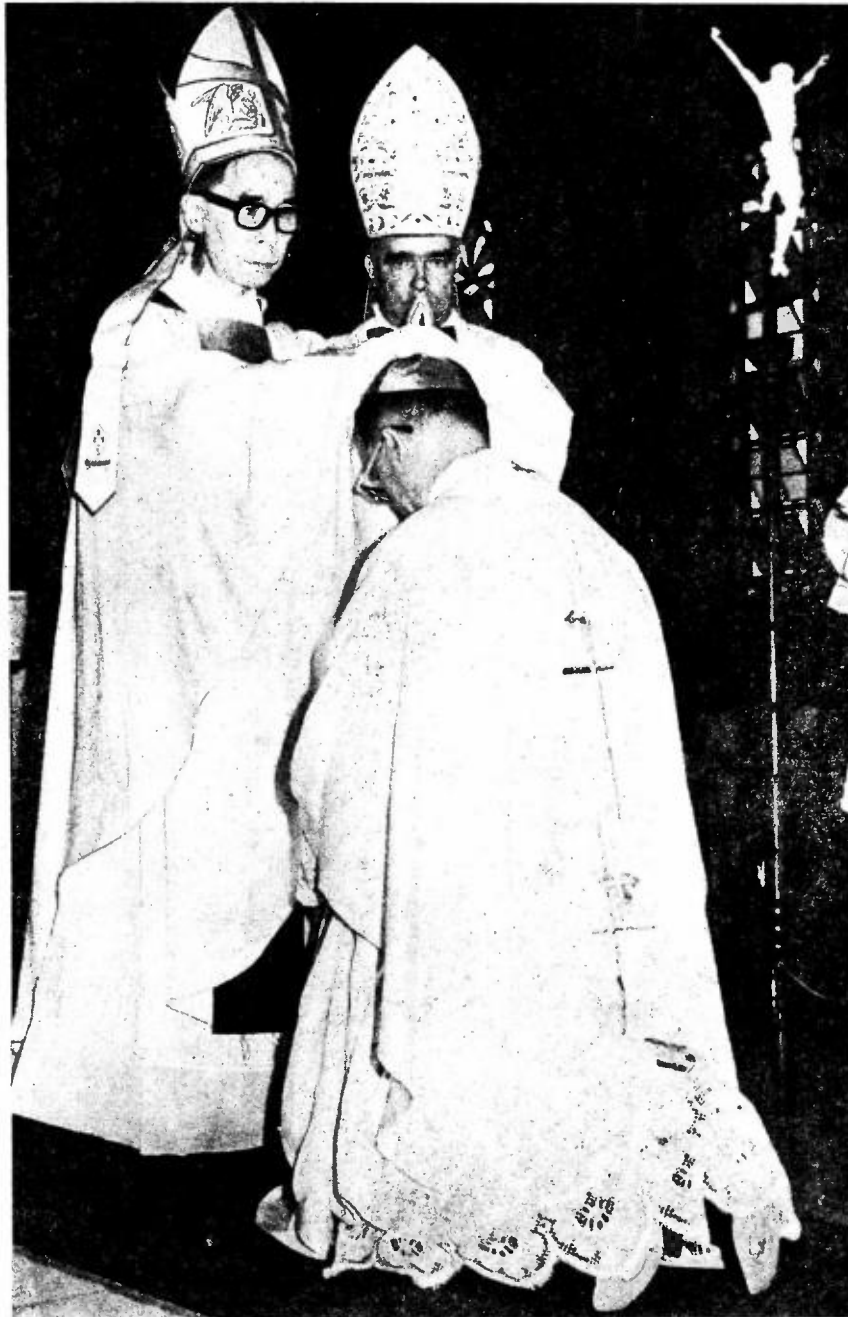


Ordination of Bishop Peter Lei

Auxiliary Bishop of Hong Kong

... The matter of the Holy Orders of Diaconate, Priesthood, and Episcopate is the imposition of hands and that alone; and the form (likewise the only form) is the words determining the application of this matter, which words signify in a univocal sense the sacramental effects — the power of Order and the grace of the Holy Spirit — and which are understood and used by the Church in this sense' — From the Apostolic Constitution 'Sacramentum Ordinis', 1947.



Bishop Francis Hsu of Hong Kong imposes hands on the head of his Auxiliary, Bishop Peter Lei, at the central moment of Bishop Lei's Episcopal Ordination. Bishop Paulo Tavares of Macao waits to impose hands.

Episcopal Ordination

ON Wednesday, September 8, in the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Bishop Peter Lei received Episcopal Ordination from Bishop Francis Hsu of Hong Kong, with Archbishop Stanislaus Lokuang of Taipei and Bishop Paulo Tavares of Macao as coconsecrators.

Bishop C. Lemaire, M.E.P., Bishop Saverio Labayen, O.C.D., of the Prelature of Infanta, P.I., and Bishop Carmelo Morelos y Flores of Butuan, P.I., were present and took part in the imposition of hands.

The sermon was preached, in Chinese and English, by Father J. O'Meara, S.J., who was Rector of the Regional Seminary, Aberdeen, when Bishop Lei went there in 1945.

The Lessons were read by Mr. Henry Au, President of the Cathedral Parish Council, Rev. Deacon Li Hou Wai, and Rev. Deacon Cheung Kar Hing.

The commentators were Father Ferdinand Lok, editor of Kung Kau Po, and Father James Fallon, director of the Catholic Centre.

Bishop Lei's assistant priests were Father Joseph Mak, P.P., and Father Vincent Lau, P.P., both of whom were ordained

priests with Bishop Lei in 1952.

The special guests included Bishop G. Baker of the Anglican Diocese of Hong Kong and Macao and Mrs. Baker, Bishop T. Otto Nall, United Methodist Church Bishop of Hong Kong, and Mrs. Nall, Dean Foster of St. John's Cathedral, Hong Kong, Miss Ko Siu Wah, Chairman, and Mr. Calvin Ngai, Executive Secretary of the Hong Kong Christian Council, Rev. Wong Tsok,

and Rabbi David Benhayon of the Hong Kong Synagogue.

St. Paul's Convent School Choir sang before the ceremony and a combined Cathedral and Diocesan choir, conducted by Father Gabriel Liu, sang during it — both very beautifully and very appropriately.

All this is dull detail. The real description of the ceremony is to be found in the many pictures in this issue.