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Have Mass-Kit, Will Travel

A Mass kit accompanies Father Ernesto Loera in the trunk of his car as he prepares to visit migrant families in the Auburn area to whom his work in Spanish Apostolate takes him. For a story on Father Loera, see centerfold.

2 New Pastors Named

Father Bernard Kuchman will be the pastor of St. Andrew's Church, Rochester, and Father Robert Smith will succeed him in the pastorates of St. Januarius Church, Naples, and St. Matthias mission church, Atlanta, in appointments announced today by Bishop Joseph L. Hogan.

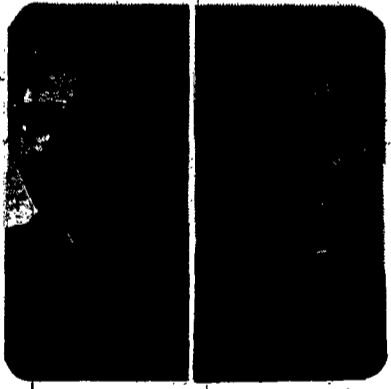
Father Kuchman has been pastor for six years in the Naples and Atlanta parishes. Prior to that he had been assistant pastor at Holy Redeemer Church, Rochester, for seven years.

Following ordination in 1940

he served as curate at Holy Family, St. Andrew's (for seven months in 1946), St. Philip Neri and St. Francis Xavier parishes in Rochester and at St. Alphonsus Church, Auburn. He was a chaplain in the U.S. Air Force 1948-50.

Father Smith has been assistant pastor at St. Louis, Pittsford, for two years.

Ordained in 1953 he has served as curate at St. Mary's, Auburn, St. Francis De Sales, Geneva and St. John the Evangelist, Spencerport. During 1960-67 he was director of mu-



Fr. Kuchman Fr. Smith

sic at St. Bernard's Seminary and in '68-69 was chaplain at Cornell University.

Bishops Establish Legal-Education Task Force in State

Albany — The bishops of the state have set up a special legal-educational task force to examine, in detail, the impact of the recent Supreme Court decisions on Catholic education in New York State.

There are more than 720,000 students in schools under Catholic auspices in the State.

The task force was appointed following a special, unusual mid-summer meeting of the State's Conference of Catholic Bishops.

The bishops met with legal and education experts from throughout the state to determine the best and most immediate response to the threat inherent in the Supreme Court decisions.

"While the decisions concern aid programs enacted by the Rhode Island, Pennsylvania and Connecticut legislatures," Charles J. Tobin, secretary of the State Catholic Committee, explained, "nevertheless many programs of aid to religious-affiliated schools were directly affected by the decision."

"Other aid programs," he explained, "have not been tested in the high court." Textbook aid and transportation have

been but other programs, particularly the two most recent in New York State, are still in litigation in the lower courts.

The task force groups will examine alternate forms of aid which, in view of the decision, seem to have the "stamp of approval" of the court.

"Certainly we will be considering joint action on the federal level, a real possibility now that the Supreme Court has, in effect, indicated a possible route to support . . . I mean, tuition aid or parental aid."

The language of the decisions made it obvious that when the aid went to the student or his parents directly, the court considered such a route within the guidelines of support.

"In fact the major favorable view which came as a result of the decisions was that the court states there are ways in which aid can be given.

"Examining these ways is one of the major responsibilities of the task force.

"It's a short-term effort," Tobin said, "we expect to have reports ready in the early Fall."

Diocesan Appointments



Rev. Bernard Kuchman to be pastor of St. Andrew's Church, from pastor of St. Januarius Church, Naples, and St. Matthias Church (mission), Atlanta.

Rev. Robert Smith to be pastor of St. Januarius Church, Naples, and St. Matthias Church (mission), Atlanta, from assistant pastor of St. Louis Church, Pittsford.

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In order to give its readers more information about the drug abuse problem and to provide some insight into what Monroe County is doing to combat it, the Courier-Journal assigned Barbara Moynihan and Laurence E. Keefe to do a photojournalistic series on the topic.

The first article in the series is based on interviews with county health officials and appears today on Page 5A.

A story of another kind is provided by Elmira correspondent Dick Baumbach who tells about a "new Sister" at the Dominican Monastery. What makes it readable is that she's 64, a grandmother and a convert. See Page 1B.

On Page 1B, Father Thomas Florack takes a sharply critical view of the state's plans to close down the Sampson State School.

A first-hand view of Vietnam from a man who has

been there and kicked out is provided on Page 1B. Don Luce feels Vietnamization just won't work.

And at the Catholic Family Center, they know about a boy named "Miguel" who is looking for a home. If you want to know more about him, turn to Page 3B.

Bernard Lyons has more tips on running a parish council in our newest column on Page 2A.