



REVEREND JOSEPH R. CLARK, O.P.

GOLDEN JUBILEE OF THE REVEREND JOSEPH R. CLARK, O.P.

Father Clark celebrated the occasion of the fiftieth anniversary of his ordination to the holy priesthood on October 25th, at a Solemn Mass at St. Rose Priory, Springfield, Kentucky.

Born in Fairfield, Kentucky, on January 13th, 1875, the third of ten children, Father Clark received his early education in a private school in that town and at the college once affiliated to the Trappist Abbey in Gethsemani. Entering the Dominican Novitiate which was then located at St. Rose Priory Father Clark received the habit on March 7th, 1895 and was professed a year later. After completing his philosophical and theological studies he was ordained at St. Joseph Priory, Somerset, Ohio, on October 10th, 1901.

During his years of faithful service Father Clark has served as Prior and Pastor of St. Louis Bertrand's Church, Louisville, Kentucky; Pastor and builder of Blessed Sacrament Church, Madison, Wisconsin; Pastor of St. Pius Church, Providence, R. I.; and was Master of Students in the House of Studies for two years. The remaining years of his ministry were spent in preaching home missions throughout the South and Middle West. Since 1939 he has been Chaplain at St. Catherine's Convent near Springfield, Kentucky.

A Solemn Mass of the Holy Ghost was sung on October 25th to commemorate Father Clark's Jubilee. The Rev. William R. Clark, O.P., Professor of Sociology at Providence College, was celebrant; the Very Rev. C. A. Musselman, O.P., Prior of St. Rose, was Deacon; and Friar Fintun Warren, O.F.M., was Subdeacon. There were sixty Dominicans at the Jubilee Mass as well as delegations of Sisters and students from nearby St. Catherine's.

In the name of the Fathers and Brothers of St. Joseph's province, *Dominicana* extends best wishes and congratulations to Father Clark on this joyous occasion.