Most Rev. Woznicki Coat of Arms

Motto: VERITATEM IN CARITATE | Truth in Charity



Bishop Woznicki's shield is properly divided into halves. In the left -- the jurisdiction half -- is placed the coat-of-arms of the Catholic Diocese of Saginaw. In the right -- the personal half -- there is shown the personal arms of Bishop Woznicki.

Symbols of his ancestry and of the two seminaries where he received his theological training are displayed on the coat-of-arms of Bishop Woznicki.

The shield is divided in two sections. The upper part has a background of blue with a young bull's head. The bull's head is from the original coat-of-arms of the Woznicki family.

The lower part of the shield is red with a gold open book and cross. On the pages of the book are shown the first and last letters of the Slavonic alphabet as composed by SS. Cyril and Methodius, apostles to Poland. The cross and the book are two symbols of the same

saints. Bishop Woznicki obtained his classical and part of his theological education at SS. Cyril and Methodius Seminary in Orchard Lake. The sword of silver is the symbol of St. Paul. Bishop Woznicki completed his theological studies at St. Paul Seminary in St. Paul, Minn.; the feast of the Conversion of St. Paul is the day he selected for his episcopal consecration.

Above the shield are seen the mitre, cross, and crozier in gold, all symbols of the episcopal rank. The episcopal green hat and the six tassels are also part of the bishop's shield.

The motto, adopted by Bishop Woznicki, is the inscription beneath the shield, VERITATEM IN CARITATE, which means "Truth in charity," and is taken from the writings of St. Paul.

- From information provided at Bishop Woznicki's installation.