

News in Brief

THREE BISHOPS ELECTED IN SHANXI PROVINCE

Silvester Li Jiantang, 65, was elected Auxiliary Bishop of Taiyuan diocese in March 1990. Li was born in 1925 and joined the Franciscan Minor Seminary in Dong'erkou in the 1940's. He was ordained priest by Bishop Francis Han Tingbi in 1956.

Guo Yinggong, presently the rector of the Taiyuan Seminary at Ge-liaokou, was elected Bishop of Datong early this year. Guo is 73 years old and was ordained in 1951.

Bonaventure Luo Juan was also recently elected Bishop of Shouzhou. He was born in 1916 and was ordained priest in 1949.

The three candidates will be consecrated in June but the exact date has not yet been confirmed.

NEW BISHOPS FOR INNER MONGOLIA AND ANHUI

Zhu Wenyu of Chifeng Diocese and Guo Zhengji of Bameng Diocese have been elected bishops recently. They were scheduled to be consecrated in May in Hohhot City, Inner Mongolia.

Meanwhile, Zhang Fengzao was consecrated Bishop of Wuhu on May 27 in Beijing. Bishop Zhong Huaide was the principal consecrator while Bishop Tu Shihua and Bishop Zhu Huayu of Bengbu were co-consecrators.

NEW CATHOLIC VERSIONS OF THE BIBLE FOR CHINA

The Catholic Church in China will print and distribute 10,000 copies of Studium Biblicum Chinese Bibles this summer. The National Church Affairs Association and the Hong Kong based Franciscan Studium Biblicum have reached an agreement that will make this Catholic Chinese version available to Catholics throughout China.

At the same time, the Shanghai Diocese is preparing a Chinese translation of the New Testament from the Jerusalem Bible. The work is expected to reach completion by the end of this year.