

Fr. Thomas Aloysius DOLAN 80 USA TZA

* Nov. 9, 1907 Philadelphia + March 19, 1987 San Antonio, TX

After attending St. Joseph Prep School in his hometown, he entered Cornwells in 1924. He made his profession at Ridgefield Oct. 3, 1930, and was ordained Sept. 3, 1935 in Ferndale, where he had made his senior studies.

His first assignment took him to East Africa, where he labored hard for twelve years in the Kilimanjaro district. We find him listed in various positions at Tanga, Gare, Kibosho and Mbosho.

Returning home in 1948 he stayed briefly at Blessed Sacrament, Philadelphia, and at Holy Ghost, North Tiverton, RI, before being appointed to the South.

There he was to spend the remainder of his life, first at Holy Ghost, New Orleans and then from 1950 to 1957 as pastor of St. Katherine, Leonville, LA. Transferred to St. Joseph's, Herndon, VA, as pastor, he worked there till in 1961 he could resume his pastorate in Leonville for another thirteen years.

In 1974 he received an assignment to St. Anthony's, Natchitoches, LA, as pastor. He worked there until his retirement in 1980, but stayed on in residence and remained active till 1983.

Needing nursing care, he went to Padua Place, San Antonio, TX. He celebrated his golden jubilee as a priest in 1985, and died some time later after surgery. Interment took place at the Cornwells community cemetery.

USA-West Newsletter, April 1987

Archives 30B-11