

Troy Priest Transferred; Two Others Also Assigned

Three clergy appointments, including one in Troy, were announced today by Most Rev. Edwin B. Broderick, D.D., bishop of the Albany Catholic Diocese. All are effective Saturday.

Rev. Richard V. Testa, a Troy native and assistant at St. Mary's Church, Little Falls, has been transferred to St. Paul the Apostle Parish as assistant and chaplain at Samaritan Hospital.

Rev. Victor Puina, former assistant at St. Joan of Arc Parish, Menands, will become the new assistant at St. Mary's Parish, Glens Falls.

Rev. Richard F. Jones, native of Ballston Spa, ordained on March 10th, receives his first assignment at St. Mary's, Little Falls, replacing Father Testa.

Father Testa, ordained Nov. 20, 1971, at St. Patrick's, Troy, by Bishop Broderick, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Victor Testa of 512 3rd St. and brother of Rev. David Testa, assistant pastor at St. Patrick's, Troy.

Father Testa completed his theological training at Our Lady of Angels Seminary, Glenmont. He was graduated by Siena College and Fordham University. The Little Falls parish was his first assignment.

Father Puina, a native of Lithuania, was ordained on June 29, 1949 in Eichstat, Germany.

He came to the Albany Diocese in 1961 and served as chaplain at St. Clare's Hospital, Schenectady, for nine years before his appointment at St. Joan of Arc Parish.

Father Jones was ordained by Bishop Broderick after completing his theology courses at St. Mary's Seminary, Baltimore, Md.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Francis R. Jones of 101 Manchester St., Ballston Spa. He was graduated by Ballston Spa High School and received his B.A. degree from Canisius College, Buffalo.