

The Very Reverend Peter O'Brien, O.P., Provincial of St. Albert's Province, celebrated the Solemn Requiem Mass on March 25. The Deacon was the Very Reverend James D. Kavanaugh, O.P., and Reverend Gerard Conway, O.P. was sub-Deacon. Very Reverend Raphael Burke, O.P., preached the eulogy. Burial was in the Dominican Father's plot in St. Mary's cemetery, Minneapolis.

*Dominicana* extends its sincerest sympathy to his relatives and friends.

May he rest in peace!

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✠ BROTHER CHRYSOSTOM SEERY, O.P. ✠

The Fathers and Brothers of the House of Studies of St. Albert's Province, River Forest, Illinois, were profoundly saddened when God called home to Himself Brother Chrysostom Seery, O.P., on April 8, 1943. From his constant and serious questions, the Faculty came to appreciate Brother Chrysostom as an eager student. His Brothers in the Studium loved him for his frankness and his generous giving of himself for the sake of the community—in activities as varied as singing bass when songs were being sung, lettering a card in his beautiful penmanship or organizing a softball team to represent the Students' summer camp. He contributed many poems and articles to our Dominican publications. But his greatest excellence lay in his deep and solid spirituality. He drew most of his inspiration from his Bible, whose pages he read daily.

Franklin Seery came to Guzman Hall, Providence College, from St. Andrew's parish, Flushing, New York in 1934. He was graduated with honors four years later. He made his simple profession at St. Rose Priory, Springfield, Kentucky on September 12, 1939, and his solemn profession three years later at the House of Studies in River Forest. Shortly afterwards, he received the clerical tonsure and the first two Minor Orders.

Brother Chrysostom was stricken with a strange malady of the skin of which medicine unfortunately knows very little. He went to the infirmary in early March, then to Loretto Hospital in Chicago three weeks later. Serious complications soon caused his death on Thursday, April 8. He was just twenty-eight years old, and five years from his reception of the habit.

The Solemn Mass of Requiem was celebrated by Reverend T. G. Kinsella, O.P., the Master of Students. Reverend John Marr, O.P., Sub-Master, was the deacon and Reverend Mark Barron, O.P., of

Fenwick High School, was subdeacon. Brother Chrysostom was buried in All Saints cemetery.

Father Kinsella preached the final tribute, taking for his text the words of St. Paul, "O Death, where is thy victory?" Father explained that for the just death had no victory, no sting. Brother Chrysostom was one of the just, in belief, in works, in the perpetual dedication of himself to God he had so recently made. His vows he kept with great steadfastness of purpose, seriousness of intention, deliberateness of fulfillment. He made a most beautiful Last Communion. His preparation and thanksgiving he made aloud. He took as his theme the two disciples on the road to Emmaus and their great joy when they recognized Christ in the breaking of bread. He has not lost his life, Father concluded, but changed it. Neither have we lost him, but have him still, far better than ever before.

*Dominicana* shares the sorrow felt by the brethren of St. Albert's province and extends its sympathy to Bro Chrysostom's parents, relatives and friends.

May his soul rest in peace!