

Newly Ordained Priest Sets Mass For Harahan

Rodney C. Howell of Harahan was ordained to the priesthood by Bishop Lawrence M. DeFalco of Amarillo, Tex., July 6 in Lucian's chapel in Amarillo.

Prior to the ordination, he was ordained a subdeacon June 30 and was ordained to the diaconate July 3. Both ceremonies were conducted in Amarillo by Bishop DeFalco.

The new priest will offer his first Mass at 11:30 a.m. Sunday, July 11, in St. Rita Church, Harahan. A reception and first priestly blessing are set for 4 p.m. until 6 p.m. the same day in St. Rita parish hall.

The Rev. Howell is the son of Mrs. Celeste Howell and the late Alvar Howell of Harahan. He was born here Aug. 15, 1932, and attended Our Lady of Lourdes grammar school.

He attended St. Joseph's seminary, Covington, La., 1946-48; Mary Hill seminary, Alexandria, 1948-1952; and St. John's seminary, Little Rock, Ark. His theology studies were at St. Gregory's seminary, Shawnee, Okla., from 1955-1958, and at St. Bonaventure Seminary, Olean, N.Y. 1959-1960.

He did post graduate work at Sts. Cyril and Methodius seminary, Orchard Lake, Mich.

The Rev. Howell taught at St. Rita grammar school Harahan, from 1960-63, and at St. Lucian's seminary, Amarillo, 1963-64.

Officers of the First Mass to be offered by Father Howell will be the Very Rev. Roy Champagne, V.F., pastor of St. Rita parish, assisting priest; the Rev. Gerald Howell of St. Lawrence parish, New Orleans, a brother of the new priest, deacon; and the Rev. Mr. Michael Waczula, seminarian studying at Orchard Lake, subdeacon.

Monsignor L. T. Matthesen, rector of St. Lucian's seminary and editor of the West Texas Register, will preach the sermon.

The Rev. Howell's brother, the Rev. Gerald Howell, was ordained at New Orleans Dec. 19, 1964.



REV. RODNEY HOWELL

Little Farms Church Slates Sunday Movie

A film, "Centerville Awakening," will be previewed at 6:30 p.m. Sunday at the Faith Baptist Church, 444 Tudor Ave., Little Farms.

The movie has been termed "the most significant Christian film ever produced." It deals with a typical church in an American town and what happened when the pastor began "proclaiming the truth that men can be right with God."

"Centerville Awakening" was produced in close cooperation with more than 500 ministers from many denominations.

No admission will be charged at the Faith Baptist Church showing. People of all faiths are invited according to the Rev. Don Edwards, pastor.

Anyone desiring transportation to the church should call the Rev. Edwards at 729-3726.

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