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Rev. Slafkosky Takes Oath As Navy Chaplain

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The Rev. Andrew L. Slafkosky, teacher of Latin in Allentown Catholic High School and who has been in residence at St. John the Baptist Slovak Church, Allentown, was sworn into the Navy yesterday at Philadelphia. He was commissioned a lieutenant, junior grade, and will report Saturday at the Navy Chaplain's School at William and Mary College for his indoctrination course.

The Rev. Slafkosky, 29, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Slafkosky, 722 Hillside Avenue, Bethlehem, is a native of Bethlehem, where he attended the Bethlehem Catholic School, went on to St. Charles Seminary at Overbrook, where he was ordained on May 26, 1938. He took three years of post-graduate work at the Catholic University, Washington, D. C., and received his doctorate of canon law there.

In addition to his teaching studies at Central Catholic High School, the Rev. Slafkosky has also had a part in the athletic coaching duties at the school. He introduced and made extensive use of the T formation in the school's football team in his duties as coach of the backfield and ends.

Last year he coached the baseball team, but during the past season, because of the pressure of other work, he coached the pitchers and catchers only of the baseball team.

He has a brother in service, A. Leonard, now attending the Marine Corps Officers' Candidate School at Quantico, Va. He has another brother, John, who is married and lives at the Bethlehem address with his parents. Both John and his father are employed at the Bethlehem Steel Company.

He leaves his duties in Allentown with the well-wishes of Msgr. Leo G. Fink, head of Central Catholic High, and Dr. George M. Petro, rector of St. John the Baptist Church.

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