

The Rev. Thomas Stack

Rev. Thomas Stack, 43-year priest of Catholic Diocese

The Rev. Thomas Stack, 72, Hoyt Lakes, died Tuesday, Feb. 24, 1987, in Benedictine Health Center, Duluth. He was a priest in the Duluth Catholic Diocese for 43 years.

He was born in Daugh Kilmorna, County Kerry, Ireland, attended St. Michael's College in Listowel, County Kerry, and also studied philosophy in Mount Melleray Seminary in Cappoquin, County Waterford. He came to the United States in 1938 and attended St. Paul's Seminary in St. Paul.

Father Stack was ordained a priest in 1944 in Sacred Heart Cathedral, Duluth. His first appointment was to Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, Virginia, and in 1950 he received his first pastorates, St. Joseph's in Gnesen and St. Joseph's in Lakewood.

In 1955, he established Queen of Peace Church in Hoyt Lakes. In 1964, he became pastor of Good Shepherd Parish, Duluth, and also served at St. Cecilia's Church in Nashwauk, St. Anthony's in Ely, and St. Joseph's in Duluth. In 1983, he returned as pastor of Queen of Peace Parish in Hoyt Lakes, where he served until his death.

He is survived by three brothers, Michael and Joseph of Ireland and James of Wales, and a sister, Nora Moloney of Ireland.

Visitation will be from 4 to 8 p.m. Sunday, recitation of the rosary by the parish at 5 p.m. and Christian wake prayers at 7 p.m. in Queen of Peace Church, Hoyt Lakes, where a Mass of Christian burial will be celebrated at 11 a.m. Monday. Burial will be in Hoyt Lakes Memorial Cemetery. Arrangements are by the Ziemer-Moeglein Funeral Home, Gilbert.