

## Bishop Hickey's Biography

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Bishop Hickey rendered two other priestly services outside the diocesan curia: He was a confessor for seminarians at St. Bernard's every Friday evening and was week-end assistant at Holy Rosary Church under Rt. Rev. Msgr. Charles F. Shay.

He was named a Papal Chamberlain by Pope Pius XII in 1952, and raised to the rank of Right Reverend Monsignor by Pope John XXIII in 1959.

Pastor in Rochester

Bishop Hickey became pastor of St. Theodore's Church on Spencerport Road in Gates in June, 1961. He has seen the parish Sunday Mass attendance double in six years and the school attendance jump 200 per cent. The parish has 1,000 public school students in an excellent program of religious instruction held near Gates-Chili Central School.

Since becoming Vicar General to Bishop Sheen 13 months ago, Bishop Hickey has been primarily concerned with personnel needs of the diocese. Respected and trusted by the priests, he has been a helpful friend to all, a confidant and teacher of the new Ordinary, an interpreter and buffer for his busy superior.

"I have been thrilled all this year to discover the generosity of the priests in the service of the people whenever



As a new assistant, Bishop Hickey gets acquainted at St. Mary's, Auburn.

asked by the bishop or myself to do anything," he said this week.

"Working with Bishop Sheen is in-

teresting and exciting. He is imaginative, always eloquent, gracious and thoughtful in his manners. I am con-

stantly moved by his simplicity. He sees everything with the eyes of faith and is instinctively prayerful. I have seen him kneel at his desk to pray for judgment before a final decision when we would be troubled by some complex problem."

Bishop Hickey gave warm praise to his assistant, Father John Steger, who has handled the major share of running St. Theodore's parish since he came to the vicar general's duties in the Pastoral Office.

Mrs. Walter Hickey died five years ago, and the bishop's father, now 83 and a patient at St. Ann's Home, Rochester, will not be present for his son's consecration. But the Bishop's uncle, Charles Hickey, last of 14 brothers and sisters of his father, will come to the ceremonies from Warren Center, Penna.

Two sisters will also be at the Cathedral: Miss Helen Hickey of Bronxville, N.Y., employed by J. Walter Thompson Co. of New York City; and Katherine, now Mrs. Nicholas J. Campbell, of London, with her husband, who is president of Esso-Europe Corporation. Both sisters were in Europe when their brother was named bishop on January 11.

Bishop Hickey will offer the first pontifical Mass of his episcopacy on Sunday, March 17 at St. Theodore's Church, Spencerport Road, Gates.

## Bishop McCafferty's Biography

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life in this diocese whom I had never known before.

"I believe that the laity have welcomed ecumenical efforts with marked cordiality and generosity. The church open-houses, living-room dialogues and



'Overwhelmed—'

On hearing of his appointment as an auxiliary bishop, Monsignor McCafferty said he was "overwhelmed . . . most grateful to the Holy Father . . . but it is a terrible responsibility in this age."

sharing of worship have all gone well. The next steps toward unity can proceed only after theologians and the hierarchy make high-level decisions about the theological problems which still divide the Christian family."

Inter-communion, where Catholics and Protestants would be able to receive the Eucharist in a joint service, or by visiting one another's churches according to choice, will be a long way off, Bishop McCafferty guessed.

"Only isolated and small groups of lay people have been urging this step. The clergy on both sides are quiet about the issue and are using no pressure for hasty decisions about a "mutual Eucharist," he said.

Bishop McCafferty became the pastor of Holy Rosary Church on October 18, 1965, succeeding Right Rev. Msgr. Charles F. Shay who retired to St. Anne's Home after 28 years in the parish.

"Coming to Holy Rosary has been an enjoyable fulfillment of my priesthood. After so many years in administrative positions for the diocese, it has been a daily pleasure to be part of a modern, active parish. Our community life here, the devotion and piety of the people are quite remarkable," the Bishop said.

"Our Lay Board of Education, Home and School Association and Legion of

Mary are fundamental reasons for the harmony and zest this parish shows."

Holy Rosary, long famed in the diocese as the eucharistic parish, thanks to the zeal of a series of fine pastors like the late Monsignor Arthur Hughes, then Bishop Foery and Monsignor Shay, and a legion of excellent curates, rightly is proud this week that the Church

has chosen another Holy Rosary priest as Shepherd and Bishop.

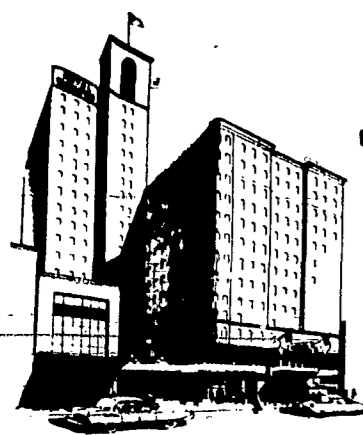
Bishop McCafferty's father died in 1945 and his mother in 1959. His only family-relative to share the happiness of the consecration is his sister, Miss Joan McCafferty of Syracuse, an employee of the New York Telephone Company.



OLD FRIENDS in the priesthood for many years, Monsignors Hickey and McCafferty shared a moment of joy mingled with awe as their appointments as auxiliary bishops were announced in Rochester on Wednesday, Jan. 16, 1968 by Bishop Sheen.

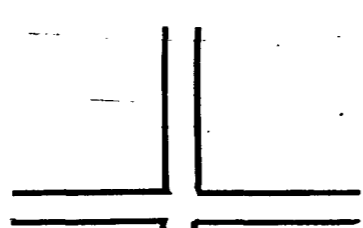


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