Baltimore Priest Named Rural Dean

Cardinal Shehan announced today the appointment of the Rt Rev. George L Hopkins as Rural Dean of Western Maryland and pastor of St. Patrick's Church in Cumberland.

Monsignor Hopkins replaces the late Msgr. J. Lawrence Kilkenny in both posts. Kilkenny died last September.

Hopkins is being transferred from the Basilica of the Assumption in Baltimore.

In other appointments announced today, the Rev Michael K. Carney, pastor of St. Peter the Apostle in Oakland, Md., was named pastor of St. Ambrose in Baltimore.

The Rev. Regis G. Larkin, assistant at St Ursula in Baltimore, replaces Father Carney in Oakland.

The Rev. Francis J. Linn, pastor of St. Edward in Baltimore, was named pastor of Our Lady of the Fields, Millersville, Md, formerly a mission of St. Mary's, Annapolis.