

✠ FATHER VINCENT GEORGE HOLL, O.P. ✠

On March 13, 1955, Father Vincent G. Holl died of a heart attack at the rectory of the Holy Name Church in Brooklyn. He had just finished the first week of a three-weeks' mission in that parish. The last rites were administered to Father Holl by the Most Reverend John J. Boardman, D.D., Auxiliary Bishop of Brooklyn, and pastor of Holy Name. Assisting him were the parish priests and three Dominican missionaries.

Father Holl was born in Dayton, Ohio, on December 26, 1910, the youngest of three children in the family of Joseph F. and Ella Jones Holl. He received his early education at McKinley School, Dayton, and attended Chaminade High School in the same city. After being graduated with high honors from the University of Dayton, he entered the Dominican novitiate at St. Rose Priory, Springfield, Ky. The Very Rev. James Aldridge, O.P., clothed him in the habit of the Order on August 15, 1932, and the following year the Very Rev. William Owens, O.P., received his simple profession of religious vows. The years from 1933-36 were spent in studying philosophy at the Dominican House of Studies, River Forest, Illinois. Most of his theology course was taken the next three years at St. Joseph's Priory, Somerset, Ohio. On May 17, 1939, he was ordained a priest there by Bishop James J. Hartley of Columbus, Ohio. Father Holl completed his course in sacred theology at the Dominican House of Studies, Washington, D. C. During 1940-41 he attended the Preacher's Institute located on the campus of the Catholic University of America.

After serving as assistant chaplain of the Old Soldier's Home in the Nation's Capitol, Father Holl was sent to work among the colored people at St. Monica's, Raleigh, N. C. In 1941, he transferred his labors to St. John's Church, Clinton, Md. During World War II he was loaned for a short time to the English Dominican Province for missionary work among the colored in Trinidad, British West Indies. After his return in 1942, Father Holl was made assistant at St. Vincent Ferrer's Priory, New York City. Following assignments at Sacred Heart Priory, Jersey City, N.J., and as the procurator of St. Rose Priory in Kentucky, he became a member of the Dominican Mission Band and was stationed at St. Catherine of Siena Priory, Manhattan.

On March 16, 1955, at 10 o'clock in St. Catherine of Siena Church, a Solemn High Mass of Requiem for Father Holl was

offered by the Very Rev. Timothy E. Shea, O.P., pastor and prior of St. Catherine's. Dominicans and diocesan priests were present in the sanctuary. The eulogy was preached by Rev. Timothy J. Murphy, O.P. The burial was in the Dominican plot, All Soul's Cemetery, Pleasantville, N. Y.

To Father Holl's parents and sister, and to all his relatives and friends, *Dominicana* offers sincere and heartfelt expression of sympathy. *May his soul rest in peace!*

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✠ FATHER JOHN BERCHMAN AFFLECK, O.P. ✠

After suffering a stroke on the afternoon of April 24, 1955, Father John B. Affleck died a few hours later at New York Hospital in New York City. He was 65 years old, and had served the Church as a Dominican priest for 26 years.

Father Affleck was born April 23, 1890 in Pawtucket, R. I., the son of Frank and Mary Loughran Affleck. His grammar school education was received at St. Mary's, Pawtucket. Following graduation from St. Anselm's High School, Manchester, N.H., he attended Providence College for two years in preparation for his entrance into the Dominican novitiate at St. Joseph's Priory, Somerset, Ohio. There the habit of the Order was given to him on August 24, 1922, and the next year he made simple profession of religious vows. His course in philosophy was taken at St. Rose, Springfield, Ky., and the Dominican House of Studies, River Forest, Ill. Between 1925 and 1930 he studied sacred theology in the Dominican House at Washington, D. C. Father Affleck was ordained a priest June 17, 1929 in the Immaculate Conception Shrine by Archbishop Michael J. Curley of Baltimore.

From 1930 to 1932 Father Affleck served in several capacities at Washington. He was the Sub-Master of Students in the Dominican House of Studies, assistant chaplain at the Old Soldier's Home, and chaplain at the District Jail. The Chaplaincy in the Lorton Reformatory, Va. and the Occaquam Workhouse were also cared for by him. Between 1932 and 1937 he was assigned to St. Vincent Ferrer's in New York City as assistant to the National Director of the Holy Name Society. In 1937 Father Affleck became pastor of St. Raymond's, Providence, R. I., and the following year prior of St. Mary's, New Haven, Conn. Returning to