A prayer before sermon at St. Patrick's Cathedral in New York.

Bishop Sheen with new African bishops.

Bishop Sheen celebrated Mass in Byzantine rite at Uniontown, Pennsylvania, at Ukrainian shrine of our Lady.

SACRA CONGREGAZIONE
DE PROPAGANDA FIDE

Rome - November 23, 1966

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Your Excellency:

It has come to my attention that on December 15th next, you will be formally installed as the sixth Bishop of Rochester, to which office you were recently appointed by His Holiness, Pope Paul VI.

Most willingly do I take the opportunity presented to me by this solemn and important occasion to renew my sincere congratulations and prayerful best wishes for the successful fulfillment of the pastoral ministry which the Holy Father has entrusted to you

Your Excellency is well aware of the high regard which the Sacred Congregation for the Propagation of the Faith has always had for your selfless and untiring dedication to the Church's missionary apostolate and for the singular success you have had in promoting an ever greater interest in and love for the Missions among the good Catholic people of your country. For sixteen years your outstanding gifts as a preacher, organizer and spiritual leader of men have been most generously placed at the disposal of our missionaries and in the service of God's poor throughout the world.

Now, when you are about to leave the office of National Director of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith to serve the Church in the United States as the Ordinary of the Diocese of Rochester, I wish to give renewed expression to the sentiments of gratitude of this Sacred Congregation and of our beloved missionaries for all that you, a true missionary, have done to aid them in their apostolic work. While other responsibilities will now claim your attention and interest, I am sure that the Missions will ever occupy a special place in your heart and a particular remembrance in your prayers

With renewed sentiments of personal esteem and kindest regards, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,

G. P. card. Agagianian
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BISHOP SHEEN

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ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE (1922)

ST. SALOME (1925)

ST. MARGARET MARY (1929)

ST. CECILIA (1949)

ST. JAMES (1949)

CHRIST THE KING (1955)

ST. AMBROSE (1921)