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## A New Chapter in Cathedral's Lustrous History

When new-Bishop Joseph L. Hogan is formally escorted to his throne-chair on the left hand side of the sanctuary of Sacred Heart Cathedral about 1 p.m. on Nov. 28, a new chapter begins for diocesan history and new luster is brought to the cathedral itself.

The cathedral of a diocese is the most important church and the pivotal point of all diocesan life because it is the Bishop's church, the seat of his magisterium as shepherd of souls, "the core-spot of the teaching and administering authority the Bishop exercises.

Bishop Hogan's throng, surmounted by his coat of arms, and the cathedral altar will frequently, especially on the most solemn feasts of the year, be the scene of his leadership in worship and his preaching of doctrine for the entire

Rochester has known only two cathedrals in its 101 years: St. Patrick's, formerly on Plymouth Avenue North, on the corner of Platt Street (totally razed in 1947), and Sacred Heart on Flower City Park.

Bishop Hogan will be the third Bishop of Rochester to be installed in Sacred Heart and the fourth man to be consecrated a bishop in its sanctuary.

Bishop James E. Kearney came from Salt Lake City to this church to receive the title of fifth head of this diocese on November 11, 1937. Bishop Fulton J. Sheen, auxiliary of New York City, was the second bishop installed here on Dec. 15, 1966.

Bishop Lawrence B. Casey of Paterson, N.J., was consecrated in Sacred Heart Cathedral on May 5, 1953, to be auxiliary to Bishop Kearney. Bishops Dennis W. Hickey and John E. Mc-Cafferty were consecrated together there to be auxiliaries to Bishop Sheen on Mar. 14, 1968.

Rochester's first cathedral had been begun as a parish church four years before the diocese was established. Although not completed, St. Patrick's was opened for use on Mar. 17, 1869, nine month's after Bishop Bernard J. Mc-Quaid arrived here as the first bishop. He solemnly dedicated it as the cathedral with splendid ceremonies on Nov.

St. Patrick's served Bishops Mc-Quaid, Hickey, O'Hern and Mooney for 68 years.

Four Bishops, born and raised in Rochester, were consecrated there: Thomas F. Hickey on May 24, 1905, Edward Hanna on Dec. 4, 1913, John F. O'Hern on Mar. 19, 1929 and Walter A. Foery on Aug. 18, 1937.

In 1937 Eastman Kodak Company, a long-time State Street neighbor whose several buildings had almost surrounded the Cathedral property, offered the diocese \$300,000 in cash for the entire complex of the church and rectory, plus the adjoining property of the diocesan chancery office and St. Andrew's Sem-

The last Masses were offered in the Cathedral on Sept. 12, 1937.

The bishop's throne and the marble altar and giant organ were transferred northward a few miles to Sacred Heart parish church which was immediately designated the Pro-Cathedral of the diocese. But it had no Bishop at the



Sacred Heart Cathedral as it appeared during consecration day of new bishop.

time, for Archbishop Edward Mooney had been transferred to Detroit in August and Bishop Kearney did not arrive from Salt Lake City until November 11, 1937. Although the parish of Sacred Heart

was established in 1910 the present cathedral building was originally erected as its second church in 1926-27 by Monsignor George V. Burns and formally dedicated on June 8, 1927, by Bishop Thomas F. Hickey.

Designed by Charles H. Prindeville of Chicago, in soaring Gothic style with a spacious sanctuary and a seating capacity of 1,000, the church deserved its elevation to the dignity of cathedral, which came from the Vatican in June of 19<u>52.</u>

Extensive renovations and improvements were directed by Monsignor Lawrence B. Casey as pastor to make the church more worthy of its new dignity and rank. The first major event in the new cathedral was the consecration of Bishop Casey as auxiliary to Bishop Kearney on May 5, 1953 by Francis Cardinal Spellman of New York City.

An interesting link between Sacred Heart Cathedral and the old St. Patrick's was the striking white marble altar. Used for worship in the first cathedral from 1889 through 1937, it served for 19 more years in Sacred Heart before being dismantled in 1956 to make way for a new altar in the cathedral renovation program.

More than 500 diocesan priests were ordained at this altar and four of them were later consecrated as bishops before

In March, 1966, the old altar, reconstructed to directives of the liturgical renewal, was again put to-use in St. Francis Xavier Church on Bay Street.

Bishop Casey followed by Father John S. Hayes, present rector of the Cathedral, made extensive renovations of the sanctuary to provide an altar facing the congregation

Bishop Hogan will not reside at the cathedral. He will live in an apartment in the diocesan office building at 50 Chestnut St. where his Pastoral Office is located.

## 16 Bishops Produced in Rochester Diocese

The ordination of Joseph Lloyd Hogan to be the seventh Bishop of Rochester brings to sixteen the number of bishops contributed to the hierarchy of the Church from the counties of the Rochester Diocese.

He will also be the ninth cleric who was a priest of the diocese at the time of his selection by the Pope to be a bishop.

Bishop Hogan, ordained in Rochester in June, 1942, is the nineteenth American archbishop or bishop who has received all or part of his education at St. Bernard's Seminary.

Such statistics reflect the graces of God given to the whole diocese and its educational institutions.

For although a diocese grows in numbers by baptisms and migration and puts up buildings by the generosity of its members, its production of men, who by the direct choice of the Pope, the Vicar of Christ, are judged worthy to be "successor to the Apostles', must

be ascribed to the special favor of Almighty God.

Bishops who were priests of this diocese have been (in the order of their year of consecration):

Bishop Thomas A. Hendrick-1903 (Cebu, Philippine Islands) Bishop Thomas F. Hickey — 1905

(Rochester) Archbishop Edward J. Hanna—1912

(San Francisco) 🖆 Bishop John Francis O'Hern-1929

(Rochester) Bishop Walter A. Foery — 1937 (Syracuse)

Bishop Lawrence B. Casey — 1953 (Rochester, then Paterson, N.J.) Bishop Dennis W. Hickey — 1968 (Rochester)

Bishop John E. McCafferty — 1968 (Rochester) Bishop Joseph L. Hogan — 1969 (Rochester)

Bishops who were born or served within the diocesan counties:

Bishop John N. Neumann, C.SS.R., —1852 (Philadelphia) Bishop Bernard O'Reilly - 1850

(Hartford) Bishop Francis X. Krautbauer—1875 (Green Bay, Wisc.)

Bishop James Edward Quigley -1896 (Buffalo, then Chicago) Bishop Patrick J. Byrne, MM -

(Korea) Bishop Francis J. Green — 1953 (Tuscon, Ariz.)

Summarizing the home-towners of the diocesan priests who became bish-

Bishop Hendrick came from Penn Yan; Thomas Hickey, Hanna, O'Hern, Foery and Casey from Rochester; Dennis Hickey from Dansville; McCafferty from Geneva, Hogan from Lima.

Lima was also the home-town of Archbishop James Edward Quigley. Subsequently a priest in the diocese of Buffalo, he became Bishop of Buffalo in 1896 and later Archbishop of Chicago (1903-1915.) •