

✠ THE REV. JOHN SYLVESTER FRAHER, O.P. ✠

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The Rev. John Sylvester Fraher, O.P., of the Dominican House of studies, River Forest, Ill., died on April 19th at Loretto Hospital, Chicago. He had been ordained on March 9th at the Chapel of the House of Studies by the Most Rev. William D. O'Brien, auxiliary Bishop of Chicago.

After a solemn Requiem Mass on April 21st, Father Fraher was buried in All Saints' Cemetery, Desplaines, Ill. The Very Rev. Peter R. O'Brien, O.P., Provincial, offered the Mass and conducted the committal ceremonies. The Rev. Brother Vincent Ferrer Lux, O.P., was Deacon, and the Rev. Brother Cajetan Donlan, O.P., Sub-deacon. The Rev. T. G. Kinsella, O.P., former Master of Students, preached the eulogy.

The son of John and Mary (Mooney) Fraher, Father Fraher was born in Chicago on May 7, 1915. He attended St. Francis Xavier Grammar School, La Grange, Ill., and Fenwick High School, Oak Park, Ill. In 1937 he was graduated from Providence College, Providence, R. I., with the Bachelor of Arts degree. On Aug. 15, 1937 he was clothed with the habit of the Friars Preachers at St. Rose Priory, Springfield, Ky., and he pronounced his vows there a year later. After profession, he went to the House of Studies in Chicago, where he was assigned until the time of his death.

During his final year of study he became seriously ill, and his superiors obtained a dispensation to have him ordained ahead of his class. He celebrated his first solemn Mass on March 19th, at St. Francis Xavier Church, La Grange, Ill. Though suffering intensely, he offered his last low Mass on Easter Sunday.

To his parents, his sisters Mary and Margaret, and his brother, Lt. James Fraher, *Dominicana* extends sincerest sympathy.

✠ THE REV. WILLIAM CHARLES KELLY, O.P. ✠

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The Rev. William Charles Kelly, O.P., died on April 26th in St. Francis Hospital, New York City. He was buried on April 29th in All Souls' Cemetery near Pleasantville, New York, after a solemn Requiem Mass at St. Vincent Ferrer's Church, New York City. The Very Rev. H. A. Burke, O.P., offered the Mass. The Rev. Dominic

Dolan, O.P., was Deacon, and the Rev. James A. O'Donnell, O.P., was Subdeacon. The Rev. William R. Bonniwell, O.P., preached the eulogy.

The son of the late Thomas and Caroline (Hunt) Kelly, Father Kelly was born on Sept. 21, 1886, in New York City. He attended Public School No. 3 and La Salle Academy in that city, St. Patrick's High School in Columbus, Ohio, and Niagara University. He received the Dominican habit at St. Joseph's Priory, Somerset, Ohio, on December 3, 1913. On December 8, 1914, he pronounced his first vows there. He was ordained to the priesthood in the chapel of the Dominican House of Studies, Washington, D. C., on June 12, 1921.

In 1922 he was assigned as assistant at Sacred Heart Church, Jersey City. In 1924 he was appointed to the Eastern Mission Band. He remained in Jersey City until 1928, when he was transferred to Holy Name Church, Philadelphia, Pa., to continue his missionary labor. In 1940 he was sent to St. Patrick's Church, Columbus, Ohio, to work with the Western Mission Band. In 1942 he was loaned to the Province of St. Albert the Great for further work on the missions, and was assigned to the House of Studies in River Forest, Ill.

In his death his brethren see the passing of a preacher of singular brilliance and solid piety. Proclaiming the Gospel with zeal like St. Dominic's, he was ever aware of the words of St. Paul: "Command and teach. . . Be thou an example to the faithful. . . Take heed to thyself and to thy teaching. . . For in so doing thou wilt save both thyself and those who hear thee" (I Tim. iv, 12-16).

To his relatives and friends, *Dominicana* expresses sincerest sympathy. The prayers of the Friars will rise perpetually for the repose of his soul to Him Who is "the resurrection and the life."

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✠ BROTHER ALPHONSUS FALLON, O.P. ✠

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Brother Alphonsus Fallon, O.P., of St. Antoninus' Priory, Newark, N. J., died on February 17th at Asbury Park, N. J. The Rev. Joseph T. A. Joyce, O.P., administered the last Sacraments. Brother Alphonsus was buried in the Dominican plot, Holy Sepulcher Cemetery, Newark, on February 21st after a solemn Requiem Mass at St. Antoninus'. The Very Rev. A. P. Davidson, O.P., offered the Mass. The Rev. P. A. Maher, O.P., preached the eulogy.