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The Pastoral Activity of Archbishop Leonty of Chile

The Factual list for A.Psarev's in class presentation on Apr.11-th

1904 — Vasili Filippovich was born on August 6-th of 1904 in Kiev, Russia.

1922 — joined the Brotherhood of the Kiev Cave Monastery (Lavra). Became a cell attendant of Fr. Germogen (/Golubev/, A famous Bishop Confessor of Orthodoxy specially in Khrushchev time).

1927 — tonsured a monk. In 1928 ordained a hierodeacon. 1930 — hieromonk.

1932 March — first arrest by communists, 1933 — second arrest. Since 1937 -1941 life in underground.

1941 — Ukraine occupied by Germans. On 18 August of 1941 by the decision of the Bishops of the Ukrainian Autonomous Church (under the Russian Church) Archimandrite Leonty ordained a Bishop of Berdichev.



Bishop Leonty in 1942, Ukraine

1941 — 1943 on cathedra in Zhitiomir performed about 300 ordinations in the different clerical ranks.

1943 — In view of approaching the Soviet Army flee from Ukraine toward West.

1944 — Joined the episcopate of the Russian Orthodox Church Outside of Russia (/ROCOR/ which was founded in 1920 to provide a pastoral care for the needs of the refugees from Russia. Also known as the Russian Synod).

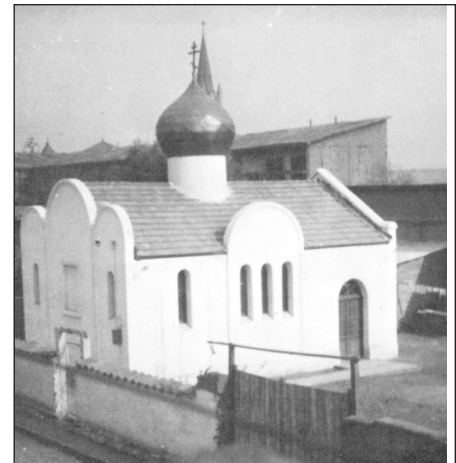
1945 — Assigned for Paraguay as a vicar Bishop of the Brazilian diocese.

1947-1952 — With the intervals lived near Encarnacion, Paraguay. For a short time joined the North American Metropolia.

1953 — Assigned for Chile (The First Russian parish in Santiago was established in 1937).

1957 — The First Orthodox church was consecrated in Lima by Archbishop :Leonty. Peru — part of the Archbishop Leonty's diocese (Later this parish left for the North American Metropolia).

1958 — The nuns from Palestine arrived in Chile and established convent there.



Old Holy Trinity cathedral in Santiago



Archbishop Leonty's grave on the Russian Orthodox cemetery near Santiago Chile

1962 — Participated in the establishment of the hierarchy for Greek Old Calendarists in Greece (In spite of the prohibition of the ROCOR Synod of Bishops).

1969 — Chilean diocese united with the Argentinian under the Archbishop Leonty as a ruling Bishop. Included: Argentina, Paraguay, Uruguay, Chile, Peru.

1971 — July the 2-nd reposed in Buenos Aires, Argentina.