

THE REVEREND

WILLIAM JOSEPH McLAUGHLIN, O.P.

Father W. J. McLaughlin died a sudden death at Holy Name Priory, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania on December 3, 1958. At the time of his death Father McLaughlin was assistant pastor at Holy Name of Jesus Church.

William Joseph McLaughlin was born in New Haven, Connecticut on May 30, 1900 and was educated at Sacred Heart Parochial School in New Haven, Aquinas College, Columbus, Ohio and at Providence College, Providence, Rhode Island. His years of study in preparation for the priesthood were spent at St. Joseph's Priory, Somerset, Ohio, St. Rose Priory, Springfield, Kentucky, the Dominican House of Studies in River Forest, Illinois and at the Dominican House of Studies in Washington, D. C. Father McLaughlin was ordained to the Sacred Priesthood at the Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D. C. on June 17, 1929, by the Most Reverend Michael J. Curley, Archbishop of Baltimore.

After studying at Manhattan College in New York City, Father McLaughlin taught at Aquinas College, Columbus, Ohio from 1931 to 1933. Father afterwards devoted his Dominican life to parochial work, with the exception of the years 1935 to 1939 which were spent in missionary endeavours. From 1945 to 1950 he was successively pastor and prior of Sacred Heart Church, Jersey City, New Jersey and pastor of St. Dominic's, Detroit, Michigan. From the year 1950 until his sudden death Father McLaughlin was stationed at Holy Name of Jesus Church in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, where he was active in preaching, convert work and parish activities.

The Very Rev. Thomas F. Conlon, O.P., P.G., of the Province Mission Band, was the celebrant of the Solemn High Requiem Mass at Holy Name of Jesus Church in Philadelphia on December 9, 1958. The Rev. E. A. McDermott, O.P., of Providence College, served as Deacon and the Rev. E. M. Heffernan, O.P., an assistant at Holy Name Church, was the Subdeacon. The Rev. Harry

A. Kelly, O.P., of the Eastern Mission Band, delivered the eulogy. The acolytes for the Mass were the Very Rev. J. C. Kearney, O.P., and the Rev. R. M. McCabe, O.P. The Very Rev. William D. Marrin, O.P., Provincial of St. Joseph's Province, was present for the funeral Mass.

Father McLaughlin is survived by his sisters, Mrs. Marie Sheil and Mrs. Gertrude Turley and by his brothers, Doctor Thomas McLaughlin and Mr. James McLaughlin. To his sisters and brothers as well as to all Father's relatives and friends, *Dominicana* extends its heartfelt sympathy. May he rest in peace!