## Boston's Missionary Bishops

## Bishop Joseph N. Dinand, SJ



Bishop Joseph N. Dinand, SJ cester (1911-1918, 1924-1927).

In 1926, the Jesuit's Maryland-New York Province was divided and the New England Province was born. The Jamaica mission was assigned to the New England Province and the successor to Bishop O'Hare would be chosen from the new province.

Joseph Nicholas Dinand was born in Boston on Dec. 3, 1869, the feast of St. Francis Xavier, to John and Julia (Looney) Dinand. Like his predecessor, he received his primary and secondary education in Boston and, likewise, after beginning his college studies at Boston College, he interrupted them to join the Society of Jesus. His Jesuit formation and higher education paralled that of the future Bishop O'Hare. He entered the Jesuit Novitiate at Frederick, Maryland, on Aug. 15, 1887, continued his college studies at Woodstock's College of the Sacred Heart, and took his first vows on Aug.15, 1880. He was ordained a priest in the same ceremony as Father O'Hare by Cardinal Gibbons on June 25, 1903 and along with Father O'Hare, he pronounced his final vows on Aug. 15, 1906.

His priestly ministry was centered on education. He spent three years, 1905-1908, in Jamaica on the faculty of St. George's College. Upon returning to the United States, he held several positions in the Maryland-New York Province. He served two terms as President of Holy Cross College in Wor-

Father Dinand was appointed Titular Bishop of Selinus and Apostolic Vicar of Jamaica on July 12, 1927. He was ordained a bishop on Oct. 30, 1927 in the Memorial Chapel of Holy Cross College by Bishop Thomas Mary O'Leary of Springfield, who was assisted by Bishop John Joseph Rice of Burlington and Bishop John Gregory Murray of Portland.

Bishop Dinand's health deteriorated in less than a year after he arrived in Jamaica and he resigned as apostolic vicar on Oct. 4, 1929. Bishop Dinand died on July 29, 1943 at Weston.

Next week - Bishop Thomas A. Emmet, SJ



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