



BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION



Most Reverend John Francis Donoghue Fifth Archbishop of the Archdiocese of Atlanta

Born: August 9, 1928

Ordained: June 4, 1955

Installed Second Bishop of Charlotte:

December 18, 1984

Installed Sixth Bishop, Fifth Archbishop of Atlanta:

August 19, 1993

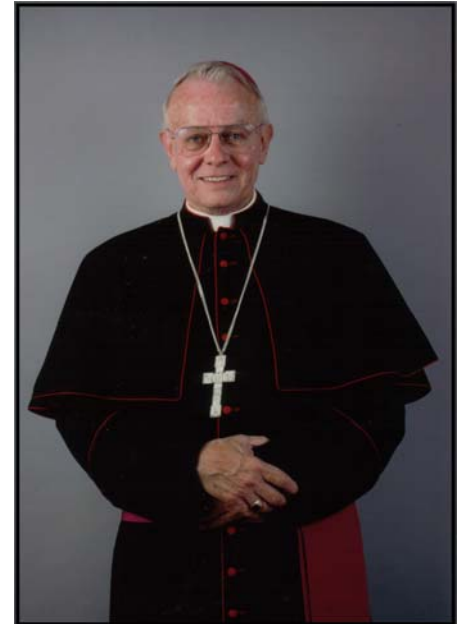
Archbishop John Francis Donoghue was born in Washington, D.C. on August 9, 1928, the son of Daniel and Rose Ryan Donoghue. Both of his parents were Irish immigrants, his father a government lawyer and his mother a domestic, who met and married in Washington. He has three brothers, all of them in the Washington, D.C. area.

All of his studies were in the Washington, D.C. and Maryland area. He attended Park View School, Washington; Sacred Heart School, Washington; Gonzaga High School, St. Charles College, Catonsville, Maryland, and St. Mary's Seminary, Baltimore. Following ordination, he did a year of graduate studies at The Catholic University of America School of Canon Law. He has the academic degrees of Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Sacred Theology, Bachelor of Canon Law and Licentiate of Canon Law.

Archbishop Donoghue was ordained to the priesthood in St. Matthew Cathedral, Washington, on June 4, 1955. He served as assistant pastor of St. Bernard's Church, Riverdale from 1955-1961; as assistant pastor of the Holy Face parish, Great Mills, Maryland from 1961-1964. After a year of graduate studies in canon law, he joined the staff of the Archdiocesan Chancery (Washington) where he was Chancellor/Vicar-General and served there until his appointment as Bishop of Charlotte in late 1984. He served successively with Patrick Cardinal O'Boyle, now deceased, with William Cardinal Baum, now assigned to the Vatican, and with James Cardinal Hickey, now deceased.

In 1970, he was given the papal rank of Chaplain to His Holiness with the title "Monsignor." A year later, he was raised to the additional monsignorial rank of Prelate of Honor.

On August 19, 1993 he was installed the fifth Archbishop of Atlanta. As his motto, Archbishop Donoghue chose "To live in Christ Jesus." His emphasis has been on restoring reverence and respect for the presence of Christ in the Eucharist. The Archbishop has held a Eucharistic Congress each year for the past ten years. In addition, a growing number of parishes and missions have instituted regularly scheduled times of Eucharistic adoration: ten have perpetual adoration chapels; over 30 have weekly adoration times; and another 20 have a monthly time of adoration, usually on first Friday.



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