



BIRTH 26 Sep 1872

Louisville, Jefferson County, Kentucky, USA

9 Nov 1950 (aged 78) DEATH

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Louisville, Kentucky was the birthplace of Frank John Auer with September 26, 1872, being his birth date. He was received into the Order in Syracuse, New York, and professed Simple Vows October 4, 1889. After several years of studying philosophy and theology at Trenton, New Jersey, Friar Oderic was sent to Rome. He obtained a licentiate in canon law there. On July 7, 1895, he was ordained to the priesthood. Father Oderic was blessed with fifty-five years of priestly ministry. His early years of priesthood were spent in our parish friaries in the Eastern United States; Hoboken, Utica, Trenton, Albany and Syracuse. In 1914, he was assigned to St. Anthony, Jeffersonville, Indiana. In 1929, he was assigned to St. Ann, Chicago Heights. He also had assignments at Holy Cross, Lansing, St. Anthony, Grand Rapids, and St. Paul, Pleasure Ridge Point. His final assignment was to St. Anthony, Louisville. Father Oderic died suddenly on November 9, 1950, from what is thought to be a cerebral hemorrhage. In the afternoon, he took a walk which was the usual for him. During that walk, he was stricken and sought help at the home of one of the parishioners. Before the ambulance could arrive, he died very quietly while sitting in a chair. Fr. Theodore Eickholtz, the Pastor of St. Anthony, had been contacted and was with him at the time of Father Oderic's death. Father Oderic was the oldest friar in the Province at the time of his death. He retained a good bit of youthful enthusiasm in his old age as well as delightful humor and a simple humility. With sustained health until the end, he was able to enjoy the fruits of his labors in the Order and priesthood.

Gravesite Details

Conventual Franciscan priest