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'Father Baker' Anniversary Recalls Post At Corning

Friday, March 12, St. Joseph's, Corning, marks the 22nd anniversary of the ordination of Rt. Rev. Nelson H. Baker, founder and builder of Our Lady of Victory in Lackawanna.

Known simply as Father Baker to millions throughout the world, he was ordained to the holy priesthood on March 19, 1876, by Rt. Rev. Stephen V. Ryan, the second Bishop of Buffalo.

His first assignment as a new priest was to assist Rev. Thomas Hines, superintendent of St. John's Rectory and pastor of St. Patrick's Church, the site of which was fifty years later to contain the world-famed national shrine and basilica of Our Lady of Victory, Lackawanna, was then known as Lim-tone Hill.

Father Baker knew much of Father Hines' trials and tribulations in superintending the Rectory and in "keeping an eye" on St. Joseph's Orphan Asylum across the street which was maintained by the Sisters of St. Joseph. Although his heart was heavy with the assignment, Father Baker accepted his Bishop's wish and order, and drove the seven long dusty miles to "Lim-

Sister Seraphine Rites Conducted

Funeral services for Sister M. Seraphine Glavin of the Sisters of Saint Joseph, who died Monday, March 15, 1948, were conducted in Holy Family Chapel, Nazareth Convent, Pittsford, on Wednesday morning, March 17.

Solemn Mass of Requiem was celebrated by the Rt. Rev. Magr. John F. Glavin of Rensselaer, a cousin of Sister Seraphine. He was assisted by the Rev. George S. Wood, Deacon, the Rev. Donald J. Mulcahy, Sub-deacon, the Rev. T. Paul Murley and the Rev. Joseph L. Hogan, acolytes. The Rev. Leo V. Smith was Master of Ceremonies.

In the sanctuary were also the Rev. Magr. Joseph S. Cameron, the Rev. Joseph H. Goffel and the Rev. "Duke" Eschmier. The last blessing at the grave was given by the Rt. Rev. Magr. John F. Glavin, assisted by the Rev. Charles McCarthy and the Rev. John Roach.

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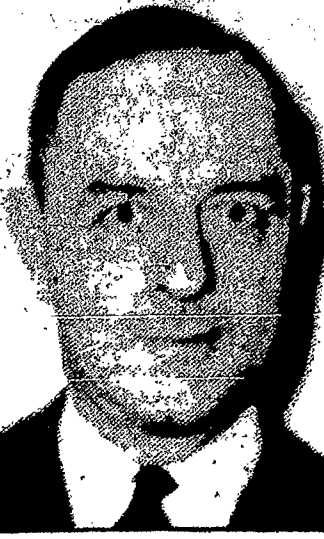
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Father Doyle's Body Returned

The body of the Rev. Neil J. Doyle, First Lieutenant, Corps of Chaplains, U. S. A., and only alumnus of St. Bernard's Seminary to make the supreme sacrifice, has been re-interred with full military honors in the United States National Cemetery, Farmingdale, L. I., N. Y.

Connecticut's hero priest, who was mortally wounded on New

Georgia Island in July, 1943, had been buried in the U. S. Military Cemetery, Guadalcanal, prior to his recent repatriation.

A large delegation of priests of the Hartford Diocese, most of them former chaplains, attended the committal service. The group included the Rev. John F. Culliton of Newtown, also a graduate of St. Bernard's Seminary and who was with Father Doyle at the time of his death.

The military service was conducted by the Rev. Patrick Fay,

Colonel, Corps of Chaplains, U. S. A., after which the grave was blessed and special prayers were recited by the Connecticut priests led by Father Landry.

Father Doyle was ordained May 30, 1935, after making his studies at St. Bernard's here. Among his Rochester classmates who also served as wartime chaplains, were: the Rev. F. G. Thayer, James C. Lane, William F. Gaynor, Thomas Manley, William J. O'Brien and Paul J. Cuddy.

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