

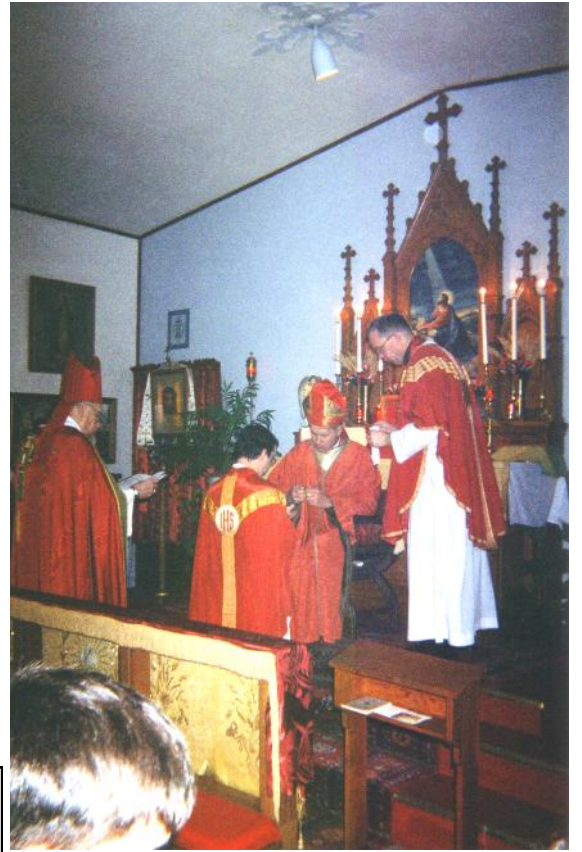
# Sacramental Life of the Old Catholic Church of BC

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### Priesthood



13 October 1996—ordination of Fr. Jürgen Schmode: During the ordination liturgy candidate for ordination lies prostrate as a sign of humility and of total self-donation to God

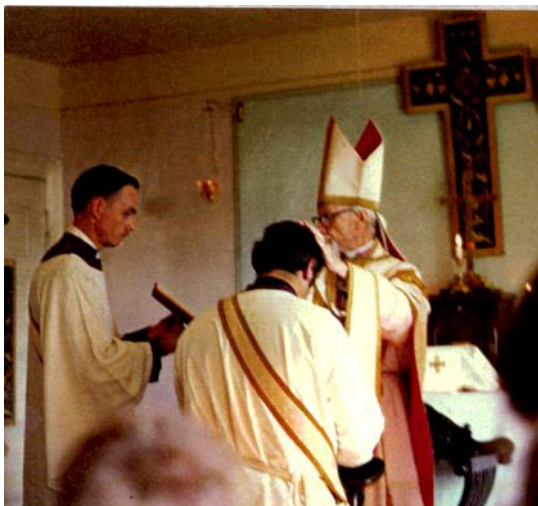


6 February 2000—ordination of Fr. Sylvain Tremblay: The anointing of the hands signifies that the hands of the newly ordained priest are being prepared for the sacred duties and vessels which will be part of the priestly ministry.

#### **When does the ordination actually take place?**

A man is ordained a Bishop, Priest, or Deacon with the laying on of hands and the prayer of consecration that follows. This ceremony has been observed by the Church since the time of the Apostles.

The laying on of hands by a validly-ordained Bishop on the head of a candidate for Holy Orders invokes the gift of the Holy Spirit to enable the newly-ordained Priest to exercise, in his special ministry, a sacred power for the sanctification of others.



5 October 1975—ordination of Fr. Gérard LaPlante: The laying on of hands



6 February 2000—ordination of Fr. Sylvain Tremblay: The laying on of hands

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20 November 2004—Every Priest takes a vow of canonical obedience; here Fr. Claude Lacroix signing the vow of canonical obedience



29 November 2006—ordination of Fr. Daniel Dulude picture after the service



**6 January 2002**—ordination of Fr. Stephen Hollander; Fr. Stephen is of Jewish descent; he was an adult convert and baptized in 1981. After moving to Vancouver, he joined the Old Catholic Church of BC; he is the head of the Forensic Accounting department at the British Columbia Institute of Technology and assists Fr. Alwin at Our Lady of Nativity Old Catholic Oratory in Surrey, BC



**21 November 2004**- The new Priest Fr. Claude Lacroix gives the first blessing to his fellow Priest, Fr. Alwin Hyndman.