

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that on Friday, the sixth of December, 1968, at 5:00 P.M., His Excellency, the Most Reverend Russell J. McVinney, D.D., Bishop of Providence, blessed the cornerstone and the new parish church of St. Brendan in Riverside, Rhode Island, observing the ceremonies of the Roman Ritual in the presence of the Most Reverend Bernard M. Kelly, D.D., Titular Bishop of Tegea, and Auxiliary of Providence, Right Reverend Monsignor John J. Kenny, Pastor of the new church, various members of the clergy, religious sisters, a large group of the lay members of the parish, and the Knights of Columbus.

Then His Excellency consecrated the altar of sacrifice and the altar of reposition of the church as portable altars. (The altar of sacrifice was consecrated in honor of St. Brendan, and contains the relics of St. Valerius, Martyr, St. Maria Goretti, Virgin and Martyr, and St. Pius the X, Pope and Confessor; the altar of reposition was consecrated in honor of the Blessed Sacrament and contains the relics of St. Maurice, Martyr, St. Pascal of Baylon, Confessor, and St. Maria Goretti, Virgin and Martyr). Finally, His Excellency celebrated a Low Pontifical Mass. The Right Reverend Monsignor Daniel P. Reilly and the Right Reverend Monsignor John J. Tully acted as Chaplains to His Excellency, Right Reverend Monsignor William I. Varsanyi and Reverend Kenneth A. Angell were the Masters of Ceremonies. The Right Reverend Monsignor John J. Kenny delivered the sermon on this solemn occasion. The ceremony was concluded by the blessing and the congratulatory remarks of His Excellency.

Given at Providence, Rhode Island, December 6, 1968

By order of the Most Reverend Bishop:

(Msgr.) William I. Varsanyi

Vice Chancellor