

Monsignor Goggin

Following is the text of the eulogy for Monsignor John Francis Goggin, preached by Bishop Kearney at Sacred Heart Cathedral on November 15. Monsignor Goggin died November 15, 1964.

I have personally asked them did it for so many. I venture to say that anyone that today because I am conscious of the fact that there are of very many who might well be chosen to say a few words of tribute to the late Rector of our Seminary.

He was a man who had many apostles scattered all over the country, a man who had intended to be in the field of religious education, and a man who had a large family of his own spiritual children.

Just whom to select was a problem, but because I think that the tribute to Monsignor Goggin is essentially a tribute of thanksgiving rather than anything else, I have asked the privilege of thanking him this morning on behalf of so many people.

Normally we might review the progress of a priest from one church to another. We might point out the various positions in which he has served, the God in the priesthood. We might trace his powerful influence in the public life of the community in which he lived.

But here was a man who lived his whole life in comparative solitude as far as the rest of the world was concerned, consecrated to just one thing: doing what God wanted him to do in the production of apostles, in the training of priests.

First of all I would thank him on behalf of all of you, the majority of whom studied under him. Most of you were brought to the altar by him. There are so many who would not be priests today unless Monsignor Goggin had led them up the altar steps and said to me and my predecessors, "Here, my son, the church asks that you ordain this man to the priesthood."

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GOD LOVE YOU!
By MOST REV. FULTON J. SHEEN

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We in the United States own 48 per cent of the world's wealth and yet we are only six per cent of the world's population. This is like dividing the world's wealth, giving each American \$7.50 and those in the rest of the world only 58 cents. Oh yes! Two or three collections are taken up each year for the millions and millions who starve, but are not these like crumbs which fall from the table? Something radical must be done and not just to save the wrecks of humanity in Latin America, Asia and Africa, but to save ourselves!

We need help more than they do. Certainly, they need bread for their bodies, clothes for their backs, education for their minds, medicine for their ills, but we need to justify our blessings. We need to prove ourselves stewards of God's wealth. We need to be Christians not on Sunday only but everyday because the burdens of others must be carried daily.

Two radical changes are needed. The first is an international Commission in Rome charged with the Missions. The Missions are not territories that once were colonies, but areas where there is need—whether it be in Chile or in Angola. The second change that is necessary is a worldwide system of adoption in which every diocese in the United States and in prosperous parts of the world, as well as every parish, school, hospital, fraternal organization and religious society, adopt a poor area or parish of the world. This cannot be done arbitrarily now, otherwise we will have adoption in one place and poverty in the other. It is for the Church or her international Commission to decide on adoptions—not a bishop or a priest. Equality must be observed and this can be done only by the Church acting as Christ.

Until these two changes come to pass we hope that you will not sleep well. We hope you will worry about how much you could do for the Holy Father and The Society for the Propagation of the Faith. Begin to share with the poor! God love you.

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Msgr. Goggin Funeral Rites

Another characteristic story which points up the genuineness of this man and his devotion to the liturgy of the Church was that in the week before his funeral, he was called to the chancery office and said we were going to have a little ceremony. He would come up to my things carrying his miles, I said, "I would put it on his head and he said, 'There's no such ceremony.'"
I said: "Monsignor, you would like to create a ceremony that's something I have never seen before?" So we created the ceremony and explained what he would do.
He said: "Well, Bishop, it seems foolish."
I answered: "Monsignor, you know St. Paul said something that now and then we have to be fools for the sake of Christ."
And he paused a minute then said: "But Bishop, he didn't say we should do it in front of a whole congregation in the Cathedral!"
However when the time came with the simplicity which was characteristic of his majestic soul, with the simplicity of a child, he went through this ritual which was not in his intense devotion to Holy Mother Church and his deep loyalty to the one who happened to be his ordinary.

He was a great theologian—a theologian of whom St. Bernard regarded as a generation that is passing away, because he had none of the sophistic disdain for the past which characterizes so many of our theological writers today.

He loved the past. He was sensitive to what Catholic tradition had given us. He was sensitive to everything that concerned the production of a priest of whom the seminary would be proud and that would bring credit upon those who years ago had brought the great school into existence.
At the present time of change and uncertainty, when priests and people are being perturbed by changes taking place, even for those of us who are confident that the Holy Spirit will dominate the picture and bring it to a happy conclusion, the remembrance of a man like Monsignor Goggin is well worth having in our minds.

He loved his Church, he loved Catholic scholarship. He loved his theology and above all he loved the men over whom God had made him a father.
And let me tell you this, no man looks more seriously and more charitably at the tremendous responsibility of being the one to decide who would be a priest and who would not be a priest. He met that challenge for half a century; he met it courageously with distinction and honor. And the finest tribute that can be paid to him today is to say that, from my point of view, he gave us a generation of priests of which we can be proud and which, almighty God is very well pleased.

May we then commit him to his final rest with the words that Mark Anthony said over Brutus, and which I tribute to him, we will say in Latin: *Erat hic omnium Romanorum dominus*—He was the greatest Roman of them all.
May he rest in peace.

Funeral Mass and preached the eulogy.
Bishop Kearney offered the funeral Mass and preached the eulogy.
Rev. Msgr. Wilfred T. Crevier, assistant priest, and Rev. Msgrs. Joseph E. Grady and Francis B. Burns were deacons.
Rev. Stanislaus Krolak was organist and Rev. Elmer A. McNamara, subdeacon. Minor officers of the Mass were students of St. Bernard's Seminary.
In attendance were priests from six dioceses, including Rt. Rev. Msgr. John Byrnes of Hartford, Conn.; Very Rev. Msgr. Jean C. Tremblay of Bridgeport, Conn.; Revs. Samuel McCoy and Thomas Shepherd of Buffalo.
From Syracuse diocese: Rt. Rev. Msgrs. William Walsh and Edward Quaid; Revs. Edward Palane, Raymond Wood, John Daley, Francis Zimmer, Eugene Venokke, William Brown, Paul Guerra, John Stark, Charles Borgognoni, William Donovan, Donald Bauer, William Shannon.
Also attending were Rev. Francis Kelly of Altona, John Downey, Very Rev. Msgr. John Clerkin, C.S.S.R., Revs. Charles Schenkel, S.S.R., R.F. McCoy, W.P.P.S., Very Rev. P. J. Sheehy, C.S.B., Revs. Leon Hart, C.S.B., Michael Connor, C.P., and Hyacinth Senemet, O.F.M. Con.
Rochester diocesan clergy in

Bulgar Reds Push Atheism
Vienna — (RNS) — Radio Sofia has begun a new program which will spotlight "prominent atheists over the centuries" and stress the "atheist traditions of the Bulgarian nation."
The first of the series, on the "The Rhetoric of the Atheists," started with the contention that "religious survivals and prejudices are still obstacles to build a sound Communist morality."
One of the speakers described as a "candidate of philosophy science" demanded that "all prejudices and superstitions from the past, including religion, be removed from today's scientific concept of life."
"Bulgarians," he claimed, "have been known for years for their indifference to religion and are rich in atheist tradition." He pointed out that at most all Bulgarian schools had "a chair for atheists, and a sign of parents" to show the "false, hypocritical character of religion."

Buddhism Gains Noted in South East Asia
Hong Kong — (NC) — Buddhism has been gaining a strong hold on young Chinese here during recent years and there are more than 60,000 energetic followers of Buddha in the colony.
This local revival of Buddhism, and its emergence as a more active moral force, is not only in the British Crown Colony of Hong Kong but throughout southeast Asia, as reported by the Rev. Kok Kwong, who became a Buddhist monk in mainland China more than 2 years ago and is now vice-chairman of the Hong Kong (Buddhist-Sangha) Regional Center of the World Fellowship of Buddhists, and director of the Hong Kong Buddhist Association.
He is heading an 18-member good will mission that left here on a two-month tour of southeast Asian Buddhist regions en route to Kathmandu, Nepal, where the World Buddhist Conference will take place on Dec. 5.

"Increased Buddhism — true Buddhism — will make world peace," declared the monk in an interview with N.C.W.C. at his shrine-like offices shortly before his departure. "At previous conferences — and probably again at this one — we have sought ways of unifying in much the same way as the United Nations, but not as a political body, only as an overall religious body."
The Hong Kong Buddhist Association, the main organization here, conducts three schools and a home for the aged. There are about 300 temples and 1,400 monks.
Like Catholics, their main force into force in 2.

Mass Said in Chinese
Taipei — (NC) — Mass with certain parts in Chinese was celebrated here (Nov. 13) for the first time before more than 100 priests of the archdiocese.
Thomas Cardinal Tien, S.V.D., apostolic administrator of the Taipei archdiocese, presided in the sanctuary of the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception.
The Mass was offered by Msgr. John Hu, vicar general. The purpose was to familiarize priests of the archdiocese with the changes resulting from a decree given Aug. 15 by the bishops of Formosa, Hong Kong, and Macao. The decree comes

Portugal Orders Silence On Pope's Trip to India

Lisbon — (RNS) — Portuguese authorities have ordered the Missionary Institute of the Sons of the Sacred Heart of Jesus (Verona Fathers) to suspend all activities in this country.

The action came after Alom Mar (Overseas), a magazine published by the order, had printed an article on Pope Paul VI's forthcoming visit to India for the 38th International Eucharistic Congress in Bombay.

This has been a censored subject in this country since the declaration of Foreign Minister Alberto Franco Nogueira — noting India's seizure of former Portuguese Goa in 1961 — declared that the papal visit should be treated with "dignified silence."

The authorities ordered all copies of the magazine containing the article on the Pope's visit to be confiscated. In addition, they ordered the magazine to suspend publication indefinitely.

Founded at Verona, Italy, in 1867 by Bishop Daniel Comboni, a celebrated Italian missionary who died in 1881, the missionary order began work in Portugal in 1941 and has established centers in Lisbon, nearby Pico de Arcoz, and the provincial cities of Viseu and Leiria.

Foreign Minister Nogueira's statement on the Pope's Indian visit was followed by a statement in a Catholic newspaper here that Portugal was unwilling to accept the Vatican's explanation that the trip to the Eucharistic Congress was a purely spiritual mission.

New Bishop in Hartford
Washington — (NC) — Pope Paul VI has named Monsignor Joseph F. Donnelly of New Haven, Conn. to be Auxiliary Bishop of Hartford.

Bishop-elect Donnelly is pastor of St. John the Baptist church, New Haven, a past president of the National Catholic Cemetery Conference, and a member and official of numerous Catholic and civic agencies.



British Author Wins Award

New York — (RNS) — Barbara Ward, noted British Catholic author and editor, is presented with the Catholic Book Club's 1964 Campion Award for "long and eminent service in the cause of Christian letters." Making the presentation at the club's dinner in New York is Father Harold C. Gardner, S.J., literature editor of the new Catholic Encyclopedia and former literary editor of America, national Catholic weekly. Miss Ward is foreign affairs editor of The Economist in London and has written a number of books on international affairs and other subjects. She is a former national president of the Catholic Women's League in England. In private life she is Lady Jackson, wife of Cmdr. Sir Robert Jackson.

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