

Rev. Armand Cyr Transferred From Basile to Hathaway Parish

BASILE-- Father **Armand Cyr**, pastor of the St. Augustine Catholic Church here, was informed last week by Bishop Jules Jeanmard that he is being transferred to the parish at Hathaway. The reason enclosed was because of "the poor health" of the 54 year old native of Canada who was ordained 25 years ago in New Orleans.

Father Jules Speyrer, a native of the Opelousas district will resume work in Basile as pastor of the church. Father **Cyr** will continue work in the newly organized parish at Hathaway, which is credited to the work of Father Speyrer. This smaller parish will afford less work for Father **Cyr** and will probably be a permanent assignment.

The building of the St. Augustine parish into one of the finest in the diocese is traced back to the arrival of Father **Cyr** twenty years ago. To his credit is given the building of the present church, rectory, convent and youth center, aside from help in establishing churches at Evangeline and Durald.

Friday the people of the parish presented a supper in honor of



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Father **Cyr**, and presented him with a rocking chair and \$115 as a going away present. The priest, displaying emotions as he leaves the parish which had become his home, promised the people his prayers.

Temporary assistant pastor Father Jean Parladise is also expected to leave soon.