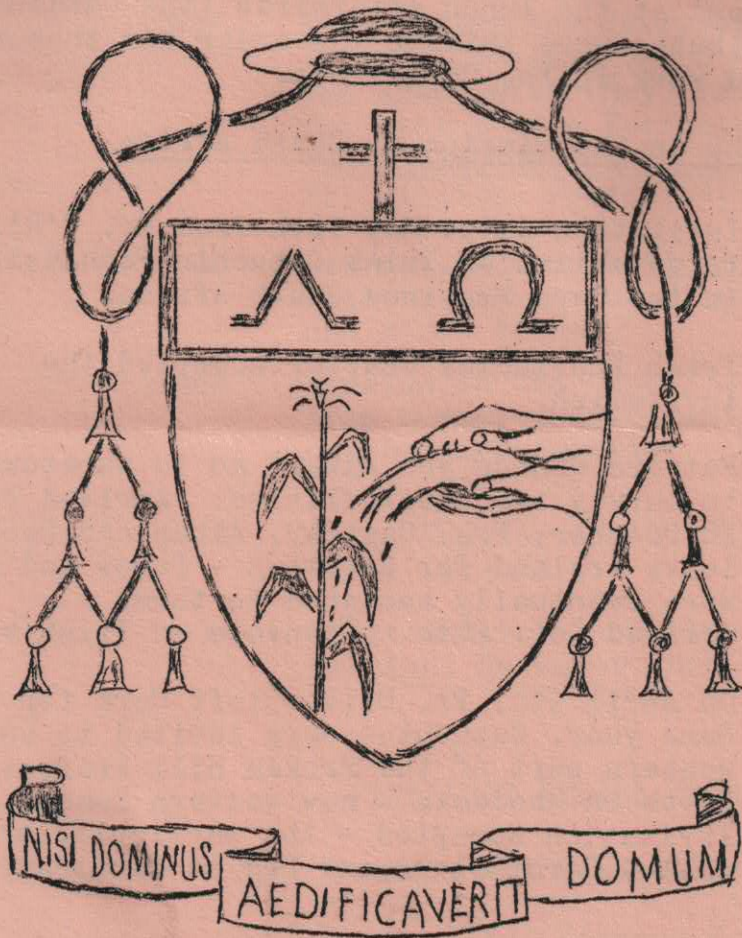


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Crest of the Bishop of Livingstone, Most Rev.

Adrian Mungandu.



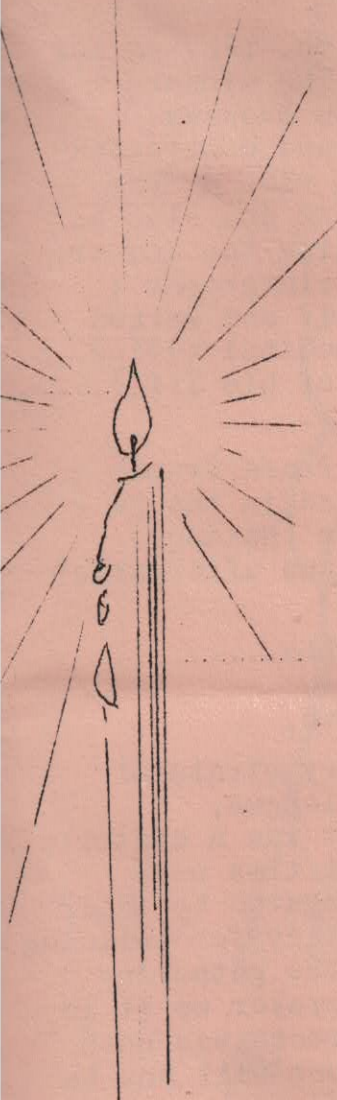
Cape Flats 1929 - 1979.

This year, Feb. 4th. 1979, marks the Golden Jubilee of the arrival of the Irish Capuchins in Capetown. Celebrations were held in each of our houses with the climax in Parow on the 4th of October. On that day about sixty clergy including the Cardinal and two bishops concelebrated mass. During the mass (Bishop Breen) and at the lunch afterwards (the Cardinal) Many tributes were paid to the order and to our splendid work in the Cape Flats.

Landmarks in the Mission to South Africa

- 1927 Invitation dated May 12th from Dr. O'Riley to establish an Irish Capuchin Foundation in the Cape Province South Africa.
- 1928 Irish Provincial Chapter accepted the invitation.
- 1929 Fathers Canice and Edward go to Capetown to survey the possibilities. Arrived Feb. 4th. In October, Frs. Casimir, Alban and Declan leave Ireland for Capetown - Parow and Athlone were eventually assigned to them. Arrived Oct. 20th. Pioneers of Irish Work there.
- 1930 On April 9th, Fr. Oliver left Cork for the Cape. Same year, Capuchins were invited to work in the western part of the Broken Hill Prefecture, Northern Rhodesia - now western Zambia. Invitation accepted - the particular area was called Barotseland and had no missionaries.



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- 1931 On September 10th. Frs. Phelim, Seraphim and Killian left Cork for Barotseland. Fr. Casimir had already been to Livingstone and Frs. Declan and Killian came up from Capetown the same year.
- 1936 Barotseland was declared an independent mission on March 10th. and then later (May) raised to the status of a Prefecture - the PREFECTURE of VICTORIA FALLS. Fr. Killian, Prefect Apostolic.
- 1950 Prefecture made a VICARIATE, with Fr. Phelim as Vicar Apostolic and first Bishop.
- 1968 Mission in the Cape Flats, Capetown became independent under its own Regular Superior - Fr. Ronald O.F.M. Cap.
- 1977 First Chapter in the Cape, April 19 - 20.
- 1978 First Chapter in Livingstone Mission, December 28th.

Superiors in the Cape Flats.

1. V. Rev. Fr. Ronald Grace  
1968 - 1971
2. V. Rev. Fr. Didacus McGrath  
1971 - 1977
3. V. Rev. Fr. Bartholomew Prendeville  
1977 -



News from the Cape.....

..... "we had a clergy golf competition, playing for the first time for the Capuchin Trophy. The winner turned out to be none other than the brave Buckley. His success was all the more interesting and unextected as he had been laid up for the past month with a form of fibrositus on his right shoulder and arm and also on the back of his neck. He has been attending the doctor, and for the past two weeks undergoing physioteraphy ; for over a month he has not played any golf and warned not to do so. However, contrary to all medical advice, he 'togged out' and played the best golf of his life'..... So the Capuchin Cup was kept in the family.

One other Cap, also received a prize - Bernard Cronin a novice to the world of golf, who was second in the 24 handicap grade, being beaten by the bishop (Naidoo). We had a lunch etc. at the friary in Athlone afterwards"

and from the Dioceses of Livingstone, Zambia.....

Diocesan Pastoral Meeting, Aug. 28-30th.

A Conference, fully representative of every strata of Catholicism in the Diocese was held at Malengwa, Mongu, during the last week of August. It was a historic occasion ; gathered together for the first time were priests, religous and lay-people, all delegated by their respective authorities to hammer out a policy for 'building the Church in western Zambia'. Prior to the gathering there had been months of work, study and prayer so it is not suprising that the fruit of the Conference was both successful and encouraging. The resolutions will now be carried back to the local churches.