

✠ REV. WILLIAM CHARLES DALEY, O.P. ✠

On November, 21, 1936, the Province of Saint Joseph suffered the loss of one of its promising priests, the Reverend William C. Daley, O.P. Following an illness of some months, Father Daley died in Holy Family Hospital, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Father Daley was born in Westerley, Rhode Island, August 1, 1897, the first of the four children of William M. and Ann Mallon Daley. He was baptized William Bernard. Elm Street School in Westerley was the scene of his elementary education. After attending Westerley High School for three years he secured a position as subscription manager in Mentor Association, New York Publishers, which he held from 1914 until 1918. In 1919, at Saint Charles, Catonsville, Maryland, he resumed his studies. His college course was completed at Cathedral College, Brooklyn, N. Y., 1919-1923.

William Daley received the Dominican habit at Saint Joseph's Priory, Somerset, Ohio, August 25, 1923, from the late Very Reverend Cyprian Brady, O.P., into whose hands he made his profession a year later. At Saint Rose's Priory, Springfield, Kentucky, and at the Dominican House of Studies, River Forest, Illinois, he followed the course in philosophy; and his four years of theological studies were made at Immaculate Conception Convent, Washington, D. C.. In the same city, on June 16, 1930, he was ordained priest by the Most Reverend Michael J. Curley, Archbishop of Baltimore.

The first two of Father Daley's six years in the ministry were occupied in studying history at Catholic University, Washington, D. C., where, in 1932, he obtained the master's degree in Medieval History under Doctor Peter Guilday.

His second assignment was to Fenwick High School, Oak Park, Illinois, where he taught history and religion for the next four years. In the spring of 1936, ill health required Father Daley's release from his teaching duties. For several months he was stationed at the Dominican Convent in Newburgh, N. Y. Then, a month before his death, he was taken to the hospital in Brooklyn.

On Monday, November 23, 1936, Solemn Requiem Mass was sung for Father Daley in Saint Vincent Ferrer's Church, New York City. The Reverend J. D. Donovan, O.P., was celebrant, assisted by the Reverend J. A. McFadden, O.P., deacon, and the Reverend J. M. Sweeney, O.P., subdeacon. The three were classmates of Father Daley. Before the very large number of clergy and laity present, the Reverend F. J. Baeszler, O.P., president of Fenwick High School, preached the funeral eulogy.

To Father Daley's two sisters, *Dominicana* extends sincerest sympathy. May he rest in peace!

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