

**December 24, 1942**

## **Father Jacob Schauf**

Father Schauf was born July 5, 1872, at Holy Cross, Dubuque County, Iowa. He moved to Kansas with his family at age six. His and other families migrated to northern Barton County settling in 1878. The settlement took the name Dubuque and the congregation built its first church on land known as Schauf's corner.



After finishing elementary school, he continued his education at St. Mary's College, St. Marys, Kans.; St. Lawrence Seminary, Mt. Calvary, Wisc., and then Kenrick Seminary, St. Louis. He was ordained June 13, 1903, by the Most Rev. (later Cardinal) John Glennon, archbishop of St. Louis, for the Diocese of Dallas.

He served as an assistant for one year at Sacred Heart Cathedral, Dallas, before receiving his first pastorate.

His pastorates, all in Texas, included: St. Joseph, Waxahachie, with missions at Hillsboro and Mansfield; Sacred Heart, Abilene (where he built a rectory); St. Thomas Aquinas, Pilot Point (where he built a school and convent); St. Joseph's, Marshall (where he built a church, rectory and school); St. Boniface, Scotland; and St. Mary's, Henrietta, with the mission at St. John, Montague.

Father Schauf "was found dead in his room in St. Mary's Rectory on the morning of Christmas Eve, the victim of a heart attack..." (*Southern Messenger*, Jan. 1943)

The Most Rev. Joseph Lynch, bishop of Dallas, presided at the funeral Mass at St. Mary's Church, Henrietta. Burial was in St. Catherine Cemetery, Dubuque, Kans.

Two siblings, Sister M. Germaine and Sister M. Regina, were members of the Sisters of Charity of Leavenworth.

*\*Date inscribed on headstone incorrectly reads Dec. 22.*