

January 24, 1977

Msgr. Aloysius Felling



Msgr. Felling was born Sept. 6, 1914 at St. Joseph, Mo. He was ordained for the Wichita diocese by the Most Reverend Charles H. Le Blond, bishop of the Diocese of St. Joseph, on Sept. 23, 1944, at the Basilica of the Immaculate Conception, Conception, Mo.

Nearly all of his pastoral assignments were in the Dodge City diocese. He served as assistant pastor at St. Mary Cathedral, Wichita, (1944-46), and as pastor at St. Joseph, Beaver, (1946-50).

From 1950 to 1952, when he was pastor at St. Mary, Chase, he also taught chemistry and philosophy at Odin High School. He was appointed to the faculty at St. Mary of the Plains College, Dodge City, in 1952, and served as chaplain of the college from 1953 to 1965.

He was named a domestic prelate Oct. 14, 1964 by Pope Paul VI.

During his pastorate at Immaculate Heart of Mary, Windthorst, (1965-67), he was named the founding editor of the *Southwest Kansas Register* (1966-1971). He served on the staff of the *Register* as assistant to the publisher until his death in 1977.

In 1968 he was appointed temporary administrator of St. Anthony, Fowler, before being named chaplain at St. Anthony Hospital in Dodge City (1968-1971). His last pastorate was St. Andrew, Wright, (1971-77).

Msgr. Felling died at the age of 62 after suffering a heart attack at the chancery office on the morning of Jan. 24, 1977.

Bishop Gerber celebrated the funeral at St. Andrew Church. Burial was in the parish cemetery.