

Fr. Mahoney dies after long illness

The Rev. George A. Mahoney, OSFS, a native of Wilmington, died Saturday morning at the Tilton Terrace Nursing Home, 801 N. Broom St., after a lingering illness. He was 72.

Father Mahoney was educated in St. Ann's and Salesianum School and entered the Oblate Order in 1914. He studied in the Oblate Scholasticate at Albano, near Rome, where he was ordained in 1925.

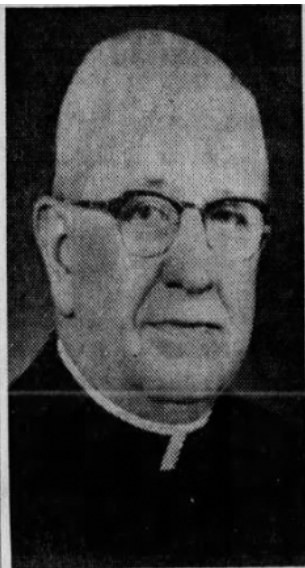
FATHER Mahoney returned to the United States in 1926 and was one of the first oblates to be sent to the newly opened Northeast Catholic High School in Philadelphia. On weekends he came to Wilmington to assist at St. Anthony's Church.

In 1931 he was named superior and principal of the Salesianum School, where he spent six years. In 1937 he returned to Northeast Catholic High School.

In 1943 he was appointed superior of the community at Northeast Catholic. Six years later he was appointed superior and principal of Bishop Duffy High School in Niagara Falls, N.Y., a post he held for seven years. In June, 1956 Father Mahoney was made administrator of Our Mother of Sorrows Church, Centreville, Md., where he remained until his retirement in 1960. He spent a short time as chaplain to Our Lady of Grace Home at Ogletown, in 1970 until illness forced him to enter the nursing home.

FATHER Mahoney is survived by a brother, Francis, of Wilmington, and a sister, Mrs. Agnes G. Van Horn, also of Wilmington.

Vespers for the Dead will be recited at the Salesianum Chapel, 18th and Broom Sts. on Wednesday afternoon at 4, and a viewing will follow until 9 that evening. A concelebrated Mass of the Resurrection will be offered at Salesianum Chapel at 10 Thursday morning, and burial will take place immediately afterward at the Oblate Cemetery, Childs, Md.



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