

Ohio. From December, 1897 to September, 1899, he was assistant at St. Thomas' Church, Zanesville, Ohio. He then returned to the post of chaplain at St. Mary of the Springs where he remained for the rest of his life except for a period of three years (August, 1914 to July, 1917) when he was master of novices at St. Joseph's Priory.

Father Pendergast came of notably Catholic people. His brother, Sylvester Ambrose Pendergast, now deceased, was a Dominican priest. Six of his cousins entered the Dominican Order—the Rev. J. A. Durkin, Rev. A. A. Durkin, Sr. M. Augusta Durkin, all now deceased, and the Rev. J. J. Durkin, Sr. M. Ambrosia Durkin, and Sr. M. Helena Durkin.

The unfailing sympathy of Father Pendergast endeared him to all who knew him. Extremely exacting of himself, he led a quiet life of prayer and priestly labor particularly marked by his zeal. Penitents from far and near sought his guidance and help in the confessional. Despite a very troublesome heart ailment, he continued at his duties until it was physically impossible for him to do so any longer. His saintly life was a sermon in action.

On Tuesday morning, May 5, Solemn High Mass was celebrated in the convent chapel of St. Mary of the Springs by the Rev. J. M. Bauer, O.P., assisted by the Rev. M. M. Hanley, O.P., as Deacon and the Rev. J. F. Monroe, O.P., as Subdeacon. The body was moved to St. Patrick's Church in Columbus on Tuesday afternoon where it lay in state until the funeral mass Wednesday morning. The Rev. J. J. Durkin, O.P., a cousin of the deceased, was celebrant, the Very Rev. W. D. Sullivan, O.P., Deacon, and the Rev. F. J. Baezler, O.P., Subdeacon. The Most Rev. John T. McNicholas, O.P., D.D., Archbishop of Cincinnati, presided and gave the final absolution. The Most Rev. James J. Hartley, D.D., Bishop of Columbus, was seated in the sanctuary. The sermon was delivered by the Rev. C. L. Davis, O.P. Father Pendergast was buried in the community cemetery at St. Joseph's Priory, Somerset, Ohio, where the Very Rev. J. W. Owens, O.P., read the burial service.

DOMINICANA extends its deepest sympathy to the brothers, sisters, and relatives of Father Pendergast.

✠ VERY REV. HENRY JOSEPH SCHROEDER, O.P. ✠

The Very Rev. Henry Joseph Schroeder, O.P., subprior and professor at the Dominican House of Studies, River Forest, Ill., died of a heart attack, May 7, at St. Mary of the Springs, Columbus, O.,

several hours after he had attended the funeral of the Rev. J. D. Pendergast, O.P., community chaplain. He was sixty-seven years old and had been in poor health for some time.

Father Schroeder was born in Detroit, Mich., on May 5, 1875, the eldest son of Frank and Helena (Kranz) Schroeder. Public and parochial schools in Detroit afforded him his early education; he received his college training under the Basilian Fathers at Assumption College, Sandwich, Ont. Late in 1902 he entered the Dominican Order, making profession at St. Rose Priory, Springfield, Ky., on Christmas Day, 1903. Besides completing his philosophical and theological studies at St. Joseph's Priory, Somerset, O., and at the Dominican House of Studies, Wash., D. C., he studied scriptural languages at the Catholic University of America, where he received the Master of Arts degree. Father Schroeder was ordained by His Eminence, James Cardinal Gibbons, in the Cathedral at Baltimore, June 21, 1907.

He taught at St. Dominic's Priory, Benecia, Calif., from 1910 to 1911. His next assignment was to the Northwestern Mission Band, on which he remained until 1914. Then followed the subpriorship of St. Rose Priory, Springfield, Ky., as well as that of St. Joseph's Priory, Somerset. He was also stationed in Hawthorne, N. Y.

Father Schroeder was on the teaching staff of Providence College, Providence, R. I., where he taught history and languages. For the past eleven years, he had been stationed at the Dominican House of Studies, River Forest, Ill., as professor of Patrology, Archeology, and Languages.

Contributor of articles to the Catholic Encyclopedia and the clerical press, Father Schroeder established himself as an authority on church councils with his classic *Disciplinary Decrees of the General Councils* which he published in 1937. A subsequent volume, *Canons and Decrees of the Council of Trent* won praise both here and abroad. At the time of his death Father Schroeder had in preparation a work on the Fathers of the Church.

An accomplished vocalist, Father Schroeder's chief characteristic was his love for the choral office. The completeness of the library at the House of Studies in River Forest is in large measure to be attributed to his labors.

Father Schroeder's body was returned to the House of Studies the day following his death, and lay in state there until Monday morning, May 11, at 10 o'clock when his funeral was held. A Solemn High Mass of Requiem was celebrated by the Very Rev. Peter

O'Brien, O.P., Provincial, assisted by the Very Rev. J. A. Driscoll, O.P., prior of the House of Studies, as deacon, and the Rev. D. A. Wynn, O.P., as subdeacon.

The Very Rev G. R. Scholz, O.P., prior of St. Anthony's Priory, New Orleans, La., a classmate, preached the sermon. Six student deacons acted as pall-bearers. Interment was in the Dominican Plot in All Saints' Cemetery, in Des Plaines, Ill., where the Very Rev. Peter O'Brien, O.P., read the committal prayers.

To Father Schroeder's brothers and sisters DOMINICANA extends its heartfelt sympathy. May he rest in peace. V.F.