

Cardinal Anthony J. Bevilacqua
Archbishop *Emeritus* of Philadelphia



PERSONAL AND FAMILY INFORMATION

Born: June 17, 1923

Birthplace: Brooklyn, NY

Parents: Luigi Bevilacqua and Maria Codella

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

Academic Degrees Earned:

- B.A., Cathedral College, 1943
- J.C.D., Gregorian University, Rome
- M.A., Political Science, Columbia University
- J.D., St. John's University, New York

Theologate:

- Seminary of the Immaculate Conception, Huntington, NY

PRIESTLY ORDINATION

Ordained to the priesthood on June 11, 1949 for the Diocese of Brooklyn

He was named a Monsignor in 1976.

EPISCOPAL APPOINTMENTS

Appointed Titular Bishop of Aquae Albae in Byzacena and Auxiliary Bishop of Brooklyn on October 7, 1980

Ordained on November 24, 1980

Subsequently appointed Bishop of Pittsburgh on October 7, 1983

Installed on December 12, 1983

Subsequently appointed Archbishop of Philadelphia on December 8, 1987

Installed on February 11, 1988

CARDINALATIAL CREATION

Elevation to the College of Cardinals announced: May 29, 1991

Date of Consistory at which Pope John Paul II created him Cardinal: June 28, 1991

Titular Church: Most Holy Redeemer and St. Alphonsus on Via Merulana

Rank: Cardinal-Priest¹

USCCB MEMBERSHIP

Committee on Pro-Life Activities, Consultant

OTHER MEMBERSHIPS

On September 1, 2000, Cardinal Bevilacqua was made Chairman of the Papal Foundation, an American foundation which assists the Pope in meeting the charitable needs of the Holy See.

HONORS AND AWARDS

On September 12, 2000 Cardinal Bevilacqua was awarded the *President's Medal* by St. John's University, and the *St. Thomas More Award for Outstanding Moral Leadership* by St. John's University School of Law and Alumni Association. On May 11, 2002, Cardinal Bevilacqua received an honorary degree of human letters from Gwynedd Mercy College in Gwynedd, PA.

¹ Canon 350, paragraph 1, states: "The College of Cardinals is divided into three ranks: the episcopal rank, which consists of both the cardinals to whom the Roman Pontiff assigns the title of a suburbicarian church and the oriental patriarchs who have become members of the college of cardinals; the presbyteral rank; and the diaconal rank."