

✠ THE REVEREND RICHARD JEROME MEANEY, O.P. ✠

The Reverend Richard Jerome Meaney, O.P., of St. Rose's Priory, Springfield, Kentucky, died suddenly on April 3 in the refectory of St. Rose, while performing his office of Vicar of the Prior.

The Very Reverend Charles I. Litzinger, O.P., Prior of the House of Studies in Washington, D. C., celebrated the Solemn Mass of Requiem on April 6 at St. Rose's Church. He was assisted by the Reverend E. A. Vitie, O.P., as deacon, and the Reverend R. G. Ferris, O.P., as subdeacon. The Reverend H. J. McManus, O.P., former prior of St. Rose's Priory and present pastor of St. Thomas' Church, Zanesville, Ohio, preached the eulogy. Father Meaney was buried in the cemetery at St. Rose.

Father Meaney was born in Louisville, Kentucky, on August 16, 1859, of the late James and Mary Meaney. He received his education at the grammar school of the Xaverian Brothers of Cathedral Parish, at the Dominican School, during night classes at the school at Centre and Walnut Streets and at the Public School of Architectural Drawing. On the recommendation of the Very Reverend M. D. Lawler, he left Louisville to begin his studies for the secular priesthood at St. Joseph's College, Bardstown, Kentucky and then at St. Charles' College, Howard County, Maryland. However, Father Meaney decided that his was a religious calling and so returned to his native state to enter the Dominican Order at St. Rose's Priory. He received the Dominican habit from the Very Reverend J. F. Colbert, O.P., on November 25, 1890. After his year of simple novitiate, he made simple profession at the same convent December 5, 1891, and then went on to St. Joseph's Priory, Somerset, Ohio, to pursue his theological studies. Here, on December 6, 1894, he made solemn profession, and on March 5, 6, and 7, 1895, he was ordained subdeacon, deacon and priest by Bishop Watterson in St. Joseph's Church, Somerset, Ohio.

After spending a year in parochial work at Holy Rosary Church, Minneapolis, Minnesota, Father Meaney became subprior and master of Novices at St. Rose's Priory. From 1899 until 1902 he served as prior of the same convent. After his term of prior he was assigned to St. Dominic's Priory, Washington, D. C., to superintend the building of the College of the Immaculate Conception. Still assigned to St. Dominic's Priory, he went to St. Patrick's Church, Columbus, Ohio, in 1905 to erect the new St. Patrick's High School (now Aquinas College High School). He returned to Washington after a year, to supervise the completion of the chapel of the House of Studies. In

1906, he returned to Columbus to become the first president of St. Patrick's High School. Here he remained until 1913, when he was assigned to Holy Trinity Parish and the Rosary Press, Somerset, Ohio. Until 1920, Father Meaney was an examiner for the parochial schools of the diocese of Columbus.

From 1920 on, Father Meaney was assigned to St. Dominic's Priory, Washington, D. C. (until 1921), and to Providence College, Providence, Rhode Island, where he was professor of the classics and treasurer. In June, 1930, he retired to St. Rose's Priory, Springfield, Kentucky.

*Dominicana* joins in mourning the passing of Father Meaney, and extends sincere sympathy to his brother, his relatives and many friends.

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### THE VERY REVEREND

✠ BERNARD CHARLES MURRAY, O.P., P.G. ✠

The Very Rev. Bernard Charles Murray, O.P., P.G., died at Oak Park Hospital, Oak Park, Ill., on April 3, 1946.

Father Murray was born on February 17, 1868, in Peru, Indiana, the fourth of the five children of John and Mary (Connaughton) Murray. He received his elementary and secondary education at St. Charles School, Peru. His college training was taken at St. Vincent's College, Germantown, Pa. He entered the Dominican novitiate of St. Joseph's Province in October, 1888 and made his religious profession on November 21, 1889. After his philosophical and theological studies at St. Joseph's, Somerset, Ohio, he was ordained to the priesthood on November 10, 1894, by the Most Reverend John A. Watterson, Bishop of Columbus. The Golden Jubilee of his ordination was celebrated at the House of Studies, River Forest, Ill., in 1944. He died in the fifty-eighth year of his religious profession.

His first assignment was to parish work at St. Mary's, New Haven, Connecticut. During the course of his priestly ministry he also did parish work at St. Dominic's, Washington, D. C.; St. Thomas', Zanesville, Ohio and St. Dominic's, Denver, Colorado. Because of his preaching ability he was assigned to the mission band, with his headquarters at Minneapolis and then to the Western Missionary Band at St. Dominic's Church, San Francisco. He gave many missions and retreats throughout the West and Northwest. He also served on the Southern Missionary Band while stationed at St. Louis Ber-