

Obituary

✠ Rev. Edward Basil Kenny, O. P. ✠

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On Wednesday afternoon, Feb. 11th, the Province of the Most Holy Name of Jesus lost a faithful priest and a model religious with the death of Rev. Edward Basil Kenny, O. P., formerly pastor of St. Rose Church, Crockett, Calif. Although Father Kenny had not been well for some time, he had been confined to St. Vincent's Hospital, Los Angeles, only for a few days previous to his death.

Father Kenny was born in San Francisco, March 19, 1880, and received his early education in the local schools. For a number of years, he was an altar boy at St. Dominic's Church, and wishing to become a Dominican, he continued his studies at Sacred Heart College, San Francisco, preparatory to his entrance into the novitiate which at that time was at St. Dominic's Priory, Benecia. At Benecia, he received the black and white habit of St. Dominic, and on October 10, 1899, made his profession. After finishing his studies for the Priesthood, he was ordained June 29, 1904.

After his ordination, Father Kenny was assigned to St. Dominic's, Benecia, where he had spent the previous years preparing himself for his sacred calling. Because of his untiring zeal and earnest efforts, he was soon made pastor of St. Rose Church, Crockett. From St. Rose, he was assigned to the parishes of St. Vincent Ferrer, Vallejo, Calif., Holy Rosary, Portland, Oregon, and, up to a year ago, to St. Dominic's, Los Angeles. Because of his very kindly, sympathetic character, he was well-beloved by, and inspired the confidence of, all the people with whom he came in contact.

The Solemn Requiem Mass was sung at St. Dominic's, San Francisco, Saturday, February 14th, at ten o'clock by Very Rev. A. L. McMahon, O. P., S. T. M., Provincial of the Holy Name Province, assisted by the Rev. J. G. Rourke, O. P., deacon, and the Rev. E. S. Olsen, O. P., subdeacon.

Interment took place in St. Dominic's Cemetery, Benecia. Requiescat In Pace!