

Fr. Namie Temporarily At St. Joseph's Here

The Rev. James B. Namie, currently of Detroit, Mich., is serving as temporary administrator of St. Joseph Maronite Parish in the absence of the pastor, the Rev. Paul E. Coury. He arrived in Waterville this week.

Father Namie announced hours of Masses at St. Joseph's will be 5:15 p.m. today (Saturday) and 10 a.m. Sunday.

ORDAINED A priest in June 1954, he has served in the Archdiocese of St. Paul in Minneapolis, Minn. He is presently: "on loan" to the Maronite Ex-

archate in Detroit, acting as liaison between the Most Rev. Francis M. Zayek and his people throughout the country.

Father Namie attended St. Paul Seminary in St. Paul, Minn., has a Bachelor degree in Philosophy and a Master's in history from the University of Minnesota. He speaks four languages fluently, French, English, Arabic and Latin and can "get by" in German.

He has been active in Church affairs in various ways. He has given retreats and missions, was an administrator in four parishes and served as pastor one year.

He has taught in college and worked in parochial institutions with both adults and adolescents. He also has seen service in veterans' hospital.

Of Lebanese parentage, Father Namie has bi-ritual faculties, both in Latin and Maronite Rites.

His first impressions of Maine and Waterville are very favorable. "I am amazed at the courtesy extended to me," he stated, adding, greetings on the street carry with them "warmth and sincerity."