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FOR RELEASE - MONDAY, MAY 28, 1973

Doctor of Humanities Conferred
on Three at Salve Regina Commencement

A theologian and diocesan administrator, a Navy chaplain and a retiring college president - - - will receive honorary doctorates at the twenty-third commencement of Salve Regina College, Newport, R. I., today (Monday, 5/28/73).

They are:

The Right Reverend Monsignor Daniel P. Reilly, Vicar General, Diocese of Providence;

Captain Carl A. Auel, CHC, U. S. Navy, presently stationed in Pensacola, Fla.;

Sister Mary Christopher, R.S.M., president for five years at Salve Regina.

Monsignor Reilly, who celebrated baccalaureate Mass on Sunday (5/27/73) at St. Mary's Church, Newport, graduated from St. Michael's School, Providence; Our Lady of Providence Seminary, Warwick Neck, R. I.; and the Grand Seminaire, St. Brieuc, France. He holds a Bachelor of Business Administration degree from Boston College and also attended the Harvard University Graduate School of Business Administration.

He was appointed Assistant at the Cathedral of Sts. Peter and Paul, Providence, R. I. in 1953; appointed Assistant Chancellor in 1954; Bishop's secretary in 1956; and Chancellor in 1964.

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In August of 1971, Monsignor Reilly was named administrator, S. V., of the Diocese of Providence, to January of 1972. In April of the same year, he was named Vicar General of Providence.

The Right Reverend Monsignor became State chaplain for the Knights of Columbus in 1964. He was named Domestic Prelate by Pope John XXIII in 1965.

Monsignor Reilly received honorary Doctor of Laws degrees from both Providence College and Our Lady of Providence Seminary in 1971.

Chaplain Auel received an A.B. in Sociology from Capital University in 1951; a B.D. in Theology in 1955, from the Lutheran Theological Seminary; attended San Diego State College and Union Theological Seminary in 1961 and 1962; and received a Master's degree in Education in 1971 at Boston University, where he is presently a doctoral candidate. He has served in the U. S. Navy since 1955. Chaplain Auel gave today's Commencement Address at the College.

Sister Mary Christopher, R.S.M., received her A.B. degree from Pembroke College of Brown University, as Mary Francis O'Rourke and was a social worker in Woonsocket, R. I. before joining the Religious Sisters of Mercy.

Since becoming a Religious, she earned her M. A. degree in 1955 and her Ph.D. in 1962, both at Notre Dame University. She spent the six months previous to her college presidency (1967) as a Visiting Scholar at the University of Michigan Center for Studies in Higher Education.

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Sister Mary Christopher will confer a Doctor of Humanities degree on both Monsignor Reilly and Chaplain Auel.

Her honorary degree of Doctor of Humanities will be conferred by Dr. John F. Quinn, Chairman of the Board of Trustees of Salve Regina College.

The Salve Regina graduation ceremonies are scheduled for 11:00 a. m. , on the oceanside Terrace of Ochre Court, (or in case of inclement weather, at Roger's High School Auditorium), Newport.

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