

Bishop-Elect W. Francis Malooly Ordination Tomorrow

Bishop-elect W. Francis Malooly, Vicar General and Chancellor for the Archdiocese of Baltimore will be ordained an Auxiliary Bishop for the Archdiocese of Baltimore tomorrow, March 1, 2001. Cardinal William H. Keeler, Archbishop of Baltimore will appoint him at that time to the concurrent position of Western Vicar for the 38 parishes and six missions in Allegany, Carroll, Frederick, Garrett, Howard, and Washington counties in Maryland.

Bishop Malooly's ordination Mass will begin at 2:00 p.m. at the Cathedral of Mary our Queen, 5200 N. Charles Street in Baltimore. Admission is by ticket only. A media availability is scheduled for 1:10 p.m. at the Cathedral Parish Center, immediately behind the Cathedral. Media are also invited to attend the ordination Mass.

Cardinal William H. Keeler, Archbishop of Baltimore, Cardinal Theodore McCarrick, Archbishop of Washington, Cardinal James Hickey, Retired Archbishop of Washington, and 34 Archbishops or Bishops from around the country are scheduled to concelebrate.

Bishop-elect Malooly was born in Baltimore, Maryland on January 18, 1944. He attended elementary school at St. Ursula in nearby Parkville. Responding early to a call to the priesthood, he attended secondary and undergraduate school at St. Charles in Catonsville (now closed), followed by seminary training at St. Mary (Paca Street, now closed) and St. Mary, Roland Park (now St. Mary's Seminary & University). He was ordained a priest of the Archdiocese of Baltimore by his uncle, the late Bishop T. Austin Murphy, at the St. Ursula parish church on May 9, 1970.

Parish assignments included appointments as Associate Pastor at St. Joseph, Texas in 1970 and St. Anthony of Padua, Baltimore in 1976. He was Associate Administrator, then Administrator, at the CYO Retreat House (now Monsignor O'Dwyer Retreat House) in Sparks, Maryland from 1981-1984. In 1984, Bishop-elect Malooly became Director of Clergy Personnel for the Archdiocese of Baltimore. He was appointed Chancellor and Vicar General in 1989. In 1990 he was named Prelate

of Honor to the Holy Father with title of Monsignor. He is a member of the Knights of Malta. In April of last year, he was awarded the President's Medal by St. Mary's Seminary & University for his long service to the school and to the people, priests, and bishops of the Archdiocese of Baltimore.

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