



The Spirit of the Lord has filled the whole world

PENTECOST SUNDAY — The great feast of Pentecost completes the Paschal celebration. We celebrate today the mystery of the Spirit and that of the Church. We cannot separate the two mysteries, for it is in and through the Church that we receive the Holy Spirit and are guided to live in and with Him. (NC Photo)

Two Are Ordained To the Priesthood On Ascension Day

RALEIGH — "As Christ was different in His appearance and natural qualities from the time of His Resurrection to His Ascension, we too are expected to be different in our attitudes toward our Christian responsibilities," the Very Rev. Charles J. O'Connor said in the sermon during an Ascension Day Mass marking the annual Ordination rites here.

"We are expected to be forgiving, zealous for unity and peace, anxious to bring people to a greater appreciation of the mission of Christ, as clergy and laity alike share in the responsibilities of the People of God," Father O'Connor said.

The new parish church of St. Raphael's in the Millbrook sub-

urb of this city was filled with relatives and friends of the newly ordained priests, 125 altar boy visitors from parishes in the eastern and Piedmont sections of the State, Sisters of various convents and 38 of the clergy.

Two Ordained

The Holy Day Rites were the occasion of the ordination to the priesthood of the Rev. Alan J. Dash and the Rev. James E. Waters. The Most Rev. Vincent S. Waters, Bishop of the Diocese, was the ordaining prelate and the Most Rev. Charles B. McLaughlin, Auxiliary Bishop, assisted in the Sanctuary.

Also present in the sanctuary with chaplains were the Right Rev. E. McSweeney of Durham and the Right Rev. George E. Lynch of Sanford.

The Very Rev. Louis E. Morton, Chancellor, was notary and presented the two deacons to be advanced to the office of priesthood. Assisting the ordaining prelate as deacons were the Rev. John Richardson, host pastor, and the Rev. Frederick A. Koch of Cary.

The spacious sanctuary area of the new church, with the appointments and furnishings according to the recommendations of the recent directives of the Decree on the Sacred Liturgy, enabled the officiating clergy to conduct the Sacred Rites with ease and edification.

The Rev. Albert Todd of Swansboro and the Rev. Gerald E. Lewis of North Wilkesboro were Masters of Ceremony.

Choir Augmented

The choir of the parish was augmented by some visiting Sisters and a deacon friend of Father Dash, coming from Alexandria, La., for the occasion. The English rendition of the Litany of the Saints and the Hymn to The Holy Spirit were excellently rendered.

The newly ordained Father Waters has been appointed assistant pastor of St. John's Parish in North Wilkesboro and Father Dash has been appointed assistant pastor of St. Gabriel's Parish in Greenville.

A reception honoring Fathers Dash and Waters was held the evening before the Ordination at St. Raphael's Rectory. After the Ordination Mass, a breakfast was served to the honored guests and their families.

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Editor's Desk

It was the week-end of the turning ahead of the clocks for the switch to Daylight Saving Time. The ominous shadows of rank confusion first cast their shadows over the pastor's breakfast coffee when the daily harbingers of "putting the day's show on the road" . . . the janitor asked, "Father, Sister wants to know if the school bus is going out Monday on old time or new time?" Now the truth was dawning on the originality of these daily visits of foreboding breakdowns on the parish compound or the need of purchases made for the proverbial bailing wire to hold all things together.

Or it was the phone call of a lady parishioner made at exactly 1:15 in the afternoon . . . "Father, when is the last Mass?" . . . to which the reply was made, "the last Mass has been over for the past 25 minutes." "But Father, it is only 11:15 a.m., isn't there a noon Mass?" "Lady, I believe that you turned your clock back an hour last night instead of ahead." "Oh, Father, that's just what I have done, what will I do, my mother has never missed Mass on Sunday in her whole life, what will I ever tell her?" "I guess you will just

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Rev. Joseph Showfety

Father Showfety Named Pastor

RALEIGH — The Rev. Joseph Stephen Showfety has been appointed Pastor of the Immaculate Conception Parish at Hendersonville, effective June 6th, it was announced through the Chancery here this week.

The pastoral designation was cited among other clerical transfers and appointments of

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Diocesan Population Up 2,768 Over Year

RALEIGH — The general Summary of Statistics released by the Official Catholic Directory for 1967 related to the Diocese of Raleigh shows an increase of 2,768 in Catholic population over the figure of 53,242 given for last year.

However the figure given for infant Baptisms of native births within the diocese would set a figure of only 752 immigrating to the diocese from other parts of the country.

There has been an increase of 873 pupils under Catholic instruction, parochial and Confraternity classes over the total 20,632 of last year.

The 2,516 Baptisms decreased 187 over the previous year's total, infants 142 less and of adults by 46. Dependent children of the diocese number 55. The Catholic hospitals treated 62,791 patients.

In the field of education

there are presently 1,035 students in Diocesan high schools, S e Population, page 8A

House Approves Abortion Bill

RALEIGH, N.C. — The North Carolina House has passed by a voice vote a bill to revise the state's abortion laws. The bill, previously passed by the Senate, was returned to the Senate for approval of minor amendments.

The bill would permit abortions to protect the mental and physical health of a woman; to prevent the birth of a deformed or defective child, or where pregnancy resulted from rape or incest. Present law forbids abortions except to save a mother's life.

OFFICIAL

The following appointments are announced by the Most Reverend Bishop through the Diocesan Chancery:

Reverend Joseph Showfety is appointed Pastor of Immaculate Conception Parish, in Hendersonville, N.C., effective Tuesday, June 6, 1967.

Reverend Edward J. Waters is appointed Assistant Pastor of Immaculate Heart Parish in High Point, N.C., effective Wednesday, May 24, 1967.

Reverend Michael P. Shugrue is appointed Assistant Pastor of Our Lady of Lourdes Parish in Raleigh, N.C., effective Wednesday, May 24, 1967.

Reverend Leo E. McIlrath is appointed Assistant Pastor of Annunciation Parish at Havelock, N.C., effective Wednesday, May 24, 1967.

Reverend Allan A. Jacobs is appointed Assistant Pastor of St. Mary's Parish in Wilmington, N.C., effective Wednesday, May 24, 1967.

Reverend James E. Waters is appointed Assistant Pastor of St. John's Parish also an Apostolate Center of the Diocese in North Wilkesboro, N.C., effective Monday, May 22, 1967.

Reverend Alan J. Dash is appointed Assistant Pastor of St. Gabriel's Parish also an Apostolate Center of the Diocese in Greenville, N.C. effective Monday, May 22, 1967.

Louis E. Morton
Chancellor



Awaiting the procession of clergy to form before the Ordination Mass for the conferring of Holy Orders upon the new priests of the Diocese are the above principals, L. to R., the Most Rev. Charles B. McLaughlin, Auxiliary Bishop; the Rev. Alan J. Dash, ordained; the Most Rev. Vincent S. Waters, officiating prelate and Bishop of the Diocese, and the Rev. James E. Waters, also ordained. The Ordination took place at St. Raphael's Church, Millbrook, a suburb of Raleigh. (Photo courtesy of Ed Chabot)