

✠ FATHER FREDERICK JORDAN BAESZLER, O.P., S.T.Lr. ✠

On December 13, 1955 the Very Rev. Frederick J. Baeszler, O.P., died at Holy Name Hospital, Teaneck, New Jersey. Death came as a result of a short illness.

Father Baeszler was born on May 30, 1895 in New York City, the son of Alfred J. and the late Julia Halloran Baeszler. He received his grammar school and high school education at Augustinian Academy, Staten Island, New York. After attending St. Charles College, Catonsville, Maryland, he entered the Dominican Order at St. Joseph's Priory, Somerset, Ohio. He was clothed in the habit of the Friars Preachers on September 15, 1917 and made his religious profession on September 22 of the following year. Following his philosophical and theological studies at St. Rose's Priory, Springfield, Kentucky, and at the Dominican House of Studies, Washington, D.C., he was ordained to the sacred priesthood on June 18, 1924 at St. Dominic's Church, Washington, D.C., by the Most Rev. Michael J. Curley, Archbishop of Baltimore.

After he received the degree of Lector of Sacred Theology in 1925, his superiors assigned him to Providence College where he served as professor of Education and History of Philosophy. He was chosen Subprior of St. Vincent Ferrer's Priory, New York City in 1934. Following a year's service in 1936 as principal of Fenwick High School, Oak Park, Ill., he served as Pastor of St. Patrick's Church, Columbus, Ohio from 1937 to 1945. During the following two years he was Pastor of St. Dominic's Church, Detroit, Michigan. The Dominican Fathers of Sacred Heart Priory, Jersey City, N. J., elected him their prior in 1948. At the completion of his priorship he was appointed to be Director of the Province's Foreign Missions. In 1954 he was elected Prior of St. Pius' Priory, Providence, R. I. where he remained until his death.

A Solemn Mass of Requiem was offered for the repose of his soul in St. Pius' Church on December 16, 1955 by the Most Rev. Russell J. McVinney, D.D., Bishop of Providence. The Very Rev. Robert J. Slavin, O.P., S.T.M., President of Providence College served as deacon, while the Very Rev. John D. Walsh, O.P., P.G., acted as subdeacon. The eulogy was preached by the Rev. James J. McLarney, O.P. Present among Father Baeszler's family and friends were the Most Rev. James Connolly, Bishop of Fall River, Mass., the Most Rev. Francis Benedict Cialeo, O.P., Bishop of Multan,

Pakistan, several Monsignori, one hundred and sixty Diocesan and Religious Priests, and many Sisters. The burial took place at the Dominican Community Cemetery of Providence College.

Dominicana extends condolences to Father Baeszler's father, brother, and sisters. *May his soul enjoy eternal happiness.*

✠ FATHER EDWARD JORDAN DONOVAN, O.P. ✠

On January 27, 1956 Father Edward J. Donovan died at St. Francis Hospital, Jersey City, New Jersey, after a long illness.

Son of the late John F. and Ellen McGee Donovan, Father Donovan was born on May 21, 1892 in Boston, Mass., and received his elementary education at St. Francis de Sales parochial school, Charlestown, Mass. Following the completion of his classical studies at Boston Latin School and Boston College High School, he entered the Order of Preachers at St. Joseph's Priory, Somerset, Ohio, where on September 15, 1911 he was clothed in the habit of St. Dominic. On September 16 of the following year he pronounced his religious vows, and began his studies in philosophy and sacred theology at the Dominican House of Studies, Washington, D.C. On June 15, 1917 in the chapel of the Dominican House of Studies Bishop Thomas J. Shahan, Rector of the Catholic University, Washington, D.C. ordained him to the holy priesthood.

In 1918 his superiors assigned him to Providence College, Providence, Rhode Island, and in 1920 to St. Raymond's, Providence, where in addition to his duties as a professor he served as a parish priest. The next nine years, 1921-30, were spent on the faculty of Aquinas High School, Columbus, Ohio, after which Father Donovan served the parishioners of St. Vincent Ferrer's Priory, New York, until 1934. He afterwards acted as chaplain to the Dominican Sisters at Mary Immaculate Convent, Ossining, New York. In 1939 he was assigned to Holy Trinity Parish, Somerset, Ohio, where he remained until 1940, when he was appointed chaplain at the novitiate of the Brothers of the Sacred Heart, Metuchen, N.J. From 1942 until his death he was assigned to Sacred Heart Priory, Jersey City, N.J.

A Solemn Mass of Requiem was offered for the repose of Father Donovan's soul on January 30, 1956 at Sacred Heart Church, Jersey City, N.J. The celebrant of the Mass was the Very Rev. J. A. Nowlen, O.P., S.T.Lr., Prior, while the Rev. J. F. McCadden, O.P.,