



Father Thomas DOYLE
(1919 - 1997)

*Died 10 November 1997, in London (England)
aged 78, with 54 years of Religious Profession.*

Father Thomas Doyle was born on 9 November 1919 in Liverpool. He did his secondary school studies at Montfort College, Romsey. He did his studies for the priesthood at Leagram Hall and Church Stretton. He made his novitiate at St. Joseph's, Ashurst. He made his profession on 8 September 1943, and he was ordained on 13 March 1948.

His first appointment was to teach at Montfort College, Romsey. He is remembered for the pantomimes he produced. He always had a love of music and drama. After twelve years here he moved to Liverpool and then Leeds, preaching missions and retreats.

In 1970 he became the superior of Montfort House, Barrhead, Scotland, which was both a mission house and a junior seminary. In 1973 he went to Liverpool for a year to be assistant priest at St. Joseph's, Blundellsands.

In 1977 he was appointed priest in charge of St. Andrew's, North Baddesley near Romsey. He was there for eight years before a short period as an assistant priest in St. John the Baptist, Andover. In 1986 he became the superior of Montfort House, Liverpool, to look after the sick and elderly priests. In 1989 he was made parish priest of Totton. In 1992 he became the chaplain to St. Mary's Convent in Tooting Bec, south London for a short time before becoming the assistant priest at the Sacred Heart Church, Sittingbourne. This part of his life ended when he became ill and had a period of sick leave in Liverpool. When he got better he wanted to do something again. He went to Nazareth House, Hammersmith, London, as chaplain until it became too much for him and after a period of sickness he became a resident. He died peacefully on 10 November 1997.

He was a very likeable man with a great sense of humour, was very well liked by many people and will be missed.

MAY HE REST IN PEACE