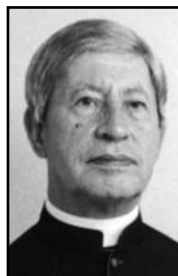


March 15, 1977

Msgr. Anthony Meyers



Msgr. Meyers was born Aug. 16, 1896, in Wadsworth, Ohio. He received his secondary, college, philosophical and theological education at the Pontifical College Josephinum in Columbus, Ohio. He was ordained June 11, 1923, for the Wichita diocese by Archbishop (later Cardinal) Pietro Fumasoni-Biondi, Apostolic Delegate to the United States at the time.

In his first assignment he served as assistant pastor at St. Mary, Newton for six months before being named pastor at St. Catherine, Dubuque (1924-27)

His other pastorates included: Mother of God, Oswego (1927-28), St. Mary, Burns (1928-38); St. Ann Olmitz, (1938-58), St. Joseph, Ellinwood (1958-65), and St. Anthony, Fowler (1965-68).

He was named a papal chamberlain March 9, 1949 by Pope Pius XII and raised to the dignity of domestic prelate by the same Pope on Dec. 25, 1952.

Msgr. Meyers retired from active ministry in 1968 and lived in Spearville. He died at Spearville District Hospital on March 15, 1977 at the age of 80.

Bishop Gerber celebrated the Mass of Resurrection at St. John the Baptist Church in Spearville. In his reflections on Msgr. Meyers' life, Bishop Gerber said, "Every priest shares an anxiety regarding the spreading of God's word, and of the need for more young men and women to enter the religious life." He said the fact that so many had gathered for his funeral was to "reflect his ministry, reflect his service and reflect his dedication to Church and Christ". (SKR March 24, 1977)

Burial was in St. John Cemetery at Spearville.