

Paterson Throngs Welcome Bishop Casey



An estimated twenty thousand people lined the streets of Paterson, New Jersey, to welcome Bishop Casey to his new diocese. He was solemnly installed as fifth bishop of that diocese last week. These pictures show him as Pope Paul's

letter appointing him to Paterson is read from the pulpit and, in left photo, as he presided at the throne at the Mass following the installation rite. Turn to page four for a full page of pictures.

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Eleven to Mark 25th Year in Priesthood

Eleven priests of the Rochester Diocese will celebrate their silver jubilee in the priesthood this June.

Their priestly duties have taken them literally around the world and anniversary Masses will be offered from Saigon to West Germany to Alaska as well as in churches closer to home.

Bishop Kearney celebrated a Mass honoring the Jubilarians at St. Theodore's Church, Gates, Tuesday. Priests of the Diocese attended the Mass. The Bishop ordained the eleven jubilarians twenty-five years ago in Sacred Heart-Cathedral June 7, 1941.

THE JUBILARIANS are Monsignor Dennis W. Hickey and Fathers John F. Albert, Charles B. Connell, Gerard J. Gefell, Joseph G. Gefell, Vincent E. LeFrois, John J. Nacca, Thomas M. Reddington, Lawrence Sansom, James F. Slattery and Paul C. Wohlrab.

Schedule of anniversary observances and biographical details of the jubilarians are as follows:

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Faith Put to Practice, Answer to Race Problems

"Catholics and Racial Justice," with emphasis on the Rochester scene was the topic explored by a panel-foursome at Sacred Heart Cathedral hall, as part of an Interracial Sunday program last Sunday evening.

Frank opinions were the order of the day, as the panelists gave their views on the present position of Catholics in local race relations.

Attended by 400 people, the lively panel followed an evening Mass for racial justice celebrated in the Cathedral church by Father Henry A. Atwell, editor of the Catholic Courier-Journal.

Samples of the panelists' candor included the following:

"Catholic women could open up every section of Monroe County to open housing if they really used their influence,"

said Mrs. Ronald J. Gledhill, president of the Diocesan Council of Catholic Women.

She urged women's groups to devote less time to hat shows, more attention to sponsoring programs on human relations.

Regarding racial prejudice, it does exist among priests and religious to one degree or another, commented Father P. David Flinck, assistant pastor at Rochester's Immaculate Conception parish.

"It's not there in theory — but in practice, you still find it, for we, too, are products of our environment," the priest explained.

He thought that most clerical faults in this area lay in "sins of inaction" rather than any outright prejudice.

His advice to the assemblage was to "stop waiting for direc-

tives," and show some personal initiative in the field of race relations.

Almost wearily, Dr. Nathaniel Hurst, Rochester physician, told the group that he had "no new message" and that none should be necessary.

"If the basic truths of our faith were practiced," there would be no need for the Catholic Interracial Council in Rochester, he continued. Dr. Hurst is a former president of the C.I.C. here.

Herman Walk, Jr., criticized Catholics who were "too busy" to become informed and involved in the social problems of their time.

"Too many meetings?" — he commented. He suggested dropping out of organizations which were really irrelevant to modern life.

"Blatant racism" has gone underground, the chairman of the Monroe County Human Relations Commission noted, "but polite euphemisms are in."

People will not say they don't want Negro children in their schools; they stress, rather, that they "are for neighborhood schools."

Although not a panelist, the panel moderator, Dr. William H. Gilman, current president of the Catholic Interracial Council, offered an impromptu statement describing the image of the Catholic Church locally, as he felt it looked to minority groups.

Gilman described this image as "a great and wealthy institution . . . distinguished by inaction, evasion . . . a church of words and not of deeds."

He suggested two programs for local action: investment in

Monsignor Craugh A Vicar General

Monsignor Wilfred T. Craugh has been named by Bishop Kearney to be a Vicar General of the Rochester Diocese to succeed Bishop Casey in that position.

Monsignor Craugh, rector of St. Bernard's Seminary for the past 18 years, will continue as head of the Lake Avenue school until the end of the school year next month.

His 42 years in the priesthood have been identified with St. Bernard's and with diocesan administration.

His appointment as Vicar General climaxes a litany of honors and responsibilities given him in his four decades of priestly service.

Monsignor Craugh will share the duties of the Vicar General's office with Monsignor James C. McAniff. A Vicar General is somewhat comparable to vice president in a business corporation.

IN ANNOUNCING Monsignor Craugh's appointment, Bishop Kearney issued this statement:

"While I am reluctant to see Monsignor Craugh leave the rectorship of St. Bernard's Seminary with which he has been so long associated both as professor and rector, I am very, very pleased by his acceptance of my invitation to succeed Bishop Casey as one of the Vicars General of the Diocese.

"His intimate acquaintance with the priests of this Diocese and their respect for him and confidence in him are invaluable assets in his new responsibility. This recognition of



MONSIGNOR CRAUGH 'respect and confidence'

his devoted service to the priesthood through the years, will, I am sure, be welcomed by the priests and people of this Diocese and by St. Bernard's alumni throughout the country."

Monsignor Craugh, 65, is a native of Penn Yan. He was ordained in 1924 and then did graduate study at the Gregorian University, Rome, attaining a doctorate in philosophy in 1925 and the rare masters degree in philosophy in 1927. He was then assigned to the faculty of St. Bernard's where he taught philosophy and related subjects and was named director there in 1948.

He holds the rank of Prototary Apostolic, highest rank of a Monsignor, a rank which gives him the right to say Mass with ceremonies ordinarily used only by bishops. He is also secretary to the diocesan matrimonial Tribunal, defensor vinculi, pro-synodal judge, vicar officials and a synodal judge—all administrative positions at the diocesan Chancery.

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