

served as deacon and subdeacon respectively. Brothers from St. Stephen's Priory served as minor ministers and sang the Mass. The Reverend Patrick J. Conaty, O.P., preached the eulogy. Present at the Mass among Father Foley's relatives and friends were over fifty Dominican priests and a large number of religious and civic dignitaries. Services were conducted by the Very Reverend Robert J. Slavin, O.P., S.T.M., President of Providence College, at the College's Community Cemetery.

To Father Foley's family and friends, *Dominicana* offers sincere and heartfelt condolences. *May his soul rest in peace.*

✠ FATHER FRANCIS JUSTIN ROUTH, O.P. ✠

On September 11, 1955 Father Francis J. Routh died in Georgetown Hospital, Washington, D. C. His death came as the result of a long illness complicated by pneumonia.

Father Routh was born on July 18, 1901 in Jersey City, New Jersey, the seventh of the nine children of Richard F. and Mary Lenihan Routh. His early education was received at St. Paul's Parochial School and St. Peter's Preparatory School in the same city. After attending Providence College, Providence, Rhode Island, he entered the Dominican Novitiate at St. Joseph's Priory, Somerset, Ohio. On August 15, 1923 he received the habit of St. Dominic, and on August 16 of the following year pronounced his religious vows. From 1924-27 he studied Philosophy at St. Rose's Priory, Springfield, Kentucky, and at the Dominican House of Studies, River Forest, Illinois. The next four years were spent in the study of sacred theology at the Priory of the Immaculate Conception, Washington, D. C. On June 16, 1930 the Most Reverend Michael J. Curley, Archbishop of Baltimore, ordained him to the priesthood.

Following his ordination Father Routh attended the Catholic University, Washington, D. C., where he received the degree of Master of Arts. In 1934 he was assigned to work in the headquarters of the Holy Name and Rosary Confraternities at St. Vincent Ferrer's Priory, New York, and in 1938 was elected prior of St. Catherine's, New York. That he should be chosen for such a responsible position so early in his Dominican life gives striking evidence of his administrative ability. The years 1941-43 saw him serving as a member of the mission band of Holy Name Province,

California, and as an auxiliary chaplain of the United States Army. He returned once more to parish work in 1943 when he was assigned to Sacred Heart Priory, Jersey City, New Jersey. In 1953 he was sent to St. Dominic's Priory, Washington, D. C., where he remained until the time of his death.

A Solemn Mass of Requiem was offered for the happy repose of his soul on September 14, 1955 at St. Dominic's Church, Washington, D. C. The celebrant of the Mass was the Reverend Joseph D. Donovan, O.P., while the Reverend Edward D. Grady, O.P., served as deacon and the Very Reverend Charles H. McKenna, O.P., as subdeacon. The eulogy was preached by the Very Reverend George C. Reilly, O.P. The student brothers from the Dominican House of Studies, Washington, D. C., served as minor ministers of the Mass and formed the choir. Present at the Mass, along with the large delegation of Dominican Fathers, were the Most Reverend John M. McNamara, D.D., auxiliary Bishop of Washington, the Most Reverend Theodore M. Smith, O.P., S.T.M., Procurator General of the Order, the Very Reverend Terence S. McDermott, O.P., S.T.M., Provincial, and the Very Reverend Ferrer Smith, O.P., S.T.M., Regent of Studies of St. Joseph's Province. The burial took place at Mount Olivet Cemetery, Washington, D. C.

To Father Routh's family and friends, *Dominicana* offers sincere condolences. *May his soul rest in peace.*

✠ FATHER CHARLES JOHN O'CONNELL, O.P., S.T.Lr. ✠

Father Charles J. O'Connell, O.P., died on October 20, 1955, in Detroit, Michigan, while on his way to open a parish mission, after having suffered injuries in an auto accident the day before. At the time of his death he was forty-five years of age, and had served God and the Church as a priest for over sixteen years.

Father O'Connell was born on October 18, 1910 in North Adams, Mass., the youngest of the six children of Patrick and Margaret Finnegan O'Connell. His early education was received at St. Paul's parochial school, Troy, N. Y., and St. Joseph's High School, North Adams, Mass. After attending Providence College, Providence, R. I., he entered the novitiate of the Order of Preachers at St. Rose Priory, Springfield, Ky., where he received the habit of St. Dominic on August 15, 1932. The following year, on