

Reverend Owen Ignatius Beatty, O.P.

The Reverend Owen Ignatius Beatty, O.P., died at St. Antoninus Priory, Newark, N. J., on August 29, 1963. He was a victim of cancer.

Father Beatty was born in Paterson, N. J., on September 28, 1928. He received his early education in the public schools of Port Washington, N. Y., and Washington, D. C. He attended Gonzaga High School in Washington, D. C., at which time he became a Catholic. Father Beatty then entered Providence College.

Upon entering the Dominican Order in September, 1949, Father Beatty began his years of study for the priesthood. He studied at St. Rose Priory, Springfield, Ky.; St. Joseph Priory, Somerset, Ohio; and the Dominican House of Studies, Washington, D. C. Father Beatty was ordained a priest by Bishop Edward C. Daly, O.P., at St. Dominic's Church, Washington, D. C. on June 8, 1956.

Father Beatty was then assigned to parish work at St. Antoninus Priory, Newark, N. J. in preparation for the missions. But this proved to be his only assignment, for he soon learned that he had cancer. The spirit with which he accepted this dreaded illness demonstrated to all his Christ-like qualities.

A Solemn Requiem Mass was celebrated by the Very Rev. Walter B. Sullivan, O.P., Prior of St. Antoninus Priory. The Rev. Thomas J. Ertle, O.P., was deacon and the Rev. John R. Corr, O.P., was sub-deacon. Servers were the Rev. Thomas R. Peterson, O.P., and the Rev. Robert J. Hennessey, O.P. The eulogy was preached by the Rev. Lewis Springman, O.P.

In attendance at the Mass were the Most Rev. Joseph A. Costello, Auxiliary Bishop of Newark, N. J., the Very Rev. William D. Marrin, O.P., Provincial of St. Joseph's Province; many priests and Sisters. Well over one thousand lay people were present for the Mass.

To Father Beatty's father and step-mother, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Beatty; to his brother, Thomas; to his sister, Deborah; and to his grandmother, Mrs. Willa Pierson, *Dominicana* offers its sincerest sympathy.