

✠ REV. PAUL VICTOR FLANAGAN, O.P. ✠

On April 3, 1942, the Rev. Paul Victor Flanagan, O.P., S.T.Lr., J.C.D., superior of the Western Mission Band of St. Albert's Province, died from a heart attack while visiting his parents in Pottsville, Pennsylvania.

Father Flanagan was born in Pottsville, Pa., March 7, 1904, the son of Thomas Ambrose and Caroline Veith Flanagan. His early schooling was obtained at St. John Baptist Parochial School in his native town and at St. Vincent's High School, Latrobe, Pa. He received the habit at St. Joseph's Priory, Somerset, Ohio, on August 27, 1923. One year later to the day, he made his profession into the hands of the Very Rev. Joseph C. Brady, O.P. His philosophical courses were taken at St. Rose's Priory, Springfield, Ky., and at the Dominican House of Studies, River Forest, Ill. He pursued his theological studies at the Dominican House of Studies, Washington, D.C., and was ordained at St. Dominic's Church in that city by the Most Rev. Michael J. Curley, Archbishop of Baltimore on June 15, 1930. Shortly after receiving the Lectorate in Sacred Theology in 1931, he was sent to the Angelico, Rome, Italy, to specialize in Canon Law. Returning in 1934 with his doctorate, he was assigned as professor of Canon Law at St. Joseph's Priory. In 1936, he was stationed at St. Rose as professor of Pastoral Theology. The following year, his desire for missionary work was fulfilled when he received his assignation to Holy Name Priory, Philadelphia, Pa., as a member of the Eastern Mission Band. He spent three years on the band, and during the last two, his home station was St. Mary's Priory, New Haven, Conn. Eminently successful as a missionary, he was appointed in 1939 to superiorship of the Western Mission Band. The last years of his life were spent in ardent devotion to the affairs of this office.

A tireless worker, Father Flanagan threw himself whole-heartedly into the labors of the mission field. An eloquent preacher, he strove unceasingly to lead others to God. His natural friendliness and joviality were an asset in attracting his hearers to seek his counsel. His was an intensely apostolic soul, particularly interested in the welfare of the men of the Holy Name Society.

Two Requiem Masses were celebrated for the soul of Father Flanagan. The first, at St. John Baptist Church in Pottsville, was offered by the Rev. Charles J. Flanagan, brother of the deceased.

The Rev. Andrew J. McDevitt assisted as Deacon, and the Rev. James M. Kavanaugh, as Subdeacon. The sermon was preached by the Very Rev. Edward L. Hughes, O.P., Pastor of St. Pius' Church, Chicago, Ill. The Mass was well-attended by members of the clergy of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia, by representatives of various religious congregations of women, and by Father Flanagan's Dominican brethren.

St. Vincent Ferrer's Church, New York, was the scene of the second Requiem Mass. The Very Rev. R. P. O'Brien, O.P., Provincial of St. Albert's Province, celebrated the Mass, assisted by two classmates of the deceased, the Very Rev. H. C. Graham, O.P., serving as Deacon and the Rev. J. A. McFadden, O.P., as Subdeacon. The Very Rev. Edward L. Hughes, O.P., was again the funeral orator. The Very Rev. T. S. McDermott, O.P., Provincial of St. Joseph's Province, of which province Father Flanagan was a member, presided at the Mass. Present was a noteworthy representation of secular clergy and over seventy Dominican priests. Interment was in All Souls' Cemetery where the Rev. Charles J. Flanagan gave the blessing at the grave.

To the parents, brothers, sister, and relatives of Father Flanagan, DOMINICANA extends sincere sympathy.

✠ REV. JOSEPH DAMIAN PENDERGAST, O.P. ✠

On May 3, 1942, the Rev. Joseph Damian Pendergast, O.P., for over forty years chaplain at St. Mary of the Springs, died at Mt. Carmel Hospital in Columbus, Ohio.

Born in London, Ontario, Canada, on June 10, 1871, Father Pendergast was the son of John and Honora Sexton Pendergast. His early education was received at St. Mary's School, St. Peter's Cathedral School, and at the Collegiate Institute, all located in the city of his birth. On August 4, 1890, the Very Rev. J. C. Colbert, O.P., received him into the Order of Preachers at St. Rose Priory, Springfield, Ky., where he made his profession the following year on August 15. His philosophical and theological studies were made at St. Joseph's Priory, Somerset, Ohio, and it was there he was ordained to the priesthood on March 7, 1895, by the Right Reverend John A. Watterson, D.D., Bishop of Columbus.

Shortly after ordination, he was sent to Mt. Carmel Hospital in Columbus to act as temporary chaplain. In September 1895, he was assigned to the chaplaincy of St. Mary of the Springs, Columbus,