



REVEREND FRANCIS JOHN TWOHIG, O.P.

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HE Reverend Francis John Twohig, O.P., observed the fiftieth anniversary of his ordination to the Priesthood at his home Priory, St. Rose's, Springfield, Kentucky, on March 7. The Very Reverend T. S. McDermott, O.P., S.T.Lr., LL.D., Provincial of St. Joseph's Province, presided at the Solemn High Mass in Father Twohig's honor.

Father Twohig was born at North Adams, Massachusetts, on March 28, 1867, the son of Michael and Mary Twohig. He received his primary education at the public school in Pawtucket, Rhode Island, and his secondary education from the Christian Brothers at La Salle Academy, Providence, Rhode Island. He began his novitiate with the reception of the habit at St. Rose's Priory, on November 21, 1889, made his profession at the same convent on November 25, 1890; and completed his philosophical and theological studies at St. Joseph's Priory, Somerset, Ohio. He was ordained at St. Joseph's Church, Somerset, on March 7, 1895. Bishop Watterson was the ordaining prelate.

This honored son of St. Dominic began his apostolate at St. Peter's Church, Memphis, Tennessee. Then he became the pastor of Holy Trinity Church, at Somerset, Ohio. He continued his faithful and inspiring service at Holy Name Church, Kansas City, Mo.

Father Twohig then went to administer to the needs of the diocese of Sioux Falls, South Dakota, which at that time was under the authority of Bishop O'Gorman. After performing the duties of parish priest at Holy Rosary Church, Portland, Oregon, a service which began in 1914, Father Twohig went to St. Antoninus' Church at Newark, New Jersey. In 1919 he became the chaplain for the Maryknoll Sisters at the Convent of the Holy Rosary, Hawthorne, New York. After further parochial work at St. Patrick's Church, Columbus, Ohio, and at St. Joseph's Church at Somerset, he became military chaplain for the United States National Sanitorium at Johnson City, Tennessee. Since 1928, his activity has been devoted to the parishes of St. Joseph's Church, Somerset, and of St. Rose's Church, Springfield, Kentucky. He has been stationed at the convent attached to this latter church since 1940.

*Dominicana* joins the members of St. Joseph's Province in extending heartfelt felicitations to Father Twohig.