

Father Ulincy leaving

A new pastor will take over at Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Slovak Catholic Parish in Mahanoy City on October 30.

Rev. Andrew Ulincy, pastor for ten years, is being transferred to the pastorate of SS. Simon and Judge Parish in Bethlehem, and will be replaced by Rev. William Maslar, current assistant at Sacred heart Parish in Allentown.

Father Maslar, aged 51, is no stranger to the parish, having served there as assistant in 1957-58. He also served as assistant at St. Joseph's in Frackville the year prior to that.

A native of Pottstown, he attended St. Peter's High School in Reading and was ordained in May 1956 after graduation from St. Charles Seminary. In addition to the aforementioned assignments, he has taught at Cardinal Dougherty High School in Philadelphia and Bishop Kenrick High School in Norristown, and served as assistant at Good Shephed in

Philadelphia, Sacred Heart in Phoenixville, Immaculate Conception in Jim Thorpe and the last three years at Sacred Heart in Allentown, which which time he also served as a special advicate on the Diocesan Tribunal.

For Father Ulincy, the new assignment will be a homecoming, as Bethlehem was the city of his birth on June 20, 1936.

Following ordination in May 1966, he served as a professor at Marian High with residence at St. Joseph's in Jim Thorpe, and three years later became pastor at Mahanoy City, continuing to serve as an associate professor at Marian until 1973. He also served as Carbon County director of vocations (1966-69), as secretary of the diocesan committee on ecumenism (1966-73), and director of the Family Life Bureau of Eastern Schuylkill (1974-77).

During his time in Mahanoy City, Father Ulincy has been very active in the ecumenical movement.