

Obituary

The Rev. John Peter Morrissey, O.P.

Father John Peter Morrissey, O.P. died suddenly on November 21, 1960, on Staten Island, N.Y. Father Morrissey was an Assistant at Sacred Heart Parish, Jersey City, N.J.

He was born on August 8, 1901, in Danville, Ill. His first education was undertaken in St. Patrick's parochial school and at the public high school in Danville. After studying at Providence College, Providence, R.I., he entered the Order of Preachers and was sent to the novitiate at St. Rose Priory near Springfield, Ky. He continued his religious education at the House of Studies, River Forest, Ill.; St. Joseph's Priory near Somerset, Ohio; and the House of Studies, Washington, D.C. Father Morrissey was ordained priest on June 10, 1936 in St. Dominic's Church, Washington, D.C., by Archbishop Amleto Giovanni Cicognani.

One of his earliest assignments was parish work at St. Thomas Aquinas', Cincinnati, Ohio, from 1939 to 1943. During World War II he served as an army chaplain.

On November 25, 1960, a Solemn Requiem Mass was sung at Sacred Heart Church, Jersey City, N.J. The celebrant was a cousin of the deceased, the Rev. P. C. Shehan, O.P. The Very Rev. D. L. Shannon, O.P. was the deacon and the subdeacon was the Very Rev. K. C. Sullivan, O.P. The Rev. J. R. Coffey, O.P. delivered the eulogy. The Rev. C. B. Carroll, O.P. and the Rev. J. D. Kearney, O.P. acted as servers for the Mass. Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, East Orange, N.J. was the place of burial.

Dominicana offers its condolence to Father Morrissey's surviving brothers, sisters and many friends.

The Rev. William George Mottey, O.P.

On December 1, 1960, after a short illness, Father William George Mottey, O.P., died at St. Anthony's Hospital in Columbus, Ohio. At the time of his death, Father Mottey was assigned as professor of general science at Aquinas High School in Columbus.

Father Mottey was born in De Lancey, Jefferson County, Pa., on November 23, 1909. He was the twelfth of thirteen children. His early education was received in St. Adrian's Grammar and high schools, De Lancey. Later he continued his education at Providence College, Providence, R.I.

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After entering the Order of Preachers, he was sent first to St. Rose's Priory near Springfield, Ky. His study of philosophy and theology were completed at the Dominican House of Studies, River Forest, Ill.; St. Joseph's Priory near Somerset, Ohio; and the Dominican House of Studies, Washington, D.C. Father Mottey was ordained to the priesthood by the apostolic delegate, Archbishop Amleto Giovanni Cicognani at St. Dominic's Church on June 10, 1936.

His early assignments were at St. Dominic's, Detroit, Mich., 1938-1939; at St. Mary's, New Haven, Conn., 1939-1944. In 1944, Father Mottey became a U.S. Navy chaplain, serving until 1946.

The solemn Requiem Mass was sung December 5, 1960, at St. Patrick's Church, Columbus, Ohio. The brother of the deceased, Rev. Paul Mottey, C.M. of Mary Immaculate Seminary, Northampton, Pa., was the celebrant. The deacon was the Rev. R. R. Heushkel, O.P., and the subdeacon, Rev. Joseph Murphy, O.P., both assigned to Aquinas High School. The eulogy was delivered by the Rev. Reginald Coffey, O.P., of the Dominican House of Studies, Washington, D.C. The Rev. Wm. Carroll, O.P., the Very Rev. Jas. McDonald, O.P., and the Rev. Walter Conway, O.P. were the servers for the Mass. Among the dignitaries present were the Most Rev. Clarence G. Issenmann, Bishop of Columbus, who gave the absolution, and the Very Rev. W. D. Marrin, Provincial of St. Joseph's Province, and also the Very Rev. Edmund Marr, O.P., Provincial of St. Albert's Province. The burial was at St. Joseph's, Somerset, Ohio.

To Father Mottey's surviving brothers and sisters, and to his numerous friends, *Dominicana* offers its sincere sympathy.