

At Synod's Close

Cardinal Josef Slipyi, primate of the Ukrainian Catholic Rite, kisses Pope Paul VI's ring after the final session of the World Synod of Bishops at the Vatican Cardinal Slipyi became a controversial figure during the Synod by accusing the Vatican of failing to help Ukrainian Catholics and by calling a synod of Ukrainian Rite bishops in Rome despite objections of high Vatican officials, (RNS)

Pontiff Stresses 'Community'

Vatican City — (RNS) — Reflecting on the theme, "the Church as a religious society," Pope Paul VI declared that a conception of the Church as "purely spiritual and therefore invisible and merely internal" did not square with the "reality of Christianity."

"Christianity is a social fact," the Pope said, "and not simply an ideological current allowing everyone to conceive of it in his own way and keep in a secret within his own conscience."

The 74-year-old pontiff spoke at his usual Wednesday general audience, Nov. 10.

The Church, he emphasized, "as the People of God," is "a community, a communion of believers." Hence, he added, "we cannot presume to be true Christians without at the same

time being members of this society."

Bishop Hogan asks the prayers of the people of the diocese for the success of the surgery he underwent yesterday at Northside (Geneneral) Hospital. He wishes to announce that he will be unable to take appointments until after the first of the year.

Bishop Hogan Opens Development Drive

Following is the pastoral letter which was read from the pulpits of the diocese last Sunday in announcement of the Human Development Campaign.

My dear People:

The Gospel today is a description of turbulence — of a world struggling through a period of chaotic violence born of human selfishness and pride. The events described have happened in the past and are happening now in many areas of the world. Today's Christian, while enduring the stress and trials, is again urged to be faithful to his calling to be the salt of the earth — those who add flavor to everyday life and make it palatable, and light — people whose lives offer a glimpse of the splendor of the kingdom of Christ Jesus on Whom our lives are already founded.

The appeal for the Human Development Campaign is made today in all of our churches after the reading of a Gospel which should stir us with its challenges. This campaign is the special means which the Bishops of this country have developed to express the continuing compassion of Christ for the poor. The poor will always be among us in many forms. There are the retired who live

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Diocesan Appointments



Msgr. Arthur E. Ratigan, to be assistant pastor of Holy Family Church, Auburn, from pastor of St. Ambrose Church, Rochester.

Father Gerard J. Guli, to be assistant pastor of St. Michael's Church, Rochester, from assistant pastor of St. Ambrose Church, Rochester.

Father David N. Gramkee, to be assistant pastor of Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Brighton, from assistant pastor of Immaculate Conception Church, Ithaca

Father M. Gerard Hafner, to be assistant pastor of Our Lady of Mercy Church, Rochester, from assistant pastor of Holy Family Church, Auburn.

Father Richard M. Mattie, to be assistant pastor of St. Boniface Church, Rochester, from assistant pastor of St. Ann's Church, Hornell.

Father Oliver P. Stokes, OP, to be assistant pastor of Immaculate Conception Church, Ithaca, from assistant pastor of Our Lady of Lourdes, Rochester.

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SUPPORT THE CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

The second annual campaign for the Office of Human Development takes place Sunday, Nov. 21. The campaign attacks the root causes of poverty by providing self-help incentives to the underprivileged both on a national and local scale. For a better look at this diocesan office, see centerfold.

Bishop Discusses 'Priesthood in Crisis'

Bishop Joseph L. Hogan's timely and informative series of columns on "The Priesthood in Crisis" continues on Page 3A today with a discussion of priestly vocations.

The series has touched on the problems of the priest in the modern world — what people expect of him, what he expects of himself, and how he relates to contemporary situations.

It questions some old "inflexible" adages and gives fresh insight into the complexities of the personal lives of our priests today.

Must reading for every diocesan, the series appears weekly on Page 3A.

"The play's the thing," said William Shakespeare some 400 years ago and that statement holds true even in the hectic days of modern life. Probably "Hair" and "Jesus Christ Superstar" have elicited more options from our readers than any other happenings in recent year. For

the views of the diocesan vicar for education, Father Albert Shamon, turn to Page 4A.

Leave it to a layman to pick a more mundane topic for discussion. Pat Costa levels some flat-out criticism at the coverage given the recent election by the local television channels. See if you agree with her on Page 10B.

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