

October 30, 1965

Father Vincent Hughes, OP



Father Hughes was born Aug. 13, 1898 in Boston, Mass. He received the habit of St. Dominic at St. Joseph's Priory, Somerset, Ohio and there made profession on Sept. 16, 1917. He was ordained June 14, 1923, in St. Dominic Church in Washington, D.C.

Being a gifted and responsive student, he early manifested interest in the history of the Church in America and the role the Dominican Order played in its development. His specialized studies at Catholic University of America were completed in the University of Fribourg, Switzerland, where earned a doctorate in philosophy.

Assigned in 1926 to the Studium Generale of St. Joseph's Province in River Forst, Ill., Father Hughes began a career in teaching to which he was principally devoted for the remainder of his life. In addition to teaching in the Studium, he had assignments at Trinity High School, Rosary College and De Paul University, all in Illinois.

Father Hughes was successively appointed Subprior at Holy Rosary, Minneapolis; superior and pastor of St. Dominic's, Denver; and professor at Loras College, Dubuque. When the novitiate was transferred to the new Priory of St. Peter Martyr, Winona, Minn., he was appointed its first Prior.

His remaining teaching assignments were Siena Heights College, Adrian, Mich.; St. Mary of the Plains, Dodge City, where he taught religion and sociology (1952-53); and St. Dominic's College, St. Charles, Ill.

Father Hughes died suddenly Oct. 30, 1965 at the age of 67. He is buried in the Dominican plot in All Saints Cemetery, Des Plaines, Ill.