

Father Edwin B. Wedow at 63, long devoted to Blessed Virgin

Father Edwin R. Wedow, 63, pastor of Holy Cross Church, Ovid died in Auburn Memorial Hospital on Monday afternoon, June 12, 1989, after a short illness.

Father Wedow, son of the late Edwin P. and Helen Marie Wedow, was born in Rochester. He was an alumnus of St. Francis Xavier Elementary School and Sts. Andrew's and Bernard's seminaries. Bishop Kearney ordained him to the priesthood in Sacred Heart Cathedral on June 6, 1953.

Father Wedow served as associate pastor at Blessed Sacrament and St. Cecilia's Churches, Rochester; St. Alphonsus, Auburn; and St. Francis de Sales, Geneva. In 1971 he was named Pastor of St. Thomas Aquinas, Leicester, and St. Lucy's, Retsof. Father Wedow became Pastor of St. Alphonsus Church, Auburn, in 1976, be-



coming pastor of Holy Cross Church, Ovid in 1978.

Although Father Wedow's health did not permit him to continue in Auburn, he was able subsequently to carry on a vigorous ministry in Ovid where he characteristically endeared himself to his people.

Friends and parishioners knew Father Wedow as a compassionate priest and loyal friend. He was a person in whose company everyone felt comfortable. He was essentially a simple, honest man who put on no airs. He simply was who he was.

In 1959 as Father Wedow was leaving the cathedral, Bishop Lawrence B. Casey described him as affable, competent, patient and unobtrusive in supervising the details of Pontifical Ceremonies as the bishop's master of ceremonies. A pari-

shioner in a later assignment described Father Wedow as the "pastor's right hand — a bull for work and a tremendous leader of men."

Father Wedow always had an abiding devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary and made it clear that the homilist at his funeral be instructed to mention the important part she played in his life.

Father Wedow is survived by a brother, Bernard Wedow of Webster, and several nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by a sister, Betty Costich.

Mass of Christ the High Priest will be celebrated in Holy Cross Church, Ovid, on Thursday evening, June 15, at 8 p.m., to be followed by the Mass of Christian Burial on Friday morning at 10:30 a.m. Interment will be in Webster Union Cemetery.

Two dioceses celebrate vast ordinations

WASHINGTON (CNS) — The dioceses of Richmond, Va., and Owensboro, Ky., are celebrating the priestly ordination of exceptionally large groups this spring.

Bishop Walter F. Sullivan of Richmond ordained eight men to the priesthood May 13. They join 175 active and retired diocesan priests serving some 135,000 Catholics.

Bishop John J. McRaith, whose Owensboro Diocese has a Catholic population of about 53,000, was scheduled to ordain seven men to the priesthood May 27 at the Owensboro Sportscenter. They will join 78 active and retired diocesan priests.

"Both are quite well above average" in the number of new priests, said Benedictine Father Adrian Fuerst, seminary research associate for the Washington-based Center for Applied Research in the Apostolate.

"Baltimore, for example, is ordaining four, and that's a large diocese," Father Fuerst said. The Archdiocese of Baltimore has a Catholic population of almost 440,000 Catholics with more than 400 active and retired diocesan priests.

Locally, the Diocese of Rochester ordained two men — Fathers Michael McHale and Michael Brown — to the priesthood this spring.

Father Fuerst said that in the United States, 474 candidates for the diocesan priesthood completed their fourth year of theology studies this spring. They are considered ready for ordination, although some dioceses require an additional year of studies or pastoral experience.

If each of those men were ordained for one of the 188 U.S. dioceses and jurisdictions, the average would be 2.5 new priests per diocese, Father Fuerst said. "That gives you some indication" of how exceptional the ordination classes are in Owensboro and Richmond.

The Diocese of Richmond has 12 seminarians preparing for the priesthood. Two have been ordained to the transitional diaconate and may be ordained to the priesthood next year.

The Diocese of Owensboro has 25 seminarians. Bishop McRaith hopes to ordain two men next spring, two in 1991 and one in 1992.

God's call

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Teresa.

"For I was hungry and you gave Me something to eat; I was thirsty and you gave Me drink; I was a stranger and you invited Me in; naked and you clothed Me; I was sick and you visited Me; I was in prison and you came to Me. Then the righteous will answer Him saying, 'Lord when did we see You hungry and feed You or thirsty and give You drink? And when did we see You a stranger and invite You in or naked and clothe You? And when did we see You sick or in prison and come to You? And the King will answer and say to them, 'Truly I say, to You, to the extent you did it to one of these brothers or sisters of Mine, even the least of them you did it to Me.'" — Matthew 25:35-40.

My journey has led me to visit and serve those in prison as part of Cephas-Attica. This is where my gifts and talents are most challenged. It has taken many years to get to this peace in my life and it is supported and witnessed to by those around me. This is the key — that we love and support one another in what God's calling us to do. To

the degree that we do this we will build the Church and renew the earth. Only by listening to God whispering in our hearts and having people we can share this with can we fill the yearning inside us to love and serve God with our heart, mind and soul.

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