors with Chancellor Ludwig Erhard and 15 other distinguished honorees at Harvard University's commencement exercises. The prelate was granted an honorary doctor of laws degree as a "revered scholar" who seeks "fraternal dialogue evoking harmony in Christendom." Last year, the prelate participated in Harvard's Catholic-Protestant Colloquium on Christian Unity.

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