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CEREMONY OF CONSECRATION

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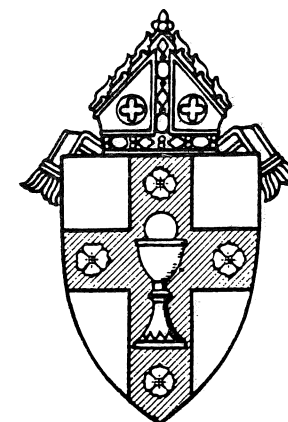
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JOHN JOSEPH NOBLE, D.D.*

*as Bishop Coajutor of New York of
The Eucharistic Catholic Church*

at the

*Metropolitan-Douane Church
7th Avenue at 13th Street*

2 o'clock, Sunday, October 5th, A.D. 1980



CONSECRATOR

His Eminence
The Most Reverend
Archbishop of New York
Robert M. Clement, S.T.D.
Primate of
The Eucharistic Catholic Church

CO-CONSECRATOR

His Eminence
The Most Reverend
Archbishop of Washington, D.C.
George A. Hyde, D.D.
Primate of
The Orthodox Catholic Church of America

PREACHER

THE MOST REVEREND ROBERT M. CLEMENT

ORDER OF SERVICE

OPENING HYMN: O God Our Help In Ages Past

PROCESSION

PRESENTATION AND ACCLAMATION

Most dearly beloved, the venerable law of the Church has set forth that worthy men be proposed as shepherds; through whose instruction in the Catholic Faith the Christian religion may stand firm, lest a robber violently rush into the Lord's flock, and as a thief in the night harm and scatter the sheep. Therefore, provision has been made by God for a Bishop, by whose ever watchful and immediate care the order of the Church and the faith of believers may be more firmly strengthened in love of the Lord. May this shepherd, by the authority of the apostles, exhibit in all doctrine the picture of good knowledge: may his character, conversation, appearance, deportment and learning be excellent. May he as a good shepherd instruct you in the Faith, teach you by the example of patience, govern you in the commandments of Christ. May he encourage you in all good work by the example of Love. Therefore we, according to the will of the Lord, do consent to the election of the venerable priest John, having heard the testimony of the synod, and the counsel of the people. We know him to be a man of excellent background: distinguished in behaviour, virtuous before God, steadfast in faith, rich in mercy; a man who holds tightly to all things for which a priest is chosen; a man who abounds in all good qualities.

Therefore most dearly beloved, let us together proclaim the merit of this most worthy man to receive the episcopate. Let us shout and say:

(All respond:) AXIOS, DIGNUS EST, HE IS WORTHY