

THE VERY REVEREND ALEXIUS J. DRISCOLL

The Central Commission of the Second Vatican Council has recently announced the appointment of Very Rev. Alexius J. Driscoll, O.P., S.T.M., as *peritus* for the Ecumenical Council's second session, scheduled to begin in September. Prior to his selection as one of the Council's advisers, Fr. Driscoll had spent seven years in Rome serving as *socius* to the Master General. Until his appointment he headed the newly formed Commission on Economic Matters for the Order and directed Third Order affairs at the *Curia Generalitia*.

Born and raised in St. Paul, Minn., Fr. Driscoll attended St. Thomas College in St. Paul until his interest in the Dominicans took him to Providence College. Entering the novitiate at Somerset in 1922, Fr. Driscoll pursued his studies in the Order and received his doctorate in philosophy from the Angelicum.

During his long and varied career, Fr. Driscoll has been student master, professor at River Forest, member of the Rosary College faculty, and director of the Thomist Association. He was elected prior at the River Forest studium for two successive terms, and was appointed first prior of the new St. Rose Priory in Dubuque, Iowa. In 1956 when Most Rev. Michael Browne, O.P., was elected Master General, Fr. Driscoll was appointed *socius* and was reappointed to the same office by the present General, Most Rev. Aniceto Fernandez, O.P.