

ELMDALE, Minn.—Rev. Paul Shurek, pastor of St. Edward's parish here for the past 22 years, was buried in the parish cemetery here Wednesday. Internment followed a pontifical requiem mass offered by Bishop Peter W. Bartholome of St. Cloud.

Rev. Francis Zilkowski, pastor of Our Lady of Lourdes parish, Little Falls, gave the funeral sermon.

Father Shurek was born in Karf, Upper Silesia, March 4, 1892. He took his preparatory and theological studies for the priesthood in Modling, Austria, a small village near Vienna. He was ordained a priest of the Society of the Divine Word on May 20, 1920.

Shortly after his ordination he came to America and was assigned as prefect of discipline at the Divine Word Seminary, Techny, Ill. In 1926 he was appointed a professor at St. Augustine's Seminary, Bay St. Louis, La. During the four succeeding years he served in parishes in St. Louis and Chicago.

He came to the St. Cloud diocese in 1930 and was appointed assistant pastor of St. Joseph's parish, Pierz, for four months before being pastor of Immaculate Conception parish, St. Anna. He also served as pastor of St. Joseph's parish, Morrill, until 1937 when he was named pastor of Holy Cross parish, Harding. In 1940 he was appointed pastor of the Elmdale parish.

Father Shurek returned several times to his native Poland where other members of his family lived. He is survived by a brother, August, two sisters, Eve and Frances, and possibly another brother, Konrad, who is listed as missing in Russia. He also had a lively devotion to Our Lady of Guadalupe and several times made pilgrimages to her shrine in Mexico City.

Ministers assisting at the pontifical requiem mass were: Msgr. T. Leo Keaveny, presbyter assistant; Rev. Anthony Lamusga and Rev. Paul Kunkel, deacons of honor; Rev. Leonard Gaida and Rev. Leo Otto, deacon and subdeacon of the mass. First and second masters - of - ceremonies were Rev. Paul Zylla and Rev. Nicholas Zimmer.

Minor ministers of the mass were Revs. Joseph Fridgen, Alvin Quade, Anthony Kroll, Albert Piekarski, Nicholas Landsberger, John Miller.

Priest pallbearers were: Revs. Francis Bialka, J. Alfred Kroll, Edward Morslander, L. J. Ohotta, Donald Rieder, Elmer Sobieck. Chanters of the office were Rev. Robert Smith and Rev. Harold Kost.