

A Psalm for Labor Day—

Praise the Lord, 0 my soul -- O Lord, my God, Thou are exceeding great! Thou art arrayed in majesty and splendor ... Thou spreadest out the heaven like a tent . . . Thou makest the clouds Thy chariot . . . Thou makest the winds Thy messengers . Thou hast made the moon to tell the seasons, the sun knows the time for its setting. Thou bringest on darkness and it is night; then all the beasts of the wood are astir . . . The sun riseth and they flee away, in their dens they settle down. Then man goes forth to his work and to his toil until evening. How wonderful Thy works, O Lord! In wisdom Thou hast made all things . . . I will sing to the Lord all my life...I shall delight in the Lord forever. -- Psalm 103.

Labor's Rights, Responsibility

(By Religious News Service)

A sense of crisis underlay the statements with which Ameri-an id zious bodie: will greet Labor Day and the end of 1967's long, hot Summer. "Rights" and responsibility" were key words in each of the statements.

The Synagogue Council of America, representing Reform, Conservative and Orthodox Judaism, called it "the saddest Labor Day in our history," citing poverty and racial tension as "inequities" which have laid "their ruthless hands on a na-

Racial discrimination was also the theme of the annual statement by the Social Action Department of the U.S. Catholic Conference, which said flatly that "Labor relations in 1967 means race relations."

Another area of tension was creflected in the Leber Sure Message of the National Council of Churches' Committee on the Church and Economic Life: the conflict which sometimes rises between the demands of the general welfare and the right of workers to strike.

It was issued against a background of strike threats, plans or attempts by a number of occupational groups which have rarely resorted to this weapon - farmers angry at the gap between the low prices they receive for their milk, meat or vegetables and the rising prices in the consumer market and public service employees such as school teachers, social work

ers, firemen and telephone re-

Equally menacing was the road strike, stopped at the last minute and moved to compulsory arbitration by Congress. (Continued on Page 2)

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A New Chapter for Historic Parish

A new chapter will begin next month for historic SS. Peter and Paul's parish, Rochester.

The priests who staff Our Lady of Victory — the Little French Church — will take up the pastoral care of what for more than a century was Rochester's Big German Church.

Father William Davis, SS.CC., a Rochesterian, and other members of the Congregation of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary, will begin their spiritual work at SS. Peter and Paul's Church Monday, Oct. 2.

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Father Frederick Eisemann, assistant pastor of the parish, will receive another assignment at that time.

Father Joachim Shults SS.CC., will be pastor of Our Lady of Victory Church in the heart of Rochester's downtown. This Church will be closed next summer, July 1, 1968, because the area where it is located will be taken to accommodate a revised thoroughfare plan.

SS. Peter and Paul's Church, built in 1911, is one of the city's

U.S. Catholics Are Hawks

San Francisco -(NC)- A political scientist from Georgetown University said here that "basically, the hierarchy, clergy and laity of the Catholic Church in America are hawks."

Victor Ferkiss spoke at the 11th National Catholic Social Action Conference on the topic. "A Social Action Approach to

Ferkiss said Americans are so obsessed with a need for total national security that "we have become paranoid and must learn that there is no such thing as complte security. Christians must be prepared to take risks in the name of peace."

— and the nation's — most beautiful church edifices. The parish itself dates back to 1842 when German immigrants organized separately from the "east side" St. Joseph's Church.

Redemptorist priests, the order which still staffs St. Joseph's Church, also aided in organizing Our Lady of Victory Church as early as 1840 for French speaking Catholics of the city.

Father Edward P. Callens, SS.CC., who has been pastor at Our Lady of Victory Church for the past five years, will take



FATHER DAVIS

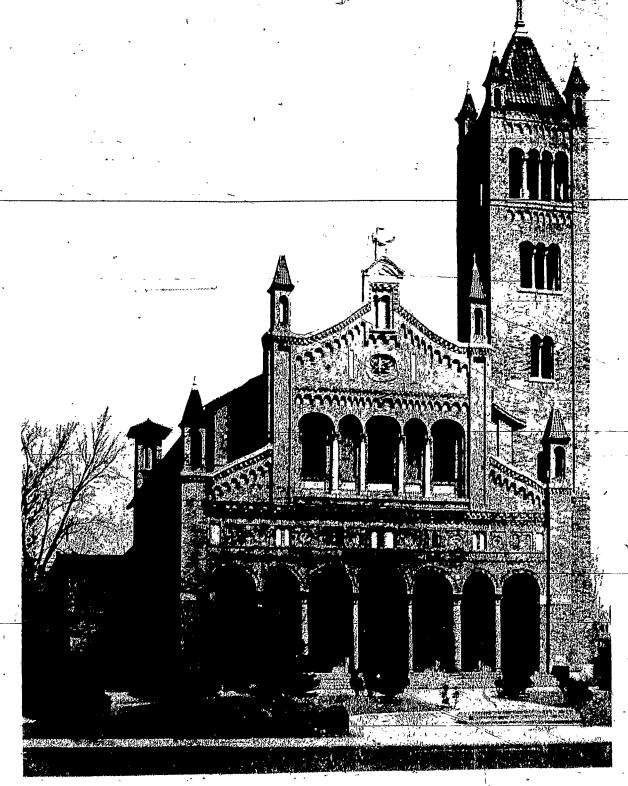
up new duties as a spiritual di-rector of students at St. Bernard's Seminary this Septem-

Other priests affected by the transfer of administration, as announced by Bishop Sheen's Pastoral Office this week, include Father William Dillon, assistant pastor, and Fathers Christopher O'Neill, Thomas McElroy, William Penderghest and Frederick LaBrecque-four newly ordained members of the Sacred Hearts order, who will spend their "pastoral year" under Father Davis' direction at SS. Peter and Paul's Church.

Assisting Father Shults at Our Lady of Victory Church will be Fathers Leo King and John O'Brien.

Father Davis, a Rochesterian, attended St. Salome's parish school, St. Andrew's Seminary, the Sacred Hearts Seminary at Washington. He later did graduate studies at the Catholic University in the nation's capital and has taught theology and canon law and served as rector at his order's seminary and in parishes staffed by his order. He was also elected to represent U.S. members of his order at meetings in Rome and has served on the Pastoral Commission of the Diocese of Manchester,

Father Davis is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William b. Davis now of Holy Cross parish, Roch



SS. Peter and Paul Church, West Main St., Rochester.