

Church Crowded for Father Carter Services

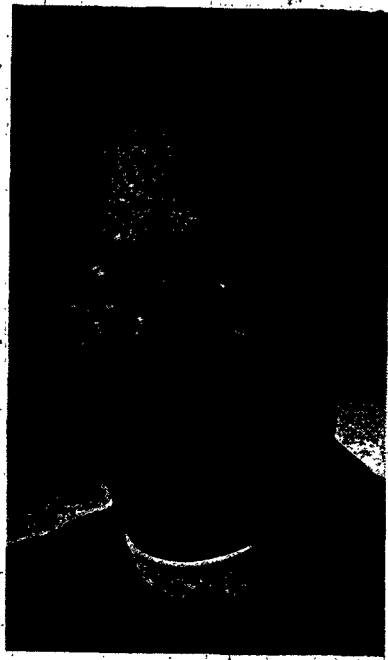
The friends of Father Cyril Carter, CSB, of Aquinas Institute, crowded Holy Rosary Church Monday morning for Mass of the Resurrection.

Bishop Hogan, the presiding celebrant, was assisted by Father Donald Kuder, CSB, and the Very Rev. Joseph Wey, CSB, Superior General of the Basilians.

Father James Cross, CSB, delivered the eulogy for "so good and so universally beloved a priest." The "virtuous behavior of good persons" like Father Carter, said Father Cross, serves as a model for Christians in their struggle with original sin.

"The prime interest of Father Carter," Father Cross said, "was always the other person." He was a "good teacher" whose life exemplified the moral lessons taught by Christ in the Sermon on the Mount.

Father Carter's 29 years of teaching at Aquinas Institute, and "his long and painful



FATHER CARTER

struggle with disease," ended last Thursday at St. Anne's Home. He died on the feast day of St. Cyril of Jerusalem.

Father Cross praised the deceased for his trust and faith in human beings, and especially his confidence in young people. Father Carter, it was well known, never forgot a name or face.

Fewer people, however, knew of the long, careful hours he put into painstakingly preparing lessons for his geometry classes. Many of his grateful former students were among the hundreds who attended the funeral services.

Father Carter retired from the athletic post at Aquinas last spring due to failing health but he continued as a student advisor until December when he entered the infirmary at St. Anne's Home.

He will be remembered by thousands for his gentleness and sincerity and for his intense interest in youth. He was blessed with an extraordinary memory and often delighted former students by recalling their names and incidents from their high school days.

Father Carter achieved renown and leadership in his youth, playing football, baseball and hockey in his native Owen Sound, Ont., Canada, and later at the University of Toronto.

After he graduated from St. Michael's College, Toronto, he entered the novitiate of the Basilian Fathers community. He made his theological studies at St. Basil's Seminary in Toronto and was ordained to the priesthood in 1940. He served two years on the faculty of St. Michael's College School in Toronto and was then appointed assistant athletic director and teacher of mathematics at Aquinas. Two years later he became director of athletics, a post he held until 1970. In 1958 he was awarded a Master of Education degree by the University of Rochester.

Under Father Carter's direction, Aquinas soared to national football prominence with the spectacular teams coached by

Harry Wright in 1946, 1947, and 1948 and by Mickey Connolly in 1949, 1950 and 1951. In those six seasons the Little Irish won 40 of 48 games and drew crowds that established new attendance records in Rochester.

In June of 1967, on the occasion of Father Carter's 25th anniversary as an Aquinas teacher, hundreds honored him at a testimonial dinner at Vince's Fifty Acres. At that dinner were the former Aquinas coaches, Army coach Tom Cahill, Jack Landry who played for Notre Dame and Maj. Don Hollender, an Aquinas football player who went on to become an All-American quarterback from Army. Hollender was killed four months later in Vietnam and Father Carter said the Mass for him in Arlington Cemetery.

Father Carter is survived by two sisters: Mrs. James Love of Owen Sound, Ont., and Miss Velma Carter of St. Catharines, Ont.

Father Carter Stadium?

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the newspaper — when Father Cy's card always arrived: His special Mass for the family.

Then you knew he was seriously ill, and it hurt.

And there was this curious coincidence, his illness, and the impending loss of the stadium Father Cy built. There is something terribly ironic about Father Cy and his stadium: both going down together. They tell me the stadium cannot be saved.

They also tell me that he was not reading the newspaper. I am glad about that. Because it would have been a piercing shot for Father Cy, knowing his stadium was doomed, to read that in the heartless city of New York, its mayor arbitrarily decided to spend \$24 million to save Yankee Stadium for professional baseball and football teams, and CBS. I am glad Father Cy didn't have to read that news before he left the scene. And now I am praying for a ridiculous miracle. The miracle of saving that stadium — call it Father Carter Stadium.

Rome Needs More Churches, Pope Declares

Vatican City — (RNS) — Pope Paul VI urged that church construction be stepped up in Rome.

Remarking that his stress on church building in a city which "tourists find already too full of churches," might come as a "surprise," the Pope said:

"It is a fact, however, that Rome is in a process of continuous expansion, and there simply are not enough churches to accommodate the increasing population."

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Brotherhood Award

Dr. Sterling W. Brown (left), national president of the National Conference of Christians and Jews, offers congratulations to evangelist Billy Graham on Graham's receiving the International Brotherhood Award presented by the NCCJ's Northern Ohio region. Mr. Graham was cited for "unstinting efforts on behalf of the brotherhood of man under the fatherhood of God; for his selfless devotion to individual dignity; for his untiring work to overcome bigotry, and for his steadfast belief in man's obligation to his fellow man." (RNS)

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