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Social Ministry Director Named

Bishop Joseph L. Hogan last week formally announced his plans to appoint Father Charles Mulligan, now director of the Office of Human Development, to the directorate of a new Office of Social Ministry. The appointment was made known to the Priests Council in May.

Father Mulligan will be responsible for coordination and support of all social ministry carries on under the aegis of the diocese, according to the Pastoral Office announcement.

Agencies and groups involved include: Catholic Charities, Office of Human Development, County Jail and Prison Chaplains, Hospital and other Medical Facility Chaplains, the new Justice and Peace Commission and the Bishop Sheen Housing Foundation.

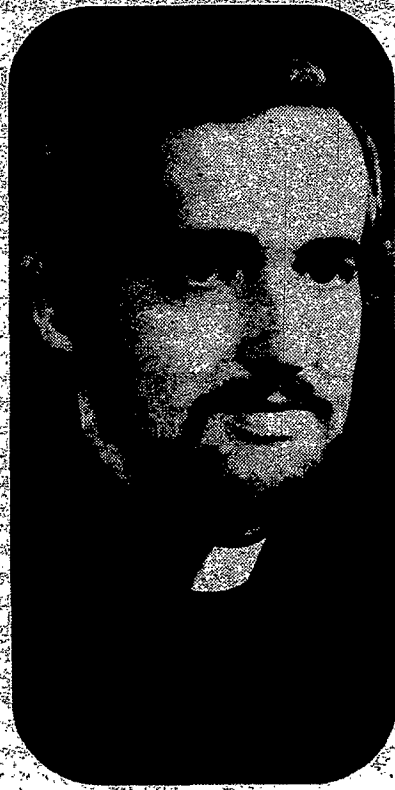
The appointment is effective Jan. 1, 1977.

A statement issued by the

Pastoral Office said "According to Bishop Hogan, the responsibilities for the office are not new. They have been his (the bishop's) to deal with over the years. By appointing Father Mulligan and delegating the authority to him, these major responsibilities will be more effectively taken care of in the future."

Father Mulligan is a native Rochesterian, ordained in Rome, Italy, following graduation from the North American College there. He has also attended St. Andrew's and St. Bernard's Seminaries and Harvard and Cornell Universities. He holds Masters Degrees in Theology and Developmental Sociology.

Father Mulligan has served as assistant pastor of Holy Cross Church in Rochester and Sacred Heart Church in Auburn. He was appointed director of the Office of Human Development in 1971. He is President of the Peace and Justice Committee of the Priests Councils



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of New York State, and is a member of the Citizens' Board on Outreach Voter Registration and of member of the Bishop Sheen Housing Foundation.

Schools Spokesman Calls for 'Attack'

Albany, N.Y. [RNS] — A Roman Catholic educator here has called on proponents of church-related schools to launch an "all-out attack" on the inconsistency practiced by the nation's federal courts in rendering decisions involving religious belief and education.

Pointing to two June 21 rulings, Brother Peter Pontolillo, S.M., executive director of the Catholic School Administrators Association of New York State, stated: "The (U.S.) Supreme Court says that church colleges may receive aid for secular education; at the same time a federal district court rules there is no such thing as secular education in church elementary and secondary schools."

As a result of the latter ruling, he noted, church-related schools "may not be paid even for state-mandated record-keeping and standardized testing."

(The high Court ruling declared constitutional a Maryland law providing state aid to church-related colleges if the money was used for sectarian purposes. The federal district court decision, in striking down reimbursements to religiously-affiliated schools for state-mandated services, said all aid to such schools served to advance the cause of religion.)

just doesn't have any religious significance at all."

He added that the public is being asked to believe that "sex education, psychology and 'personal development' courses, talks by Planned Parenthood groups, social problems programs, etc., are devoid of any element of indoctrination in someone's belief."

"Adding insult to injury," the Brother noted, "the Internal Revenue Service tells us our schools are not religious institutions and that tuition may not be taken as a deduction by parents because it is payment for secular service rendered."

He also stated that some public utilities classify church schools as small businesses, denying them a cheaper rate reserved for religious facilities.

In addition, he said, the National Labor Relations Board in a case involving teachers had ruled in Los Angeles that Catholic schools are not religious institutions "intimately involved with the Catholic Church."

"Church related schools are being hit both coming and going," Brother Pontolillo charged.

"The only solution for Catholics and others who believe in parental control of education and the integration of belief with all education is to attack the teaching of belief in any form in public schools on the same basis it is attacked in Catholic schools."

He urged them to organize and fight the IRS, public utilities and others who practice "financial discrimination" against non-public schools.

New Encounter Priest Sees Boon to Church

By MICHAEL GRODEN

"I have worked in the Marriage Encounter community for several years and I know it works. I know that it provides people with an adult experience of Faith. For many people this is the first Faith experience that they've had since childhood," said Father Edward Palumbos, newly-appointed priest executive for the diocesan Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Father Palumbos began his new assignment on June 23. He will reside at St. Monica's in Rochester. Some of his duties include: conducting ME weekends and Encounter publicity; working closely with leadership teams throughout the diocese; interpreting the aims, goals and purposes of Worldwide ME and providing a channel of communication and a vehicle of cooperation between units of the National Marriage Encounter movement.

Father Palumbos feels that ME increases vocations.

"In places where Marriage Encounter has been going for six years, it is from Encounter families that vocations are coming and that dynamic Christian living is actually



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happening. I think this is a great investment in the future of parish life."

Father Palumbos was ordained on March 24, 1972 at St. Charles Borromeo Church, Greece. He holds Master of Divinity and Master of Theology degrees from St.

Bernard's Seminary and has had clinical pastoral training at Richmond, Va. He was regional coordinator on liturgy for the Seneca-Cayuga region and was associated with the Family Life Office, Rochester, and the Family Planning Association in Cayuga County. Father Palumbos also began the Auburn Division of Divorced and Separated Catholics.

One of his major goals is to bring the encounter movement back to parish life. He feels that ME groups can become "inward" and get away from the parish community. It is his hope to "integrate the whole encounter experience back into parish and diocesan life", so that Worldwide Marriage Encounter can more readily accomplish its primary goal, Church renewal.

Father Palumbos said that he primarily is a parish priest and is saddened by leaving St. Alphonsus. "But I also see the tremendous power of Marriage Encounter to bring new life to the parishes throughout the diocese. I know that I can help in this process and I want to."

"I believe that Marriage Encounter is one of the very exciting spirit-filled ways in which the Lord is renewing His Church today. And I'm delighted to be a part of it," Father Palumbos said.

Two Dominican Nuns Mark Anniversaries

Elmira — Mother Theresa, OP, who founded the Dominican Monastery of the Perpetual Rosary on West Church Street 32 years ago, will celebrate her Diamond Jubilee Aug. 4.

Sister Mary of the Assumption, who also was in the original group that came here in 1944 from Buffalo, marked her Golden Jubilee on July 5.

Both entered the cloistered order in Buffalo. Mother Theresa in 1914 and Sister Mary 10 years later. The

anniversary dates refer to their profession of final vows, after two years as postulants and novices.

Mother Theresa is the former Florence Kelleher of Canisteo Center. Sister Mary, born in Buffalo, was christened Genevieve Conrad.

The anniversary Mass for the latter was celebrated at the monastery last Tuesday by Father Romanus Cessario, OP, of Providence College, who has spent time here studying the way of life of contemplative nuns.

Court's Rule Hit

New York — The Supreme Court's July 1 decision that states may not require a husband's consent to an abortion, or parents' consent for all minors, reflects a "narrow, negative and defensive" approach, Cardinal Terence Cooke said.

A constitutional amendment to protect unborn life is necessary "now more than ever," he declared.

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Discrimination Has Gone Underground, Housing Council Told

By MARTIN TOOMBS

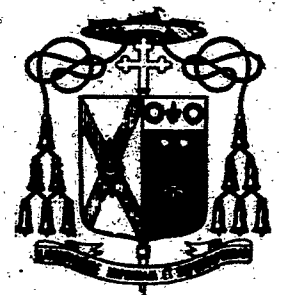
Suburbs in New York State that have exclusionary zoning laws could soon be forced to change them, according to Martin Sloane, general counsel for the National Committee Against Discrimination in Housing (NCDH).

Exclusionary zoning laws have a doubtful future, he said during a

recent visit to Rochester, as a result of action taken by NCDH in Middlesex County, N.J. Suit against 23 of the 25 municipalities in the county resulted in a judgment requiring immediate changes in the zoning laws of 11, and the inclusion of 1,335 units of low and moderate income housing in future development. A crucial element, according to Sloane, was that

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Diocesan Appointments



Father John Dillon, to priest in charge of pastoral ministry to the Spanish-speaking community in Rochester's Brown Square area, from director of the Spanish Apostolate.

Father Edward Golden, to associate pastor of St. Francis Xavier, Bay Street, Rochester, from the Spanish Apostolate. (Both appointments were effective July 2.)

Father Charles Mulligan, to director the Office of Social Ministry; effective Jan. 1, 1977.